

Deer Management Committee Meeting
August 17, 2016
3:00 pm
Conference Room D

Voting Members

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Advisory Members

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Mel Dow, Interfaith Food Pantry of Portage County, 821 Sixth St., Plover, WI 54467, 715-
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Greg Klug, Culler, 715-340-7231.

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Present: Chairperson John Okonek, Members Randy Orlikowski, Roger
Trzebiatowski, Elbert Rakow, Alder Mary Kneebone, and
Comptroller/Treasurer Corey Ladick.

Excused: Barb Jacobs.

Also present: Mel Dow and Cullers Greg Klug and Raffe Hulce.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Chairperson Okonek. The Chair indicated a quorum was present. Discussion on the sole culling bid received resulted in a motion by Roger Trzebiatowski to accept the bid submitted by Mr. Greg Klug, seconded by Alder Kneebone. Ayes five, abstentions 1, nays none.

There have been several complaints about nuisance deer but all were out of season so no culling activity ensued. When a culling request is made to the City, it becomes the responsibility of the culler to contact the individual making the request. The culler will get tags from Randy and will submit the properly completed tag information with the deer to People's Meat Market processing. Mel Dow will pick up the tag when the venison is picked up for donation to the Interfaith Food Pantry of Portage County. Mel

will get the tags to Randy who will notify the DNR. So the culler keeps a copy, the Food Pantry keeps a copy and the Deer Management Committee gets a copy of each tag used. The culler must notify the Stevens Point Police Department when they will be culling to avoid unnecessary police reports of illegal hunting in the City. If the culler finds a wounded deer, the culler will be responsible for contacting the Police Department for disposition. The location of the cull should be noted on the tag so the Committee can tack nuisance deer interactions in the community.

The culler will submit a monthly invoice which lists the tag numbers used to the Deer Management Committee for approval for payment. The first bill will be submitted at the end of October and will include any deer culled in September.

Ald. Kneebone agreed to do the paperwork for a Wisconsin DNR Urban Wildlife Damage Abatement and Control Grant application to offset some of the culling and processing costs. The grant will also include a request for dog and owl silhouettes to abate the nuisance caused by the geese at Pfiffner and Bukolt Parks. The grant cycle opens October 1 and closes December 1, 2016.

The meeting adjourned at 4 pm.