The monthly meeting of the Rusk County Forestry Committee was called to order at 8:22 A.M., Wednesday September 7, 2016.

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

**Present from the Public:**
Don Mansky, George Sishman and Bob Grunseth

**Approval of Minutes:**
Motion by Schneider/Boss to approve August 9, 2016 meeting minutes. Motion carried

**Public Comment:**
Rusk Riders ATV Club will be sponsoring ATV ride (Veterans Ride) from Ladysmith. Not on ATV Trails.

**Timber Sale Contract, Closeouts and Renewals**
- Contract #2446 – Kreier Forest Product. Motion by Schneider/Boss to close out and cancel letter of credit. Motion carried.
- Contract #2492 – Peter Kron. Motion by Schneider/Boss to close out and cancel letter of credit. Motion carried.

**Vacho Trucking – Contract #2481 finance charges:**
Motion by Schneider/Boss to deny request, forgiveness of finance charges to Contract #2481, Vacho Trucking. Motion carried.

**Ben Marquardt/Marquardt Trucking timber sales:**

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Paul is to inform Ben Marquardt/Marquardt Trucking that if he defaults on Timber Sale Contracts, Rusk County will draft on all Letter of Credits. Committee will review in October if there has been no action taken.

**Direct Sales:**
Motion by Schneider/Boss to sell direct Tract #28-16 Oak Wilt Salvage sale to Kreier Forest Product. Motion carried.

Paul gave an update on ATV trail graving on the Rehab project and the problems with the Serley Camp ATV Development Project.
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Timber Bid Opening:
Motion by Schneider/Boss to close all Timber Sale Bids at 9:00 a.m. Motion carried

Bid Winners:  Total Bid Value
Tract 26-16 Darin Duncan $21,100.00
Tract 27-16 Futurewood Corp $24,778.90

Motion by Schneider/Boss to approve all apparent high bidders for Timber Sales received. Motion carried.

Motion by Schneider/Boss to approve Fall Timber Sale Ad and add 2 Blowdown sales, Tract 24-16 and 25-16 and advertise. Motion carried.

Motion by Schneider/Boss to give a 1 year extensions to any current Timber Sale Contracts for any successful Timber Sale Contract bidder on these 2016 Blowdown Timber Sales.

Motion by Schneider/Boss to sell direct Tract #18-16 Blowdown Timber Sale on Betty Lake Road to Kreier Forest Product. Motion carried.

Chippewa River C.F. Land:
Discussion held on New Chippewa River Land on Planting trees and the Public survey results from the Open House.

2017 Forestry Budgets:
Discussed of 2017 Forestry Department Program Budgets and Line Item Budgets.

Motion by Boss/Schneider to send budgets to Finance Committee. Motion carried

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

Adjourn:
Motion by Schneider/Boss to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Motion carried.

The next meeting will be Monday October 10, 2016 in the Law Enforcement Center at 8:00 a.m.