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JACKSON COUNTY FORESTRY & PARKS MEETING

September 12, 2017

8:30am

Jackson County Forestry & Parks Conference Room

To: *Forestry & Parks Committee*

Karen Thayer, Chairperson

Norm Stoker

John Chrest

Thomas Clark

Jerrold Schmidt

8:30am

Call to Order

Approve minutes from previous meeting

Audit Bills

Chamber of Commerce Report

DNR Report

Forestry Report:

- Bouska property land purchase resolution
- Withdraw land for transmission line
- Logger payment update
- Motion to go into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. 19.85(e) to negotiate the purchase of public properties.

Parks Report:

- Parks and Trails Report – 5 min
- Permission to participate in Statewide ATV/UTV Committee – 5 min
- Crack Filling Quotation – 5 min

2018 Budget Discussion / Lake Drawdown Discussion

Adjourn – next meeting set for October 10, 2017

Cc:	Ray Ransom – Co Board Chairman	Banner Journal	Chamber of Commerce
	Ho-Chunk DNR	Eric Zenz – DNR	Cody Caulum – DNR
	Danny Iverson	Larry Whaley – DNR	Zach Clausing - DNR
	Bulletin Board – Courthouse	www.co.jackson.wi.us	

The regular monthly meeting for Jackson County Forestry & Parks Department was held at 8:30am on Tuesday, August 8, 2017. Those present were: Karen Thayer, John Chrest, Jerrold Schmidt, Norman Stoker, Thomas Clark, Jim Zahasky and Jon Schweitzer

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

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

Motion made by Jerry Schmidt, seconded by Thomas Clark to approve the bills as presented for payment. All members voted in favor.

Jim updated the Committee about potential County forest roads that could be upgraded. A motion was made by Jerrold Schmidt to improve road conditions on 5 County forest roads, the motion was seconded by John Chrest, all members voted in favor.

A motion to approve Jim's request to take a vacation longer than 10 days at the end of October was made by Thomas Clark, seconded by John Chrest. All members voted in favor.

Jim presented the application for the Sustainable Grant to be used to treat 260 acres of oak forest type. The cost to treat is \$180.00 an acre totaling \$46,800.00 and would be contracted with the use of hand tools or boomless sprayers. A motion to approve the application was made by John Chrest, seconded by Thomas Clark, all members voted in favor.

The 2018 budget meeting date was set during the regular meeting and will take place on Tuesday, September 12 at 8:30am.

A motion to go into closed session was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by John Chrest, all members voted in favor.

A motion to resume in open session was made by John Chrest, seconded by Norman Stoker, all members voted in favor.

Jon presented the Parks report. The playground facility at Wazee Lake has been completed. Camping revenue is up significantly from 2016. The entrance sign to East Arbutus has been re-painted and solar lights have been installed at the Wazee Lake restroom facilities. Jon is looking at other options for possible garbage removal contractors for 2018.

Jon hosted the Governor's State Trails Council on Friday, August 4 and toured ORV trails. Work continues on the trail system to repair from storm damage and the Casino trail project is moving forward. Jon will meet with the Town of Brockway to discuss possible re-alignment of West Bauer road due to construction.

The meeting was adjourned to Wazee Lake County Park for a tour.

A motion to adjourn at 12:30pm was made by Norman Stoker, seconded by Jerry Schmidt. All members voted in favor.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:30pm

Next regular meeting date: September 12, 2017

These minutes will be approved at the September Meeting