

Wisconsin Conservation Congress Ex. Comm.
Minutes
June 6, 2008
Westfield, WI

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Edgar Harvey at 9:07 A.M. Members present were V. Chair Robert Bohmann Sec. Rich Kirchmeyer. Also present were Kurt Thiede and Kari Lee-Zimmermann from the D.N.R.

The first order of business was comm. appointments The following is the list of comm. chairs / comm. v. chairs/ co-chairs, and their sec.

Air Waste and Water
Chr. Mike Witkiewicz
Sec. Todd Knapp

Alt. Funding
Chr. Russ Hitz
Sec. Mike Reiter

Awards
Chr. Ron Roettger
V. Chr. Frank Reith
Sec. Jim Cahill

Bear
Chr. Rich Kirchmeyer
Sec. JoAnne Kuharske

Big Game
Co-Chair. Al Phelan
Co-Chair Mark Noll
Sec. Tony Janecek

CWD
Chr. Robert Bohmann
Sec. Tony Grabski

End. Res. and Law Enf.
Chr. Ray Smith
Sec. Jim Shurts

Forestry and Parks
Chr. Gary Severson
Sec Dan Cobb

Fur Harvest
Chr. Scott Zimmerman
Sec. Sandy Naas

Great Lakes
Chr. Dale Maas
Sec. Dave Tupa

Habitat
Chr. Roger Sabota
Sec. Steve Holmes

Hunting With Dogs
Chr. Dave Puhl
Sec. George Bartels

Legis.
Chr. Jayne Meyer
V. Chr. Dustin Grant
Sec. AnnMarie Kutzke

Migratory
Chr. Richard Koerner
V. Chr. John Edelblute
Sec. Mitch Fisher

Mississippi River
Chr. Marc Schultz
Sec. Wes Domine

Outdoor Heritage
Chr. Wade Jeske
V. Chr. Lee Farney

Sec. Kevin Smaby

Public/ Private Lands
Chr. Larrie Hazen
Sec. Ray Heidel

Rules and Resolutions
Co. Chr. Larry Bonde
Co. Chr. Tony Blattler
Sec. Richard Koerner

Trout
Chr. Mike Reiter
Sec. Dennis Vanden
Bloomen

Turkey
Chr. Mike Rogers
Sec Clarence Koch

Upland Game
Chr. Ken Risley
Sec. Dave Miller

Warm Water
Chr. Joe Weiss
Sec. Ken Snow

Wolf
Chr. Al Brown
Sec. Scott Mcauley

The legislative audit was discussed. Chr. Harvey now has a copy of the audit and all looks good for the congress.

The June N.R.B. meeting was discussed it will be held in Waupaca. Some things on the agenda are Mercury (the congress supports controls on all emissions) Wildlife house keeping package, fisheries questions from the spring hearing. Chr. Harvey will testify on the congress's behalf. The congress's budget was discussed. Our budget annually runs around \$90,000 the biggest portions of that is spent on the spring hearings (printing of books, renting facilities to hold the hearings).

We discussed mileage reimbursements. We now are at 32 cents per mile. Bohmann made a motion to raise to 40 cents per mile 2nd by Kirchmeyer. Motion passed meals will stay the same. Wolf trapping seminar in Las Vegas Right now no one of the general public is qualified to be able to trap wolves if we ever do have a trapping season on them. The Wis. Trappers Assn. is asking the congress to donate monies to help send people to the seminar to become qualified so they in turn can train people back here in Wisc. Motion by Kirchmeyer not to donate any money 2nd by Bohmann. Some of the reasons that were discussed are we don't have money available for that in our budget, and we can't start donating to every group that asks for money. We do fully support the Wis. Trappers Assn and a future harvest season on wolves.

There will be a legis hearing on CWD on June 10th. Kurt will register the congress as a supporter of the CWD rules even though we do not support the whole package. We will wait to hear what the outcome from the hearing is before we commit any further.

Members matters, none

Motion to adjourn made by Bohmann 2nd by Kirchmeyer

Respectfully submitted by
Richard Kirchmeyer Sec.