

Wisconsin Conservation Congress

Executive Committee

CONFERENCE CALL

Meeting Minutes



ORDER OF BUSINESS	9/15/15	7:30 PM	Conference Call
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Bohmann at 7:30 PM
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ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Bohmann, Bonde, Maas Fahrney, Weiss
EXCUSED	
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	Ed Harvey, John Olson, Justine Hasz , Owen Boyle, Kari Lee Zimmermann

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	M/ Maas 2 nd Fahrney approve as published M/C
ACTION	

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION	No Action

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. BEAVER MANAGEMENT PLAN

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	John Olson gave a brief overview of proposed plan if approved there may be an adjustment to the plan later about shortening the beaver trapping season. Weiss? How is Wildlife going to handle the research needed to review future plans? Olson/ Each bureau have been asked to list their top 10 project need. It was also mentioned that the Pittman Robinson Account is still very robust at this time. Ed Harvey stated that trappers are the only viable tool to control the beaver population. Ed also mentioned that Fur Harvest voted to support plan. The WCC needs to make sure that we work to manage this resource. This is a 10 year plan with a review in 5 years. Some additional discussion lead to a motion by Maas 2 nd by Weiss to support, motion carries.	
ACTION	Motion by Maas, 2 nd by Weiss to support, motion carries	
	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	Bohmann	DNR Board Meeting

B. WALLEYE MANAGEMENT PLAN IN CEDED AREA

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	Justine Hasz Fisheries Bureau Chief gave an overall review of the plan. The plan firm's up the emergency rule and will keep a 3 bag 15" size with one allowed between 20" and 24". You can still have a daily bag of 5 total if you go to a non-ceded lake. Weiss? Is this dependent on the extended
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	growth walleye always being available? Justine/ No we did have to adjust some hatcheries production but this was only on a temporary basis. Plans are to expand production capacity to meet the future needs and still allow for other production.	
ACTION	Motion by Bonde, 2 nd by Weiss to support, motion carries	
	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	Bohmann	DNR Board

C. 2015-2025 FISH AND WILDLIFE, AND HABITAT MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WILDLIFE ACTION PLAN

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	Owen Boyle gave a brief overview of program he stated that this is a suggested plan and not a regulatory plan. After a brief discussion there was a motion by Maas, 2 nd by Fahrney to accept the plan, motion carries	
ACTION	Motion by Maas, 2 nd by Fahrney to accept plan, motion carries	
	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

D. YOUTH CONSERVATION CONGRESS UP DATE

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	This is on hold waiting for additional details and clarification.	
ACTION	On hold no action taken	
	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

E. UP DATE ON FUTURE ANNUAL CONVENTION FACILITIES

DISCUSSION	Zimmermann reported that Chula Vista has sent the contracts; she said that she has heard about some quality issues. Due to the nature of the complaints that were discussed it was felt that another venue for the 2016 convention should be considered. This would confirm for only one year so additional consideration could be given other venues.	
ACTION	Motion by Bonde, 2 nd by Maas to change to Manitowoc for next year, motion carries, 1 no/Weiss	
	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	Zimmermann	ASAP

F. CONSERVATION CONGRESS ADMINISTRATIVE HOUSEKEEPING (NO ACTION WILL BE TAKEN)

ZIMMERMANN

DISCUSSION	Weiss again asked for committee notes on resolution actions to him. Internal communication will be issued on this.	
ACTION	No Action taken	
	PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

BOHMANN

DISCUSSION	Bohmann asked for assistance to cover some upcoming meetings and events. Fahrney will take Legislative meeting. Bonde will take the NRB Board meeting. Maas will cover the Sporting Heritage Council meeting on Sept 30 th . Fahrney will cover Legislative Sportman Caucus Cast and Blast on Sept 21sr. Other issues: Marinette County Chair has resigned Vice Chair has taken over the position.	
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	Fahrney asked if we as a group are weighing in on any of the proposed Federal laws. Rob feels we have it covered at this time. He also suggested the need for a Legislative liaison. Rob feels that we are functioning fine with the executive committee under the authority of the WCC. Motion by Weiss, 2 nd by Fahrney to adjourn, motion carries
ACTION	

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	9:55 PM
SUBMITTED BY	Dale C. Maas
DATE	11/16/15