The meeting of the Rusk County Forestry Committee was called to order at 1:00 P.M., Monday February 15, 2016.

**Present from the Rusk County Land and Forestry Committee were:** Arian Knops, Bob Nawrocki, Phil Schneider, Pete Boss and Jerry Biller.  
**Also present:** Paul Teska – County Forest Administrator, Jerrad Macholl – Rusk County Assistant Administrator, Pat Zimmer- DNR Rusk Sawyer Team Leader, Derek Jochimsen - DNR Liaison Forester, Tony Hauser – County Board and Rich Summerfield – Corporation Council.

**Present from the Public:**  
Bob Burdorf

**Timber Sale Contract, Closeout and Renewals:**  
Pete Boss and Rich Summerfield had meetings with Tim Kafka – Kafka Forestry concerning contract #2423, #2425 and #2426. Discussion on terminating all the contracts and the money that Kafka Forestry is willing to pay. There has been Mutual Release and Termination Agreement that has been agreed by Tim Kafka. Rusk County shall pay to Kafka the sum of $65,689.00 within 7 days of the date of the agreement. The amount represents the total amount being retained less the sum of $3,000.00 which Kafka and Rusk County agree that Rusk County may keep and retain pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. Rusk County shall terminate the Letter of Credit #2423 with River Valley Bank within 7 days of the Agreement.

Motion by Biller/Knops to enter into the Mutual Release and Termination with Tim Kafka and close out Contracts #2423 – Letter of Credit $35,368.63, #2425 – Cash Bond 32,945.25 and #2426 – Cash Bond $35,743.75 (Kafka Forestry). The County will retain $3,000.00 for damages for all sales, return $65,389.00 and cancel the Letter of Credit with River Valley Bank within 7 days. Motion carried. Boss abstained.

**2016-2020 Rusk County Recreation Plan:**  
The 2016-2020 Rusk County Recreation Plan was updated and presented to the Forestry Committee.

Motion by Biller/Nawrocki to approve 2016-2020 Rusk County Recreation Plan. Motion carried.

Discussion on Audie Lake Campground ATV use.

**WCFA Spring Meeting:**  
The WCFA Spring meeting will be held on March 17 and 18th in Marshfield WI,

Motion by Nawrocki/Knops to approve Paul, Phil and Jerrad to attend the WCFA Spring Meeting.

**Adjourn:**  
Motion by Biller/Knops to adjourn at 2:00 p.m. Motion carried.