Waukesha County Conservation Alliance

Waukesha County Conservation Alliance 441 Cambridge Ave Waukesha, WI 53189

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WCCA Meeting Minutes March 18, 2015

A Board of Directors meeting was held prior to the meeting to review: a) request from the Kettle Moraine Lasers for funds, b) how to get new funds (raffle licenses A and B) and c) how to proceed with different (new) requests. The board will make the following recommendation to the Alliance members:

- A donation of \$1,000 to the Kettle Moraine Lasers
- To review a proposed donation of some or all of Al's memorial fund to Arrowhead for a shed with a plaque (Ron will be contacting Al's wife, Priscilla)

The board also authorized Al to proceed with the website development and be reimbursed for any expenses.

President Ron Gray called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm at Wern Valley. The meeting was sponsored by Monches, who provided the refreshments. The meeting was attended by 27 individuals, comprised of club delegates, the Wisconsin Conservation Congress and the DNR.

In regards to the Board of Directors meeting, the following items were presented to and approved by the Alliance members:

- Approved \$1,000 donation requested for the Kettle Moraine Lasers
- Al's fund totals approximately \$2,200, and looking at the memorial
- · Any additional requests for funds will be on hold

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

The minutes of the February 18th meeting were accepted as published.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The following items were reported:

- Restricted funds were listed as the 2, \$5,000 donations to the DNR and a \$1,000 scholarship.
- · Dues were submitted.
- A second person is needed on the account
- An audit is upcoming and has been scheduled Pat offered the Lions Club, 7 pm on 3/25.

The treasurer's report was read and approved, subject to audit.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- DNR Weekly News Update A reminder that you can subscribe to this information via this link: https://service.govdelivery.com/service/multi-subscribe.html?code=WIDNR,
- State Budget/Joint Finance Committee Ron sent a letter from the WCCA to the Governor regarding the proposed removal of the decision making authority of the NRB, transferring all authority to the DNR Secretary. The WCCA is against this provision in the budget. All sent a letter to both the Governor and Joint Finance Committee regarding this proposal as well.

- **DNR** Ben spoke to the regulations that will be up for approval this fall in regards to trolling. He provided detailed information on the regarding the Waukesha County proposed rule changes for 2015.
- **WWF** John is requesting support of the WWF's position on: a) the removal of the decision making authority from the NRB, b) the restriction of land purchases until 2028 and c) the reduction in DNR research positions.

A public hearing by the Joint Finance Committee will be held on 3/20 at the Alverno College Pittman Theater, 3400 South 43rd, from 10 AM to 5 PM.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Conservation Congress
 - Al Shook The annual spring hearing is Monday, April 13th at WCTC, in the Richard T Anderson building. This is the year where rules will be implemented. In addition, the Congress will have a shotgun resolution regarding the Joint Finance Committee items, and both Dave and Tom will be up for election.

Information on how to write a resolution is on the website or contact Al.

This is more important than the dove issue – please make your voice heard.

- Dave Poff CDAC meeting is Monday, March 23, 7 pm on Barstow. Reviewing harvest limit and antler (beyond the years) requirement. If you want your voice heard, attend the meeting.
- DNR -
- o Ben -
 - Rule proposals include a slot size for northern pike and walleye to improve natural reproduction.
 - Started northern pike stocking in Pewaukee
 - Approach is sustainable harvest of smaller fish to improve harvest opportunity
- Kids Fishing Clinic There will be 16-18 parks this year. The DNR is planting trout. The hatchery fish will
 be for demonstration purposes only. The well at the hatchery has been repaired and should be up and running.
 There will be 50 cases of soda donated by Pepsi Cola for the clinics. Rods have been donated by Cabela's,
 but are currently on the west coast due to delays caused by a labor dispute.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation Tom Bodin of The WHO Club provided information on the grant submission to the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. Funds can be requested for educational purposes.
- McMiller They are looking at hunter education programs, upgrading, have resolved website conflicts regarding open hours, looking to put up billboards. A contentious survey information "requirement" requiring shooters to provide name and address has not gone over well.
- Business Memberships A business membership is \$25 and an advertisement will be placed in the meeting minutes. All business memberships need to be confirmed.

NEW BUSINESS:

• 2016 Banquet – The 2016 banquet date has been set for Friday, February 5, 2016.

• **WWF Annual Meeting** – The annual meeting of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation will be held April 11-12 and our delegates will be Don Camplin and Pat Hess.

GOOD/WELFARE:

For those members with health issues, we wish them well. Cards have been sent on behalf of the WCCA members to Dave Schmitt and Roger Schmidt.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:10.

NEXT MEETING:

April 15 - WCCA at Wales Genesee Lions Club

MEETING SCHEDULE:

Please have your club sponsor a meeting!! June through December of 2015 are available.

May 20 – Milwaukee Casting Club at the Milwaukee Casting Club June 17 July 15 August 19 September 16 October 21 November 11 December 16

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