

**Minutes of the November 27, 2024 Special Meeting of the Sawyer County
Land, Water & Forest Resources Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Board Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members (X) Present:

- ☒ Chair: John Suralski
- ☒ Vice Chair: Steve Kariainen
- ☒ Kay Wilson
- ☒ Randy Neumann
- ☐ Vacant

Liz Klein
Lynn Fitch- Virtual
Kathy Marks- Virtual

Jay Kozlowski
Brian DeVries

Others Present:

Andy Albarado
Ron Kinsley
Atty. Rebecca Roeker-
Virtual
7 Citizens
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Call to Order – Chair Suralski called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call was taken; a quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda – Set

Public Comments –

Rhonda Eisold, Robert Johnson, Greg Eisold, Linda Zillmer, Lynne Amundson, Holly Robbins, Martin Hanson. Emails from Jim Kosinski, Randall Armsbury, Tonya Armsbury, Stephen and Mary McIntosh were read into the record.

Minutes from the previous meeting dated: November 6, 2024

Motion to approve made by: Mr. Kariainen Second by: Mr. Neumann

Motion carried without negative vote.

Review and Possible Action- Callahan and Mud Lake District Petition –

Mr. Albarado summarized the process for creating a Lake District and outlined steps taken by County staff to prepare the draft report. Atty. Roeker stated that the duty of the LWFRS is to evaluate the report for consideration by the full County Board. The report will contain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law when complete. Atty. Roeker walked the committee through the draft report and committee members considered citizen and legal concerns.

The LWFRS identified three areas they want to see added to the report for reconsideration at the December 11, 2024 meeting: a boundary map showing the parcels of those who asked to be removed, a statement that legal requirements were met regarding the boundary map and legal description, and staff analysis of the validity of petition signers showing the percentage in favor if insufficient signatures are removed.

Motion to reconsider the report with revisions on December 11, 2024 by: Mr. Neumann Second by: Ms. Wilson
Motion carried without negative vote.

Future Agenda Items -- None

Board Appointed Committee Updates -- None

Adjournment – 10:27 am

Next Meeting: December 11, 2024 Time: 8:30 am
Minutes recorded by Liz Klein, Elected Officials Deputy

Location: Board Room