

NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM

SUBJECT: Retirement Resolution - Scott Retallick

FOR: SEPTEMBER 2009 BOARD MEETING

TO BE PRESENTED BY: Matt Frank

SUMMARY:

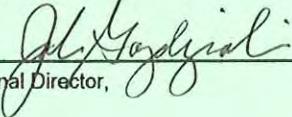
Scott Retallick will retire after 9 years of service to the citizens of the state of Wisconsin

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Retirement Resolution for Scott Retallick

LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:

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| No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Fiscal Estimate Required | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |
| No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |
| No | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Background Memo | Yes | <input type="checkbox"/> | Attached |

APPROVED:



 Regional Director,

07-30-2009

 Date

 Administrator,


 Secretary, Matt Frank

 Date
8-25-09

 Date

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/8

Susan Krantz-NOR/Spooner

Retirement Resolution

Scott Retallick retired from the Department of Natural Resource in July 2009, having served the citizens of Wisconsin by enhancing and preserving the natural resources of the Flambeau River State Forest for the past nine years. Scott began his career as a Ranger\Operation Officer in 2000. He then was re-classed to a Ranger\Enforcement Officer in 2001. Scott completed his career in this capacity.

Scott is a strong advocate for the Flambeau River and the natural resources of the forest. Scott provided protection for the public visiting the State Forest and was proactive in preventing violations through informing and educating visitors of the many laws and regulations that they may be unfamiliar with. He was able to identify recurring conflicts and promote changes. Examples of this include both re-locating canoe campsites and boat landings. Scott always attempted to reduce law enforcement conflicts by reducing the temptation. Subsequently making the visitors stay more enjoyable and reducing conflicts. Scott also realized how unique the Flambeau River State Forest is and remains a strong advocate of preserving the wild nature of the area. He commented many times how he wished he knew that the Flambeau River State Forest existed during the days when he camped.

Throughout his years of service he has been an advocate of improving the status quo. Projects Scott was involved with were improvement to and promoting a sustainable road surface for the State Forest ATV trail system. The design and fabrication of an improved ATV drive thru gate system on the trail system. He also is a dog lover and promoted a dog area in Connors Lake Picnic/beach area where you could enjoy the day with your pet. Scott was involved in numerous search and rescue missions with both lost hunters and canoeists. He was a promoter of improvements to the communication systems for law enforcement activities. In addition Scott was an active member of the State Forest law enforcement committee with many improvements now being implemented.

Scott was always willing to help his co-workers. He would assist in moving equipment, plowing snow, or operating heavy equipment and assisting in numerous projects. During the winter months he would be involved with the forestry program. With his co-workers he was a part of scaling over 1 million board ft. of logs during one winter. He also mentored new rangers which will have a lasting impact as the program and issues he has promoted continues.

WHEREAS, Scott Retallick has served the people of the State of Wisconsin faithfully and well in the performance of duties and has thus earned the commendation due an exemplary public employee;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Natural Resources Board at its September 2009 meeting at Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin, recognizes such faithful service with due respect and gratitude, and hereby makes this commendation a part of its official records.

Natural Resources Board

Christine Thomas, CHAIR