

**FORESTRY, LAND, & OUTDOOR RECREATION COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING # 1 - 2012**

**DATE:** January 11, 2012

**TIME:** 9:30 a.m.

**PLACE:** Committee Room # 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Court House, Rhinelander, WI

**PRESENT:** Chair Baier; Committee Members Martinson; Thompson;  
Berard; Forestry Staff: Bilogan; Bradley.

**OTHERS:** Manny Oradei; Les Felbab; Bill Welsh; Guy Hansen; John Vanney;  
Tim Musson, Dean Schwab,

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**—At 9:01 a.m. Chair Baier called the meeting to order, noting that it had been properly posted in accordance with the procedures set forth by the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

**APPROVE CURRENT AGENDA WITH THE ORDER OF AGENDA ITEMS AT CHAIR'S DISCRETION**—It was moved by Martinson, seconded by Berard, to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion. Motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 7, 2011 FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING**—It was moved by Berard, seconded by Thompson, to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2011 Forestry Committee meeting. Motion carried.

**SILVICULTURE RUNOFF LETTER**—It was moved by Thompson, seconded by Berard to approve Bilogan's letter to President Obama, regarding required NPDES permits for timber operations. Motion carried.

**UPDATE ON LAND TRADE PROPOSAL:**

Discussion was held regarding pros and cons of land trade proposed by Tim Musson. Mr. Musson states he wants the trade for his own recreation, not for possible gravel locations. Bilogan explained that based on the DNR County Forest withdrawal statutes 28.11(11) and the County Forest land acquisition guidelines, it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to justify the land trade proposal submitted by Mr. Musson. Oradai explained Managed Forest process; the state will not approve a trade based on economic value, but environmental criteria. Musson will make his own contacts with DNR personnel to see if feasible to pursue the trade.

**UPDATE ON UTVs USING ATV TRAILS:**

Bilogan stated County would like to participate in the spring, as state's pilot program ends 6/30/12. Possible grant money may be available to upgrade trails to support UTV traffic. Felbab noted his group had opted out due to fears that UTV's wreck trails, however people want them to be included and so his group will opt in; he would like to see more controls to avoid trail damage.

**FOREST MANAGEMENT:**

a) YEAR-TO-DATE TIMBER STUMPAGE REVENUE REPORT—Bilogan reported that the December stumpage revenue was \$248,942.75 and the 2011 year-to-date timber stumpage revenue was \$1,249,022.08. He noted that 50% of annual revenue is earned in the last quarter of the year.

b) TIMBER SALES FOR DISPOSITION—It was moved by Thompson, seconded by Berard, to act on the following timber contracts as follows:

**Contract # 1498** held by **Timberline Logging** was **closed** as satisfactorily completed, and refund full Letter of Credit of \$18,664.38. Motion carried.

**RASTA MOUNTAIN BIKE EVENT FOR AUGUST 3-4, 2012.** It was moved by Tomlinson and seconded by Thompson to tentatively approve camping ordinance exemptions. Motion carried.

**VOUCHERS, BLANKET PURCHASE ORDERS, AND LINE ITEM TRANSFERS**—It was moved by Berard, seconded by Tomlinson, to approve the attached line item transfers and attached lists of vouchers and blanket purchase orders for payment.

Total Line Item Transfers: \$12,000  
Total Blanket Purchase order vouchers: \$1761.95  
Total Individual Voucher payments: \$139,018.33

Motion carried.

**NEXT FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING**—*February 1, 2012, 9:30 a.m.*

**AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE FORESTRY COMMITTEE MEETING(S)**—TBD

**ADJOURNMENT**—With business completed, it was moved by Tomlinson, seconded by Baier, to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. Motion carried.

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GARY BAIER  
CHAIR

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JILL BRADLEY  
RECORDING SECRETARY