

## **FORESTRY, LAND, & RECREATION COMMITTEE**

**DATE: August 20, 2014**

TIME: 6:00 p.m. Lynne Town Hall, Tripoli, WI

PRESENT: Chair Sorensen; Committee Members: Van Raalte, Zunker;  
Forestry Staff: Bilogan.

OTHERS: Town Chair Viegut, Krueger, Scheidebeck, Verholz

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**— At 6:00 p.m. Chair Sorensen 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 Van Raalte, seconded by Zunker, to approve the current agenda with the order of agenda items at Chair's discretion.

### **DISCUSSION BETWEEN THE LYNNE TOWN BOARD AND THE ONEIDA COUNTY FLR COMMITTEE PERTAINING TO MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF WILLOW ROAD.**

Viegut stated that this joint meeting is to continue discussion of the Town of Lynne's request to Oneida County for additional severance payments. The Town reports the additional money is needed to offset the cost of repairs to Willow Road, which is alleged to have been damaged as the result of logging traffic off of the County Forest.

Sorensen said he foresees no increase in severance. He feels there are other ways Oneida County could assist the Town of Lynne with their road maintenance; including material from our gravel pit and cost assistance through the Highway Bridge & Culvert Program.

Verholz noted the State is working on increasing County Forest PILT payments from .30 an acre to .50 an acre.

Viegut questioned if, in fact, the County will not seek payment for material that has been taken from the Wilson road pit for the last few years. Bilogan stated that is the current direction he has received from the Forestry Committee. Sorensen added that the committee is leaning in that direction, but needs to confirm if not seeking payment would be allowed by the Oneida County Corporation Counsel and the DNR.

Viegut asked if additional material could be obtained from the Wilson Road Pit. Bilogan responded that the Committee has directed that the Town may continue to take material from the pit, but only for the repair and maintenance of South Turcott Road. No other material is to be removed by the Town or anyone else at this time.

Bilogan then asked whether the Town was contracting with Arnott to haul rocks and boulders out of the Wilson Road pit for use on town road projects. Viegut responded that he had no knowledge of Arnott hauling rocks for the Town of Lynne or anyone else from

the Wilson Road pit. Bilogan responded that there are surveillance photos of Arnott loading and removing boulders from the pit.

Chair Viegut stated that he would contact Arnott to determine why he was removing the materials from the Wilson Road pit and would direct him to stop immediately. Viegut added he would forward any information he received about this to the Forestry Department as soon as possible.

**ADJOURNMENT.** With business concluded, Zunker moved to adjourn the Forestry Committee. Van Raalte seconded. All aye, meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

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JACK SORENSEN  
CHAIR

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JILL BRADLEY  
RECORDING SECRETARY