

RESOLUTION 61-08

WITHDRAWAL AND SALE OF COUNTY FOREST LAND LOCATED IN THE TOWN OF STERLING

WHEREAS, consistent with the Polk County Forest Comprehensive Land Use Plan, on-going efforts are to be made by the County Forest administrator under the direction of the Property, Forestry and Recreational Committee to consolidate the County Forest Boundaries; and

WHEREAS, efforts to consolidate the County Forest may require certain parcels of County Forest lands that are outside the blocking areas to be sold; and

WHEREAS, the Governor Knowles State Forest is interested in acquiring a 40 acre parcel having the following legal description: SESE of Sec. 5, T36N, R20W.; and

WHEREAS, the County must submit an application and gain approval from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources before any County Forest Land may be sold; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of Polk County that the proceeds from the sale of this parcel be deposited into a Non-lapsing - interest bearing County Forest Land acquisition account, which will to be used for purchasing other parcels to be added to the County Forest and for improvements to newly acquired county forest lands, that include, but are not limited to, access and parking areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Polk County Board of Supervisors authorizes the submission of an application for withdrawal of the lands described herein from the County Forest at the instance of the Property, Forestry and Recreational Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors authorizes, upon WDNR approval of said withdrawal application, the Property, Forestry and Recreational Committee to sell on behalf of Polk County the aforementioned land in the Town of Sterling to the Governor Knowles State Forest at a price equal to or greater than the appraisal value, as determined by an appraisal that will be conducted and paid for by the State of Wisconsin.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Polk County Board of Supervisors creates a Non-lapsing - interest bearing County Forest Land acquisition account and the proceeds from the sale authorized in this resolution shall be deposited into said account and be used for the acquisition of additional lands to the County Forest and improvements to such newly acquired lands.

Funding Amount _____ Funding Source _____
Finance Committee advised _____ Effective date Upon passage

Approved as to form: Jeffrey B. Fuge
Jeffrey B. Fuge, Corporation Counsel

Date Submitted to County Board 8/19/08 County Board Action Adopted.

SUBMITTED BY: Walter Hansen

[Signature] 7/7/08

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