The monthly meeting of the Rusk County Forestry Committee was called to order at 8:30 A.M., Monday, June 9, 2014.

**Present from the Rusk County Land and Forestry Committee were:** Phil Schneider, Bob Nawrocki, Arian Knops, Pete Boss, and Jerry Biller.

**Also present:** Paul Teska – County Forest Administrator, Pat Zimmer – Liaison Forester, Randy Tatur-County Board Chairman:

**Present from the Public:**
Bob Grunseth

**Approval of Minutes:**
Motion by Boss/Knops to approve May 5, 2014 meeting minutes. Motion carried

**Public Comment:**
Bob Grunseth informed the Committee that he had a discussion with some Loggers concerning the Rusk County Forest roads and who is responsible for the maintenance. He suggested that the County should be proactive and fix the road when they know there is going to be an active Timber Sale. He also suggested that the Audie Lake and Murphy Flowage campground would be much busier if Rusk County would allow campers to use their ATV’s in the campground.

**Serley Camp Road/Trail Project:**
Paul informed the Committee that he attended the ORV meeting and there would likely be no money for the Serley Camp Road/Trail Project due to no money given out for any Troute Development Projects.

**Timber Sale Bid Opening – 9:00 a.m.**
Motion by Biller/Nawrocki to close all bids on Timber Sale Tract 9-14. Motion carried.

Motion by Biller/Nawrocki to wait until fall to sell Timber Sale Tract 9-14 and advertise with all the other fall sales unless it can be sold direct for the minimum bid. Motion carried.

**Timber Sales Contracts, Closeouts and Renewals:**
No Closeouts.

Paul informed the Committee that revenue for Timber Sales is at $336,186.11 for the year. The County has approximately 2.5 million dollars of Timber under Contract.

**Josie Creek Park Shooting Range Grant:**
The County applied for a $20,000.00 Grant for the Josie Creek Park Shooting Range and has gotten verbal word that the Grant has been approved. Paul is going to bid out the cement work for the project.
Murphy Flowage Campground Well:
The well at Murphy Flowage Campground has tested bad for the last year and the County needs to drill a new well. A DNR specialist and Ron Young have been working with the County trying to get the well to test clean since spring. The Forestry Department would like to work with Kraemer Well Drilling from Weyerhaeuser to drill a new well.

Motion by Nawrocki/Knops to use Parks Maintenance money and to work with Kraemer Well Drilling from Weyerhaeuser to drill a new well and hook the well up to the well house at Murphy Flowage Campground. Motion carried.

Boat Landing Docks Price Quotes:
Big Falls, Josie Creek and Island Lake docks were bid out with specifications. VW Dock bid $13,950.00, $4,650.00 per dock.

Motion by Knops/Biller to accept bid from VW Dock for $13,950.00 for Big Falls, Josie Creek and Island Lake docks. Motion carried.

Forestry Department Staff:
Ryan Benke - Summer Intern and Jonathan Henk - Forestry Technician were hired by the Forestry Department and started working on Monday, June 2.

Review Bills:
Motion by Boss/ Nawrocki to review the bills. Motion carried.

Adjourn:
Motion by Knops/Biller to adjourn at 9:28 a.m. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be July 14, 2014 at 8:30 AM at the Law Enforcement Center.