

The regular monthly meeting for Jackson County Forestry & Parks Department was held at 8:30am on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. Those present were: Karen Thayer, Jerrold Schmidt, Norman Stoker, Tom Clark, Jim Zahasky, Jeremy Breheim

The regular meeting was called to order at 8:30am

Motion made by Norman Stoker seconded by Thomas Clark to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, all members voted in favor.

Motion made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Jerrold Schmidt to approve the bills as presented for payment. All members voted in favor.

Jeremy Breheim presented the parks report in Jon's absence. Work continues on the boat dock at Wazee lake. Trails at Wazee lake have also been groomed and crews continue to split firewood. Advertisement for seasonal parks workers have also gone out.

The bids for the parks UTV were reviewed. A motion to award the low bid of \$7,100.00 to Bignell Motorsports out of Westfield, WI was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Thomas Clark, all members voted in favor.

Jeremy requested permission to hire and fill the Parks Laborer position that will be vacated due to retirement at the end of the February. A motion to approve the request was made by Thomas Clark, seconded by Jerrold Schmidt, all members voted in favor.

A motion to approve applying for the Eurasian Water Milfoil grant was requested. Motion to approve applying for the grant and administering if awarded was made by Thomas Clark, seconded by Norman Stoker. All members voted in favor.

A motion to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(e) to negotiate the purchase of public properties and Wis. Stat. s. 19.85(1)(e), "Deliberating the terms of a tower lease where competitive reasons require the discussion to occur in a closed session was made by Thomas Clark. The motion was seconded by Norman Stoker, all members voted in favor via roll call.

A motion to authorize the Attorney to go forward with what was discussed in closed session was made by Thomas Clark, seconded by Norman Stoker, all members voted in favor.

The meeting reconvened in open session

A motion to approve the amendments to Chapter 13 as presented was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Jerrold Schmidt. All members voted in favor.

A motion to approve the 2018 tree planting bids and award to Superior Forestry Service for \$2,635.00 was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Jerrold Schmidt. All members voted in favor.

Jim discussed with the Committee the 2018 Town Road Grant information. A motion to approve the \$20,000 grant and send out information to the townships was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Thomas Clark. All members voted in favor.

The Forestry department has budgeted for a new full size ½ ton pick-up truck in 2018. A motion to approve the budgeted item and go out for bids was made by Thomas Clark, seconded by Norman Stoker. All members voted in favor.

Motion to adjourn at 11:15am was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Thomas Clark. All members voted in favor.

Next regular meeting date: March 13, 2018

These minutes will be approved at the March meeting