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# WCCA Meeting Minutes April 21, 2021

President Al Shook called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. The meeting was sponsored by Monches Fish & Game Club at Wales/Genesee Lions Clubhouse.

The meeting was attended by 15 individuals, comprised of Club Delegates and Wisconsin Conservation Congress Delegates.

#### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Membership asked by Al Shook if there were any corrections or additions to the March 17, 2020 Secretary Minutes. Hearing none he asked for a motion to accept them as published. Motion by Tackes, second Gray. Unanimous approval.

#### TREASURER'S REPORT

Current balance is: \$35,289.72 A motion was made by Wincek, second by Frasier to accept the Treasurer's report, subject to audit. Motion carried.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

#### DNR Weekly News Update – dnr.wi.gov

Jim Wareing sent an e-mail, notifying WCCA that the Carter Sportsmen will no longer be members.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **DNR**

Spring Hearing Advisory questions and resolution responses can be found at: Dnr.wisconsin.gov/about/wcc/spring hearing

#### **Kids Fishing Clinic**

Gray - DNR did not have Kids Fishing Clinics for 2021. Kiwanis stepped up and hosted 500 kids in West Bend. Wincek – Great Lakes Sports Fishermen teamed up with Daniel Boone Conservation League and hosted a Kid's Fishing Clinic on April 18. 35-40 kids in attendance. ALL caught fish. Wisconsin Fishing Club sent members to assist with the instructions and fishing. Paul Smith from Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel was in attendance and interviewed GLSF for an upcoming article. GLSF will come back next year at DBCL. GLSF will also continue to do a Kids Ice Fishing Clinic in Elm Grove. Dick Smith's Bait & Sports

Shop was sold to his daughter & son-in-law. They supplied poles, tackle boxes, etc. for the Elm Grove Clinic and accommodating when it comes to the kids.

Shook suggested the WCCA donate fish for the April Clinic at DBCL. Those in attendance agreed. Diedrich and Wincek will make arrangements with DBCL and fish supplier.

#### **Conservation Congress**

Currently DNR has an online survey asked for public input about the CDAC Preliminary Recommendations. After survey completed the results will be given to the local CDAC. Waukesha County final meeting is May 6. Remember these are recommendations CDAC does not take any action.

Hintz reports WWA has given 5 wood duck houses to the WCC Youth for placement.

Hintz & Wincek talked about the results from the Spring Hearing. Highlights: 400 resolutions statewide, 22 resolutions in Waukesha County. Many were against Bear & Wolf hunting, especially with dogs. With online input, many of the responses in general are anti-hunting. We need to be louder. When NRB has their hearings, the public (especially anti hunters) show up. Last NRB meeting lasted 7 hours because of public opinion.

All WCC & NRB meetings are still being held via Zoom. No in person meetings yet.

### **Scholarship**

No report.

#### **Wisconsin Wildlife Federation**

All quiet now. Replacement needed for the Secretary position.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Shook advised that the ADA Blinds will not be put up for awhile. The cost for 1 blind has tripled for the materials needed. Can't justify building 1 let alone 3.

Habitat Shoot at Wern Valley is August 28, 2021. Waterfowl Conference is the same weekend. Frasier and Shook will share the cost for a Stoeger Condor 20 or 12 gauge. Will obtain from Reinemans. Second place \$100 and third place \$50. Discussion held on getting an AR-15 or ammo. Not at this time. Discussion on selling pre raffle tickets vs. wingspan. Can only do one or the other per raffle requirements. Wingspan for \$20 will probably make more money.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Grant request from Christine Both of the Friends of the Oconomowoc Parks & Trails Inc. for a portage on the John & Lavinia Rockwell Park between Fowler and Lac LaBelle lakes. Total cost is \$40,000. Requesting \$20,00 by July 2021. Start of build is August and open by September 21, 2021. Board Meeting before next General Meeting for discussion and recommendation to Membership.

Schmittinger reported the Catholic Ecology Center that originally requested a Grant from WCCA no longer has the property they were going to build. They have moved to Girl Scout grounds in Oconomowoc area.

WCCA may need to find another meeting venue as the bartender from the Wales/Genesee Lions Club is retiring in June from working on Wednesday nights. Pogantsch advised the Lions are looking for a replacement. Scheduled meetings for next several months not at Wales/Genesee.

**Meetings** – As always, please consider having your Club host a meeting. Each Club needs to take a slot. Please look at the schedule of meeting dates and sign up. If you do not have a clubhouse available, efforts will be made to find a venue.

**Website** – Send your club information to Al Shook to be placed on the WCCA website. Even if you don't have a website, your information: meeting date/time and club location, can be visible through the WCCA's website. A club or business of the month will be on display. Get your information to Al. Send in game pictures! Please go to the website to help increase the search engine ranking: <a href="https://www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com">www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com</a>.

**Dues** – Club dues are due. The form is available on the website. Print & mail in for \$25 for business or club. (http://www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com/1979/custom/62337).

#### **MEMBER MATTERS:**

NRA-ILA hosting a meeting at Clifford's in Hales Corners on May 4. This is to explain to the public what is happening with the NRA (moving from New York to Texas). Through the Ron Johnson group.

Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast at Wales/Genesee on May 9, 2021 830am to 1100am. Curbside or inside. See WCCA Website for further details.

Motion made by Frasier, second by Farchmin to allow WCCA Membership Club meetings to be held within 10 miles of the Waukesha County border. Some discussion but unanimous approval.

#### **GOOD/WELFARE:**

A moment of silence was held for Art Seidel a long time WCCA member who passed away on April 10, 2021. He was a great Conservationist, past Monches Sport Club President and a past Delegate on the Wisconsin Conservation Congress. He will be missed. Contact will be made with the family for a Memorial offering.

#### **NEXT MEETING:**

May 19, 2021 730pm Women's Hunting and Sporting Association Milwaukee Casting Club

Board Meeting prior to General Meeting May 19, 2021 at 715pm.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by Wincek second by Hintz. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 852pm.

Respectfully submitted,

MarySusan Diedrich, Secretary

#### **MEETING SCHEDULE:**

May 19, 2021 - Women's Hunting and Sporting Association at Milwaukee Casting Clubhouse

June 16, 2021 - Milwaukee Casting Club at Milwaukee Casting Clubhouse

July 21, 2021 - Great Lakes Sport Fishermen at Milwaukee Casting Clubhouse

August 18, 2021 – WCCA at TBA

September 15, 2021 – Wales/Genesee Lions Club at ??Wales/Genesee Lions Club??

October 20, 2021 – Daniel Boone Conservation League at DBCL, 4694 Hwy 167, Hubertus 53033

November 10, 2021 - Stone Bank at Stone Bank Sportsmen Club

December 15, 2021

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