

GOGEBIC COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Public Hearing Minutes
January 23, 2019
County Courthouse
Bessemer, MI 49911
5:00 P.M.

Public Hearing

Present: (6) Bonovetz, Bryns, Laabs, Orlich, Peterson, Siirila
Absent: (1) Balduc (resigned effective 1/14/2019)

Chairman Siirila welcomed those in attendance to the Public Hearing and then read the purpose of the Hearing.

A motion was made by Bonovetz, supported by Orlich and carried by unanimous voice vote to open the public hearing.

The Gogebic County Board of Commissioners will hold a public hearing for the purpose to hear public comment on conveyance of municipal forestland formerly subject to a revisionary interest in exchange for property of equivalent fair market value for the purpose of county land consolidation and securing public access.

The purpose of the hearing is to receive any comment from the public regarding conveyance of municipal forestland formerly subject to a revisionary interest in exchange for property of equivalent fair market value for the purpose of county land consolidation and securing public access.

Gogebic County is a municipal entity to which a revisionary interest in municipal forestland has been relinquished pursuant to a Quit Claim Release of Municipal Forest Reverter dated November 2, 2018, between the Department of Natural Resources for the State of Michigan, as Grantor, and Gogebic County, as Grantee, recorded November 20, 2018, at Liber 617, Page 369, Gogebic County Register of Deeds.

The municipal forestland is located in Township of Wakefield, County of Gogebic, Michigan and more particularly described as:

Parcel 1: T49N-R45W Section 36, N1/2 of SE ¼ (80 acres)

Parcel 2: T48N-R45W Section 10, NW ¼ of NW ¼ (40 acres)

Current Use: Parcels 1 and 2 are currently used for forestry or recreational purpose.

In exchange, Gogebic County would receive parcels from Tobermorry Farms LLC located in Township of Bessemer, County of Gogebic, Michigan and more particularly described as:

Parcel 1: T46N-R45W Section 32, Se1/4 of the NW ¼, the SW ¼ of the NE ¼ and the E ½ of the SW ¼ (160 acres)

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Person(s) to whom the municipal forest is proposed to be exchanged:

Tobermorry Farms LLC
1000 Allanson Road
Mundlein, IL 60060

Chairman Siirila then asked three times for public comment and heard none.

Forestry and Parks Director Greg Ryskey was in attendance and briefly spoke of the land exchange. There were no questions from the Board of Commissioners or from those in attendance.

A motion was made by Orlich, supported by Peterson and carried by unanimous voice vote to close the public hearing.

Dan Siirila, Chairman

Gerry R. Pelissero, Clerk