

## Forestry and Recreation Committee

December 13, 2012

8:30 a.m.

**Members Present:** Vice-Chairman Michael Klimoski, David Solin, Rick Bina, and Sam Hardin

**Members Absent:** Ronald Nye

**Others Present:** Erik Rantala, Dale Carlson, Nathan Gilbert, Terry Poltrock, Mike Leitz, Tom Lazars, Dave Peterson, Andy Kostelny, and Interested Loggers

**Location:** Clover Room, Multi-Purpose Building, Fairgrounds, Antigo

1. Call to Order – Vice-Chairman Klimoski called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.
2. Introductions – Klimoski welcomed all the interested loggers to the bid opening. Rantala explained the process of the timber sale bid opening.
3. Opening of Timber Sale Bids – The bids for the 2012 Fall Timber Sale were all received by the Forestry and Recreation Department at the Forestry Office and in the Clover Room of the Multi-Purpose Building. All bids were received by 8:30 a.m. as advertised. The bids were all opened by the committee and the Forestry and Recreation Department staff, and the total was read aloud by Erik Rantala.

A motion was made by Bina, seconded by Solin to award the bids to the apparent high bidders on all of the fall timber sale jobs contingent on all bid values being correct. All ayes. Motion carried.

There were 24 of 24 sales sold. A total of 148 bids were received from 23 bidders. The grand total of the winning bids was \$1,161,340.25.

4. Minutes – A motion was made by Solin, seconded by Hardin, to approve the minutes of the October 30 and November 23, 2012 meetings. All ayes. Motion carried.

5. Update on VMP Restroom Project – Lazars informed the committee that Nate Heuss had sent preliminary plans to Tradewell Construction for the toilet building to be built at Veteran’s Memorial Park. Their cost estimate was \$138,000. This is for a 20’ x 26’ cement building with flush toilets. There would be three stalls for women on one side of the building, and one urinal and two stalls for men on the other side of the building. Alternates for the building would be an asphalt roof vs. a steel roof and eliminating the overhang over the entrance. Information only.
6. Update on VMP Cabin – Lazars stated that the Elcho School District still plans to build the cabin. The curriculum will be changed so that it will be an extracurricular activity and not part of the construction class. They will also be looking at ways to make the transition from the Elcho school site to Veteran’s Memorial Park move more smoothly. Lazars will also be contacting the White Lake School District to see if they might be interested in working with the Elcho School District to construct the cabin for the 2013-2014 school year.
7. Forestry Department Update – Rantala stated that in October Jackson had informed the committee that Plum Creek Land Company again has land for sale in the Sections of 20, 21, 29, and 31; Township of North Langlade and he had been contacted by their realtor. The area is approximately 2,000 acres and their asking price is approximately \$3.4 million. The committee had requested that Jackson investigate further regarding the entire parcel for sale. Rantala informed the committee that he would be meeting with their realtor and representatives of Plum Creek Land Company next week to discuss the land purchase in more detail.
8. Review Payment of Paid Bills - A motion was made by Solin, seconded by Hardin, to approve the paid Forestry and Recreation Department bills. All ayes. Motion carried.
9. Review Budget Summary Report - Rantala reviewed with the committee the budget summary report of the forestry department revenues and expenditures through November 30, 2012. Motion by Solin, seconded by Hardin to accept the budget summary as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.
10. Set Next Meeting Date - The next meeting will be tentatively scheduled for Thursday, December 27, 2012, at 8:30 a.m., in the forestry office conference room, Fairgrounds, Antigo.
11. Adjournment – Motion by Solin, seconded by Bina to adjourn the meeting at 10:12 a.m. All ayes. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry Poltrock  
Recording Secretary