The monthly meeting of the Rusk County Forestry Committee was called to order at 8:00 A.M., Monday, June 8, 2015.

Present from the Rusk County Land and Forestry Committee were: Phil Schneider, Arian Knops, Bob Nawrocki, Jerry Biller and Pete Boss.
Also present: Paul Teska – County Forest Administrator, Pat Zimmer – DNR Liaison Forester, Randy Tatur – County Board Chairman.

Present from the Public:
Bob Grunseth

Approval of Minutes:
Motion by Knops/Biller to approve May 11, 2015 meeting minutes. Motion carried

Public Comment:
Bob rode the ATV trails to check on rehab project on Betty Lake Road. Paul gave a report on the gravel crushing and work that will be done on the ATV Rehab Project. ATV trail Clean-up was done in May to take care of safety hazards on the Trails

Timber Sale Contracts, Closeouts and Renewals:
Paul reported to the Forestry Committee the Forestry Department was having problems receiving Timber bonds for the Spring Timber Sales. All Timber Sales Bonds were received prior to the Committee Meeting.

Hervas Landing Road Project:
A Forestry Grant was received by the State in the amount of $110,492.00 to install new culverts, ditch and gravel on the Hervas Landing Road project. Flambeau State is going to gravel to the Skinner Creek Bridge to the County Forest Road and would like the County to do the Hervas Landing Project around the same time. The Town of South Fork and the Town of Cedar Rapids has agreed to put $20,000.00 on the shared Town road after the County and State get done with their portion of the project. Paul also reported on Weigor Road work done to fix spring frost boils. Estimated cost for the work done to fix the Road by Rusk County Highway Department is $15,000.00.

Closed Session – Announced by Chair:
Possible Land Acquisition – Purchase or Trade
Chair announces closed session for negotiating sale of city/county owned property: Deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session, WI Stats 19.85(1) (e).

Motion by Knops/Boss to enter into closed session. Roll Call: Voting Yes – Nawrocki, Biller, Knops, Boss and Schneider. Motion carried.

Also Present: Pat Zimmer – Liaison Forester, Randy Tatur - County Board Chairman.
Entered into Closed Session at 8:41 a.m.

Motion by Nawrocki /Knops at 10:01 a.m. to return to Open Session. Motion carried.

**Review and Approve Bills:**
Motion by Knops/Nawrocki to review and approve the bills. Motion carried.

Motion by Nawrocki/Biller to approve Arian Knops and Dane Gravesen to attend the WCFA Summer Tour meeting in Marinette Wisconsin on July 8, 9 and 10th. Motion carried.

**Adjourn:**
Motion by Knops/Biller to adjourn at 10:02 a.m. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be July 13, 2015 at 8:00 a.m. at the Law Enforcement Center.