

The regular monthly meeting for Jackson County Forestry & Parks Department was held at 9:00am on Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at the Jackson County Forestry & Parks office. Those in attendance were: Karen Thayer, Ed Chamberlain, Tom Clark, Jerold Schmidt, Norman Stoker, James Zahasky, Jon Schweitzer

The regular meeting was called to order at 9:00am

A motion was made by Ed Chamberlain seconded by Norman Stoker to approve the June minutes, all members voted in favor.

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

Zach Clausing was present from the WI-DNR and gave updates.

Jim presented the Moss Marsh bid results. Three sales sold totaling \$11,470.00. The sales were sold to Hancock Brothers and Deli, Inc. A motion was made by Ed Chamberlain to approve selling the three sales. The motion included the contingency that Hancock Brothers would be current on any previous sales before being awarded the new sale. The motion was seconded by Norman Stoker, all members voted in favor.

Gaylord Olson was present from the Land Conservation Department to discuss rip rapping 800 feet of County property along the Black River, in the town of Manchester. Approximate cost would be \$140,000.00. A motion was made by Tom Clark, seconded by Jerrold Schmidt to table the discussion. All members voted in favor of the motion. Ed Chamberlain abstained from discussion due to the fact that he is the Manchester Town Chairman.

Jim requested permission to go out for bids on a new ATV for the Forestry department. This is a budget item. A motion to approve the request and to look for both electric and gas-powered machines, was made by Ed Chamberlain, seconded by Tom Clark, all members voted in favor.

Jon presented the Parks report. Revenue continues to be ahead of the 2020 season. Parks continues to look for a one-ton pick-up truck that was budgeted for this year. The prison crew is back to work in the parks and has been helpful with beach clean-up and other needed projects. Jon participated in the Patriot exercise in June and it was a successful event. Trails are being groomed weekly. The County O bridge will be up for repair starting on July 26. This will close that section of trail for the remainder of the season. Jon will also be budgeting to purchase a new ATV groomer in 2022.

The meeting was adjourned to attend the Parks tour.

A request from the Wazee Concessionaire was made to host a live band on the beach on July 24. The requested time was from 4:00pm-9:00pm. A motion was made by Ed to approve the request from 4:00-8:00pm on a trial basis. The motion was seconded by Jerrold Schmidt, all members voted in favor.

A motion to adjourn was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Ed Chamberlain, all members voted in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:45am

Next regular meeting date: August 10, 2021

These minutes will be approved at the August Meeting