



Arch Cape Forest Management Committee Meeting – Minutes

April 11, 2023

Time: 04:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Recording:

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Attendees from Committee: Michael Manzulli, Pat Noonan, Clark Binkley
Contractors Present: Ben Hayes (Springboard Forestry), Daniel Wear (Sustainable Northwest).
Public Attendees: Bill Campbell, Reed Morrison, John Mersereau

Meeting Agenda

4:00 PM: March Meeting Minutes Approval. (5 min)

- Pat proposed two changes, adjustment of March Minutes Title to note it's an agenda & to confirm that there was only to be one signage structure proposed.

Clark motion to accept revised minutes, seconded by Mike. Approved Unanimously

4:05 PM: General Agenda (55 min)

- Arch Cape Forest Budget (SNW)

Budget examined and viewed, no action or movement

- Contract Bids (Springboard)

Ben presented 5 bidders for Thinning bids, recommended D&D Forestry

Clark confirmed it makes sense to move with D&D, recommended that Ben/ Springboard join and supervise initial cuts & work.

Clark, motion to recommend D&D, seconded by Mike. Approved Unanimously

Road Bids: Discussion between Warrenton Fiber & Scott Land and Timber. Similar in price, with Warrenton remaining most local. No ARPA requirements for awarding funding to low bidder beyond a note upon rational of bidding decision work. Warrenton Fiber also has more equipment available.

Clark: If these firms are providing emergency services, which would be more easily able to provide support.

- Warrenton Fiber has staff and equipment closer to the area.
- Clark – given that the costs are identical, lowering the risk (IE choosing Warrenton) would lessen the risk to water quality.

Motion to approve Warrenton Fiber as bid for the Road Bids by Clark, seconded by Mike. Approved Unanimously.

Ben to notify all awarded parties and then will provide a memo to the board, requesting an earlier start date than the proposed June Date.

- Site access evaluation criteria (SNW)

Remove #7, concern around increasing awareness of ACF to broader public.

Clark: What are the risks – are there also risks to participants, is there a way to evaluate the nature of the group and the suitability of the group. Make sure that a tour should not provide risk to the **participants themselves**

- Lead with #1 as the “Risks to the people”

Daniel to redraft with Clark, and provide a final set of criteria to manage the approval process for future tours of the Arch Cape Forest.

- Obligation from the water district is a goal to “do no harm”
- Development of a Stewardship Fund (SNW & Springboard)

Ben: Scenario which utilizes a stewardship fund approach in the growth and yield model.

- Currently ~\$390,000
- If private money is available to support what we are doing, we should go after it – Clark.
- Clark – do we need more upfront money, or steady flow of cash that we can spend.

Do we want an endowment model or a subscription model?

Only possible because we have such a significant funding source available for differed maintenance.

Expressed interest to include stewardship fund in financial modeling.

- Update on financial plan and growth/ yield modeling.
 - o Have files and preliminary results for growth and yield scenarios.
 - o Have a contractor, and an update for more information in Late May/ Early June.

Next Meeting – Ecological Road Assessment to be finished during the next meeting.

- Conservation Plan inclusion.
- Public Comment
 - o Public Comment – How long would Springboard be spending of his time.
 - A portion of thinning and road work is included in Springboard’s contract, time was allocated.

- John M: Thanks everyone on the committee for moving the forest management forward well. Very important to include a stewardship fund, John interested in seeing the development.
- Reed Morrison: Are the tours vehicle tours. Ben H:

Next Meeting – Monday, May 15

5:00 PM: Adjourn

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