above expectations

BAYFIELD COUNTY

Resolution

No. 2019-30

INCREASE THE PAYMENTS TO TOWNS WITH COUNTY FOREST FROM $.30 TO $2.00 PER ACRE

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has 29 Counties with 2.4 million acres of County Forest Land;

WHEREAS, County Forest lands are entered under Wisconsin State Statute 28.11 County Forest Law, which outlines the framework for County Forest Management;

WHEREAS, Wisconsin State Statute 28.11 requires compensation and a reasonable revenue to Towns;

WHEREAS, The State currently provides a payment of $.30 per acre to local units of government containing County Forest lands. This amount was established in 1989 and has not increased in 30 years;

WHEREAS, payments for National Forest lands are approximately $2.00 per acre to local units of government;

WHEREAS, these payments to towns help maintain forest roads providing access into the county forest;

WHEREAS, the DNR is willing to consider a budgetary fix to this issue; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors Assembled this 28th Day of May 2019, supports an increased PILT payment to Counties with County Forest Lands to $2.00 per acre.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors Assembled this 28th Day of May 2019, recommends that the Wisconsin Counties Associations does hereby urge the State Legislature to increase the Acreage Share Payment to towns with County forest lands, to $2 per acre.

By Action of the:
Bayfield County Board of Supervisors

Dennis M. Pocernich, *Chair*

STATE OF WISCONSIN)
) ss.
COUNTY OF BAYFIELD)

I, Scott S. Fibert, *Bayfield County Clerk*, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of Volume 26, adopted by the Bayfield County Board of Supervisors at their meeting held on the 28th day of May 2019.

Scott S. Fibert, *Bayfield County Clerk*