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1. John Farrell
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4. Richard Combs
Proceedings of a Special Field Meeting of the Marquette County Forestry Commission held on November 13, 1978, at 4:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Peter Nurmea, Mr. Rudolph Kauppila and Mr. Ivan Fende
Absent: None

The Commission met at the intersection of County Roads 480 and 553 and then proceeded to the sites of the various 1978 Jackpine cutting areas. The meeting was recorded by Wesley Wentela, Secretary, who accompanied the Commission on the field inspection.

Public notice of this meeting was given pursuant to provisions of Act No. 267, P. A. of 1976, by having a notice posted on the Bulletin Board located in the main lobby of the Road Commission Office Building.

1978 Sale Areas #1, #2, #3 & #4 were inspected by the Commission. It was found that the tree stumps were generally cut very low to the ground, the brush was scattered and cut up satisfactorily which resulted in the scattering of the jackpine cones, and the soil was scarified real well. It was the opinion of the Commission that it appears that the 1978 type of harvesting will provide a very satisfactory method of natural reforestation.

No other persons were present at the site of the origination of the tour to make any public comments or visit the 1978 cutting sites with the Commission.

There being no further business presented, the tour and meeting terminated at 5:30 p.m.

Peter M. Nurmea, Chairman

Wesley Wentela, Secretary
Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Marquette County Forestry Commission held at 4:00 p.m., Monday, October 30, 1978, at the Road Commission Office, North Second Street, Ishpeming, Michigan.

Present: Mr. Peter Nurmela, Mr. Rudolph Kauppila and Mr. Ivan Fende
Absent: None
In Attendance: Wesley Wentela, Secretary and Clark Lebo, County Forester

Public notice of this meeting was given pursuant to provisions of Act No. 267, P. A. of 1976, by having a notice posted on the Bulletin Board located in the main lobby of the Road Commission Office Building.

The Secretary read the minutes of the July 17, 1978 and May 15, 1978 meetings and on a motion by Mr. Fende, supported by Mr. Kauppila and carried, the minutes were approved as read. The cash balance and interest bearing deposits of the Forestry Fund as of October 1, 1978 were reviewed.

On a motion by Mr. Kauppila, supported by Mr. Fende and carried, the vouchers and bills as presented were approved and the signatures of the Commission members were affixed thereto. (See attached schedule).

No persons were present to speak during the time allocated for the first public comment portion of the meeting.

The 1979 budget for the Board of Marquette County Commissioners which included a transfer of Forestry Commission funds in the amount of $25,000 to the County General Fund was discussed. On a motion by Mr. Fende, supported by Mr. Kauppila and carried, the Commission went on record that they wished to be included in the review of the 1980 County budget so that they may discuss forestry activities before the appropriate County officials.

The Secretary informed the Commission that a representative from Mead Paper called today requesting permission to cut approximately 10 to 15 jackpine trees from Sections 21, 27, 33 & 34, T46N-R25W for the purpose of extracting choice seeds from the cones of these trees which will be used in research being conducted in their greenhouse project. On the recommendation of the County Forester, it was moved by Mr. Kauppila, supported by Mr. Fende and carried that the Commission cooperate in this project subject to Mead Paper providing the Commission with a report on the results of their findings on this research project.

An agreement with Mr. John E. Rahilly who owns a 1/10th interest in the N 1/2 of the SW 1/4 of Section 12, T44N-R25W (1978 Sale Area #3) was reviewed. Mead Paper will be completing their cutting operations in this area this week and in accordance with the provisions of the agreement executed with Mr. Rahilly on August 24, 1974, re-imbursement would be made to Mr. Rahilly at the rate of ten per cent (10%) of all revenues received for the cutting of this timber at the stumpage rate of $10.00 per cord. The high bid received for the sale of
the jackpine timber in this cutting area was $21.00 per cord and the Commission agreed that Mr. Rahilly should be reimbursed on the basis of 10% of all the stumpage received as he is 1/10th owner of the property. When remitting the stumpage payment, the Secretary was directed to contact Mr. Rahilly on the possibility of acquiring his 1/10th interest. The County of Marquette owns the remaining 9/10th interest in the property. It should also be pointed out to Mr. Rahilly that after the 10-year harvesting program which is stipulated in the agreement is completed, it will be many years before any further harvesting will take place on this property.

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Mr. Clark Lebo, County Forester, submitted the following verbal report on forestry operations:

a) Mead Paper has completed their cutting operations in 1978 Sale Areas #1, #2 and #4. Cutting operations will also be completed in 1978 Sale Area #3 this week. The trees were cut with an approximate 1" stump above the ground level, skidded in whole tree lengths which resulted in very good scarification.

b) It was recommended that approximately 1,600 cords of jackpine be harvested in 1979 as it appears that the market will be very favorable. A decision on the type of cutting method that should be specified in the bids will be determined after the Commission inspects the 1978 block type cutting in their special field meeting that is scheduled for 4:00 p.m., Monday, November 6, 1978.

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On a motion by Mr. Fende, supported by Mr. Kauppila and carried, the following dates were selected as the regular meetings of the Forestry Commission for 1979:

- May 14, 1979 4:00 p.m. Road Commission Office
- July 16, 1979 2:00 p.m. Field Meeting
- August 13, 1979 4:00 p.m. Road Commission Office
- October 29, 1979 4:00 p.m. Road Commission Office

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No persons were present for the second portion of the meeting allocated to public comment so the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Peter M. Nurmela, Chairman
Wesley Wentela, Secretary
MARQUETTE COUNTY FORESTRY COMMISSION

BILLS AUDITED AND ORDER PAID ON THE 30th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1978

Voucher No. 368  Peter M. Nurmela  41.60
369  Rudolph Kauppila  48.32
370  Ivan J. Fende  45.44
371  Clark A. Lebo  542.00
372  Marquette County Road Commission  179.64
373  Peter M. Nurmela  40.48
374  Rudolph Kauppila  41.60
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Approved:

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Peter M. Nurmela, Chairman

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Ivan J. Fende, Vice-Chairman

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Rudolph Kauppila, Member
Proceedings of a regular meeting of the Marquette County Forestry Commission held at 4:00 p.m., Monday, May 15, 1978, at the Road Commission Office, North Second Street, Ishpeming, Michigan.

Present: Mr. Rudolph Kauppila, Mr. Peter Nurmela and Mr. Ivan Fende
Absent: None
In Attendance: Wesley Wentela, Secretary and Clark Lebo, County Forester

Public notice of this meeting was given pursuant to provisions of Act No. 267, P. A. of 1976, by having a notice posted on the Bulletin Board located in the main lobby of the Road Commission Office Building.

The Secretary declared that nominations for election of officers were in order and on a motion by Mr. Fende, supported by Mr. Kauppila and carried, Mr. Nurmela was elected to serve as Chairman for the calendar year 1978. On a motion by Mr. Kauppila, supported by Mr. Nurmela and carried, Mr. Fende was elected to serve as Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

On a motion by Mr. Fende, supported by Mr. Kauppila and carried, the minutes of October 31, 1977 meeting were approved as mailed to each Commissioner.

The cash balance and interest bearing deposit of the Forestry Fund as of May 1, 1978 was reviewed. Following a discussion on the amount of the cash balance that should be available, it was moved by Mr. Nurmela, supported by Mr. Fende and carried that the normal cash balance should be approximately $5,000. The present policy has been to maintain a cash balance of approximately $2,000 to $3,000 for operating expenses. The Commission was of the opinion that a larger balance should be maintained and be available for the purchase of land and for modification of the present rolling chopper used for reforestation purposes.

No persons were present to speak during the time allocated for the first public comment portion of the meeting.

On a motion by Mr. Kauppila, supported by Mr. Fende and carried, the vouchers and bills as presented were approved and the signatures of the Commission members were affixed thereto. (See attached schedule).

The County Forester presented a list of proposed jackpine cutting areas for consideration by the Commission. These sale areas are as follows:

1. Sale Area #1 - Approximately 300 cords of jackpine in the SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4 of Section 33, T46N-R25W, Sands Township
2. Sale Area #2 - Approximately 300 cords of jackpine in the N 1/2 of the N 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of Section 34, T46N-R25W, Sands Township
3. Sale Area #3 - Approximately 600 cords of jackpine in the N 1/2 of the SW 1/4, Section 12, T45N-R25W, Forsyth Township
4. Sale Area #4 - Approximately 350 cords of jackpine in the NE 1/4 of the NW 1/4, Section 3, T45N-R25W, Forsyth Township
The Forester also recommended that a date of November 13, 1978 be set as the completion date for these cutting areas. It was moved by Mr. Kauppila, supported by Mr. Fende and carried that bids be opened on May 31, 1978 for the sale and cutting of the jackpine in the above areas and that the recommendation of the Forester regarding the completion date be incorporated into the cutting specifications.

A letter from the Chairperson of the Board of Marquette County Commissioners was read wherein a County Policy Maker's Conference has been scheduled at the Court House Annex for Saturday, June 3, 1978. On a motion by Mr. Kauppila, supported by Mr. Fende and carried, Commissioner Ivan Fende was selected as the authorized representative of the Forestry Commission for this meeting.

An excerpt from the minutes of the Environment, Lands and Building Committee meeting of April 27, 1978 was read and discussed which pertained to a proposal that a County Forester be funded by the Soil Conservation District, Department of Natural Resources and the County for the purpose of conducting a forestry improvement program. No action was taken by the Commission as this matter was presented as an informative subject at this time.

Mr. Clark Lebo, County Forester, submitted the following verbal report on forestry operations:

   a) Mead Paper Company has completed its cutting operations on 1977 Sale Area #3 which was harvested under the clear cutting method with a yield of approximately 521 cords of jackpine pulpwood.

   b) A proposal from Lake States Wood Preserving, Inc. for 1,000 Red Pine poles was discussed. The Forester recommended that the proposal be rejected and it was moved by Mr. Kauppila, supported by Mr. Fende and carried that the Forester notify Lake States Wood Preserving, Inc. that the Commission is not interested in the proposal at this time.

   c) All the work has been completed in encircling the 1978 sale areas with yellow paint and maps have been prepared and are available to interested bidders.

No persons were present for the second portion of the meeting allocated to public comment so the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Approved:

Peter M. Nurmela, Chairman

Wesley Wentela, Secretary
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