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WCCA Meeting Minutes July 19, 2023

Bob Wincek, President called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. The meeting was sponsored by Great Lakes Sportsmen Fishing Club at New Berlin Trap and Sportsmen's Club.

The meeting was attended by 14 individuals, comprised of Club Delegates and Wisconsin Conservation Congress Delegates.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Membership was asked if there were any corrections or additions to the June 21, 2023 General Meeting Minutes. Motion by Daluga, second by Gray to accept the Minutes as published. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report presented by Farchmin to Membership in attendance. A motion was made by Jorgenson, second by Daluga to accept the Treasurer's report, subject to audit. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

List going around. Please cross off a member from your Club if they are no longer associated. Updated list will be out next month.

No other Communications.

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

DNR (weekly news update dnr.wi.gov)

Metro Unit was expanded in Waukesha County.

CDAC positions open. This is a 3-year Charter. Most of the current members wish to renew and are submitting applications. Urban position was vacant at end of CDAC meeting this year.

Payne Meeting:

Wincek & Diedrich went to a quarterly meeting on July 18 that included DNR Secretary Payne, his staff, Fish, Wildlife & Parks Administrator, Public Safety and Education Dept. Heads and staff. It also included 10 Outreach groups such as: Great Lakes Sportsmen's Fishing Club, DBCL, WWF, WI Bowhunter's Assoc., WI Trappers, Assoc., WI Bear Hunter's Assoc., etc.

• Overview of the 23-25- Biennial Budget. Money from the Federal Pittman-Roberts and Dingell-Johnson Fish Restoration Funding (\$69.4 million) and Non-Resident Fees were raised, which

- should bring in another \$2 million in revenue. DNR is in process of doing a 20 year "look back" of where past money spent. Highlights of where \$\$ going this year:
- 70% of the Money from Sport Fish Restoration Funding is split between Water Education, Public Boat Landing Access and Fish Management.
- Warden Overtime cheaper than hiring new staff.
- Continuing Outreach & Education Programs such as: Learn to Hunt Bear, How to Butcher a Deer, Beginners Wingshooting.
- 3 State owned ranges receiving improvements. McMiller is getting \$1.5 million to replace target stands, baffling on ranges, pulleys on a handgun range, 3D archery updates, etc. Project Manager is Michelle Frazier who was reassigned from the SE Outdoor Skills Trainer
- Additional Staff for the DNR -WCC Liaison
- ** Since I did not have all my notes together from the previous day's DNR meeting, not all of this information was given out at the meeting. Those members in attendance allowed me to add them in the Minutes.

Kid's Fishing Clinic

Diedrich has sent an email to Theresa for information about a Fishing Instructor Workshop. When I get a response, I will ask for a show of hands who would be interested in attending.

Conservation Congress

Diedrich

- District Meeting is August 1, 2023 in Sturtevant.
- Rules & Resolutions Committee first meeting on Sept. 9 at Mead Wildlife Center. Public is welcome. Major task of reviewing the COP for the WCC. Changes are needed.
- Legislative Meeting on September 6. Zoom meeting all can listen in.

Wincek

- Hunt Wild is Off line, but will be going back on line with maps and directions on entry to private lands for hunting.
- NRB meeting was in June. Waiting to see Minutes from the meeting.

Hintz

 Not here tonight, but reminder there is a Waterfowl Expo in Oshkosh on August 26. Open to the public. Will get a flyer out on the WCCA Website.

Farchmin

No report – Committee meetings not set yet.

Luling

Still not listed on the Roster and not assigned to any Committees yet. Rob Bohmann is aware and is trying to get him on a committee.

Scholarship

No report – nothing submitted yet.

Wisconsin Wildlife Federation

- Director's meeting is second weekend of August.
- Raffle Calendars are \$20 good for 366 days.
- Mark LaBarbera is resigning. They have a person interested in taking the position over.

2024 Banquet

New gun list. Discussion and selection of the 6 rifles, 6 shotguns, 7 handguns. Shook to return to Reinemans with the list.

Special Raffle with a Lake Michigan Charter and ??? Looking for ideas for a bigger prize.

OLD BUSINESS

Zettlemeier had a question on what is being done with the PFAS situation. Wincek advised that the concerns about PFAS in water and the PFOS in fish need a standardization of harmful levels between EPA and the State. Levels not decided yet. Go on past levels about how many fish to eat if you are pregnant, children and have compromised health.

The Habitat Shoot at the end of August at Wern Valley, should we have a cash raffle or gun? We haven't made much money on a gun the past few years, even though the gun was donated. No donations, no profit. Tal about it at next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Farchmin advised that Schultz has open Trap on Tuesdays from 5pm-8pm. \$7.00

**Since the June meeting, Diedrich learned we can have meetings at the "Milwaukee Casting Club" now named New Berlin Trap & Sportsmen's Club. Same address as before.

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 Bob Wincek 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 Bob. Send in game pictures! Please go to the website to help increase the search engine ranking: www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com.

MEMBER MATTERS AND GOOD & WELFARE

Vet Fest at Daniel Boone on September 9, 2023. Flyer is on our Website.

Diedrich has a new computer and there are some emailing problems. Hope to get them worked out.

Farchmin's wife is feeling better, but still don't know the cause of her fluid retention.

Wincek suggested another fund raiser for WCCA – possibly hold a golf tournament. 9- or 18-hole Scramble on a course in Waukesha County. Prizes and meal included. Think about it for further discussion or come up with other fund raiser ideas.

NEXT MEETING:

August 16, 2023 by Wales/Genesee Lions Club at Wales/Genesee Lions Club

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Jorgenson, second by Daluga. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 8:59pm.

Respectfully submitted, MarySusan Diedrich, Secretary

MEETING SCHEDULE:

August 16, 2023 Wales/Genesee Legion Club at Wales/Genesee Lions Club

September 20, 2023 WHSA at Wales/Genesee Lions Club.

October 18, 2023 DBCL at Daniel Boone Conservation League, 4694 Hwy 167, Hubertus.

November 8, 2023 WHO Club – Wales/Genesee Lions Club

December 20, 2023 Menomonee Falls Rod & Gun Club at Menomonee Falls Rod & Gun

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