

Rusk County Land and Forestry Committee
Meeting Minutes
December 11, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Rusk County Forestry Committee was called to order at 8:00 A.M., Monday December 11, 2017.

Present from the Rusk County Land and Forestry Committee were: Arian Knops, Pete Boss, Jerry Biller, Phil Schneider and Lyle Lieftring.

Also present: Paul Teska – County Forest Administrator, Ted East – Rusk County Human resource Director, Derek Jochimsen - DNR Liaison Forester, Mike Zimmer – Parks Manager.

Present from the Public:
Bob Grunseth, George Sishman and Daryl Kinnear.

Approval of Minutes:
Motion by Boss/Lieftring to approve November 13, 2017 meeting minutes. Motion carried

- Public Comment:**
- George Sishman reported ATV signs have been stolen. Discussed signing Weigor road.
 - Bob Grunseth is attending an ATV meeting at the George Mead Wildlife area in Milladore, WI.
 - Daryl Kinnear asked about berms installed on logging roads. Paul informed Daryl that they are water bard installed on the logging road because the sale is finished.

- Timber Sale Contracts, Closeouts and Renewals:**
- Contract #2515 – Bruce Burmeister, Motion by Schneider/Lieftring to close out and cancel letter of Credit after final stumpage payment has been made. Motion carried.
 - Contract #2531 – S&S Forestry, Motion by Schneider/Biller to close out and cancel letter of credit after final stumpage payment has been made. Motion carried
 - Contract #2504 – Dustin Nitek, Motion by Schneider/Biller to close out and cancel letter of credit after final stumpage payment has been made. Motion carried
 - Contract #2521 – Lionel Klein, Motion by Lieftring/Schneider to close out and cancel letter of credit after final stumpage payment has been made. Motion carried

Paul informed the Committee that 6-8 timber sales are going and the weather is favorable for the loggers.

Forestry Department Equipment:
Paul gave the Committee the following quotes for ATV/UTV purchase. All quotes include windshield, roof and winch.

ATV: Yamaha Kodiak 450	\$ 5,595.00
Honda 420	\$ 5,600.00
UTV: Yamaha Viking 700	\$11,840.00
Honda 700	\$10,849.75
John Deere 825 Gator	\$12,502.68
Cub Cadet	\$10,575.00

Discussion on the Rusk County Purchase Policy and the guidelines for bids and quotes.

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Motion by Boss/Lieffring to purchase Honda 700 for \$10,849.75. Motion carried.

ATV Trail Development (Highway Invoices):

Paul informed the Committee that the ATV bridge overage from the Highway Department was \$16,086.05 and Highway is paying for the difference.

Break: at 8:45 a.m.

Reconvene: 9:01 a.m.

Perch Lake Campground Bids – 9:00 a.m.:

Motion by Schneider/Biller to close out bids at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried.

Perch Lake Campground Bid:

John S. Olynick	\$12,183.00
Russ Thompson Excavating	\$16,450.00
Rusk County Highway Estimate	\$18,039.60

ATV Serely Camp Road Bid:

Rusk County Highway Estimate	\$14,329.50
Russ Thompson Excavating	\$19,530.00
John S Olynick	\$20,740.00

Motion by Lieffring/Schneider to award:

- John S. Olynick the Perch Lake Campground Bid
- Rusk County Highway the ATV Serely Camp Road Bid. Motion carried.

Review 2017 Budgets:

Discussion held.

Review and Approve Bills:

Motion by Schneider/Boss to review and approve the bills. Motion carried.

Adjourn:

Motion by Schneider/Biller to adjourn at 9:32 a.m. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be January 8, 2018 at 8:00 a.m. at the Law Enforcement Center.