



Committee Members Present:

Bruce Paulsen, Ron Buckholtz, Jesse Boettcher, Susie Taylor, Dale Schleeter,

County Personnel Present:

Jay Kozlowski, Greg Peterson, Jessica Kujala, Tom Hoff, Dan Pleoger

Also Present:

Don Mrotek, James Kujala, Cherrie Ahle

Call to Order- Bruce Paulsen Calls meeting to order.

Approval of June 10th Meeting Minutes- Motion by Buckholtz 2nd by Boettcher to approve minutes. Motion carried.

Land Records and County Surveyor Department

Windfall Cemetery Resolution- Dan Pleoger Land Records Director gives a brief over view of his department (Information Only)

Forestry Department

Nordic Kids Storage shed proposal- Forestry Administrator Greg Peterson explains the proposal from the Birkie. They would like to put up a 10x24 storage shed at the "00" trail head for storing items for the Nordic kids programs. Peterson explains to the Committee that he feels this is a good idea and will not affect the county in any way. Motion by Buckholtz and 2nd by Taylor to approve. Motion Carried.

Verso Mill resolution-Peterson speaks to the Committee about the Verso mill closing and explains that this will have a negative impact on our times sales. He presents the Committee with a resolution supporting and pushing for the state to offer assistance to the Verso mill to keep it from closing. He would like to get the boards approval of this resolution and have I sent to the Governor. Motion by Buckholtz, 2nd by Boettcher to approve and send to County Board. Motion Carried

Event Fee Resolution- Bruce Paulsen gives a review of the event fee resolution that he is presenting. He explains that the resolution state that no trail fee will be charged for events using trails on sawyer county forest land. Motion by Boettcher 2nd by Buckholtz to approve and send to County Board. Motion Carried

Update on 15yr plan and Outdoor Rec plan (chapters 100 & 200)- Peterson speaks about chapters 100 and 200, he is waiting on comments from the committee and would like a draft plan approval on both chapter 100 and 200 so that he can put the chapters online for public comments. The item will be on the agenda next month for approval to put chapters on line. (Information Only)

Update on Birkie "OO" land lease/MOU – Tom Hoff gives a review of the topic for the new members of the committee, and explains what these documents outline. Peterson will give a review of the documents next month and present them to the Committee for approval. (Information Only)

Recreational Trails

Motorized- Don Mrotek of the Snowmobile and ATV Alliance gives a brief report on the ATV trails, he also mentions that Discover Wisconsin will be doing a segment on ATV and Snowmobile trails her in Sawyer County.

Non-motorized- None

County Report- Peterson gives a review of current activities in the forestry department.

DNR report- James Kujala DNR forester speaks to the Committee letting them know that the fiscal year 2020 forestry goals for the state have been met and that work has already begun on the 2021 goals. He also states that this year there will be looking at more road projects. (Information Only)

Zoning/Conservation Department

Watercraft Decontamination Ordinance- Zoning Administrator Jay Kozlowski presents to Committee the idea of a County wide ordinance requiring boaters to clean their boats before and after they visit any lake in the County in an effort to stop the spread of invasive species from lake to lake. This idea of an Ordinance was brought to the zoning and conservation department by the Whitefish lake association and the town of sand lake. Kozlowski explains to the Committee that he does believe this is would be a positive thing to do, however at this point it is in the early stages and there would need to be much more interest from other townships and lake associations before it would become a County level ordinance. He also states that is would be a very difficult task to get all of the lakes on board. Kozlowski points out that individual townships can create their own ordinances to enact watercraft decontamination ordinances for their lakes. Kozlowski concludes with saying that the idea of creating this County Wide ordinance will be brought back to the committee at a later date if interest from other townships increases. (Information Only)

County Report- Kozlowski gives a brief report (Information Only)

Adjourned – meeting adjourned