

Poland Municipal Forest Board Meeting Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by the Chair.

Board Members Present:

Bob Elias

Chris Graff, *Village Council Representative*

BJ Sulka

Mark Thompson

Elinor Zedaker, *Chair*

Board Members Excused:

James Brammer

Ian Renne

Quorum: Yes

Approval of the minutes from both May and June:

A motion to approve the May 24, 2022 minutes made by Elias, seconded by Thompson, all said aye.

A motion to approve the June 28, 2022 minutes made by Graff, seconded by Sulka, all said aye.

Finance Report: An unencumbered balance of \$13,283.05 was reported by Elias. He also reported that expenses were paid \$240.02 for fuel, and \$399.61 for trail markers. Thompson reported that the Poland Municipal Forest Foundation made a payment of \$26,000 toward the amount they agreed to subsidize as part of the ODNR grant. A motion to approve the finance report was made by Thompson, seconded by Sulka, all said aye.

Updates: Thompson reported that we have updated the ODNR contracts on projects in the forest. We are waiting on timelines for the work to begin. He also noted that no volunteer work has been done in the last few weeks due to other summer obligations by most of the volunteers. The Western Reserve Joint Fire District cleared a couple of trails as part of their training. Graff remarked that he will install the remaining doggy waste station and would welcome any volunteers to help. Zedaker commented there may be an Eagle Scout candidate interested in the installation of a deer enclosure.

Other Business: Graff asked for an update on the CXT Comfort Station due to the fact that a portion of the public knows nothing about it. Thompson reviewed the new comfort station design that will be built by CXT. They need a three month lead time.

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Comments from Village Residents:

A resident asked about the educational use of the forest and the email sent to members of the Forest Board from the solicitor. Zedaker responded that the matter was under advisement. Board member Elias remarked that we should wait for all board members to be present to discuss the issue. Thompson agreed that all members should be present. Graff mentioned the possibility of a special board meeting.

Closing remarks by Board: None

At 7:28, a motion to adjourn was made by Thompson, Renne seconded. All said aye.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at 7:00pm