

The regular monthly meeting for Jackson County Forestry & Parks Department was held at 8:30am on November 10, 2015. Those present were: Merlin Fredrickson, John Chrest, Norman Stoker, Karen Thayer, Jerrold Schmidt, Jim Zahasky and Jon Schweitzer.

Chairman Merlin Fredrickson called the regular meeting to order at 8:30am

Motion made by Norman Stoker, seconded by John Chrest approve the minutes from the previous meeting, all members voted in favor.

Motion made by John Chrest, seconded by Karen Thayer to approve the bills as presented for payment. All members voted in favor.

Parks & Trails Report:

Jon updated the Committee regarding work that is occurring in the parks. Crews have been installing vehicle and camper pads at East Arbutus, placing black dirt and seeding down areas in the back of the park. Some raking has also been done. Jon updated the Committee on the progress with the box culvert on Highway 54. A change to the definition of Youth Group in Chapter 13 was also reviewed and it was agreed to make the proposed change in the next ordinance revision.

Forestry Report:

14 tracts of timber were sold on Thursday, November 5, 2015. Total value of the 687 acres sold was \$704,414.44. The average price per acre was up from previous sales at \$1,025.35. A motion was made by Norman Stoker to approve the sales to the highest bidders. The motion was seconded by Karen Thayer, all members voted in favor.

A motion was also made to re-bid tracts 22-15 and 40-15 by Karen Thayer. The motion was seconded by John Chrest, all members voted in favor. Tract 22-15 was pulled due to an error on the sale map. Tract 40-15 did not receive a bid.

Jim reviewed the lighting bids with the Committee. The decision was made to update the shop and outside lights to LED. A motion was made by John Chrest to award the lighting job to Ken Forsting Electric for \$7,340.00. The motion was seconded by Norman Stoker, all members voted in favor.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:30am was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Jerry Schmidt. All members voted in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30am

Next regular meeting date: December 8, 2015

These minutes will be approved at the December Meeting