The monthly meeting of the Rusk County Forestry Committee was called to order at 8:00 A.M., Monday June 21, 2016.

Present from the Rusk County Land and Forestry Committee were: Arian Knops, Phil Schneider, Pete Boss and Jerry Biller. Lyle Lieffring - absent. 
Also present: Paul Teska – County Forest Administrator and Derek Jochimsen - DNR Liaison Forester.

Present from the Public: 
Don Mansky and George Sishman

Approval of Minutes: 
Motion by Boss/Biller to approve May 9, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion carried

Public Comment: 
Discussed ATV trail projects and Beaver control in the County Forest.

Biller excused himself at 8:10 am.

Forestry Department Trucks: 
Jerry Biller is absent and would like input on decals on the Forestry Trucks. 
Motion by Boss/Schneider to table Forestry Department Trucks until next meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Schneider/Boss to bring Forestry Department Trucks back off the table. Motion carried.

Biller would like the Forestry Department to put name on side of the trucks for identification purposes.

Motion by Biller/Boss to decal all the Forestry vehicles with Rusk County Forestry/Parks Department. Motion carried.

Timber Sale Contracts, Closeouts and Renewals: 
Contract #2443 – Hershey Forest Management. Motion by Schneider/Boss to close and cancel letter of credit. Motion carried.

Paul gave the Committee a report on Timber Sale activity.

Biller returned at 8:20 a.m.

Chippewa River C.F. Land Open House: 
Paul is working on a July 30, 2016 Open House/public input for the recently purchased County Forest Land on the Chippewa River in the Town of Thornapple. A map was displayed of the property showing future development ideas. Discussion was held.
2017 Forestry Budgets:  
Discussion on Budget items for the work that has to be done County Forest Land on the Chippewa River. Park Aid Grants will cover 50 percent and the possibilities of the Powerline funds to cover the rest of the cost.

Phil Schneider gave a report on the Summer Tour meeting.

Review and Approve Bills:  
Motion by Biller/Boss to review and approve the bills. Motion carried.

Adjourn:  
Motion by Biller/Schneider to adjourn at 9:34 a.m. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be July 11, 2016 at 8:00 a.m. at the Law Enforcement Center.