

Wisconsin Conservation Congress  
Executive Council  
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Plaza Motel, Wausau

Meeting was called to order by Chr. Edgar Harvey at 1:00 p.m. Roll call of Ex. Councilors was taken by Sec Richard Kirchmeyer with all councilors present; Richard Kirchmeyer, Joe Weiss, Al Brown, Dave Hraychuck, Mike Riggle. Roger Sabota, Kevin Marquette, Arold Ninnemann, Mark Noll, Mark Schulz, Stan Brownell, Dave Puhl, Dale Mass, Dick Koerner, Dave Miller, Ed Harvey, Lee Fahrney, Mike Rogers, Ken Risely, Al Phelan, Al Shook, Rob Bohmann, Ann Marie Kutzke, Jim Wrolstad. Jane Wiley from the NRB was present along with Tom Van Harren, Brian Goetch, Randy Stark, Tom Hauge, Tim Andryk, Scott Loomans, Kate Strom Hiorns and Kari Lee Zimmermann the W.C.C. Liaison all representing the DNR. Steve Oestreicher former WCC Chr. was also present.

There was no agenda repair but Chr. Harvey notified the council that because of the uncertain time of when the new Sec. of the DNR would show may change the agenda a little, also will be allowing authors to present their reasons behind them presenting resolutions at the 2010 spring hearings may be moved forward so they do not have to stay through a good portion of the meeting.

The Chairman's report was next on the agenda and Chr. Harvey informed the council about the picture we have all printing and copy rights, also that at one time we thought we knew who some of the people in the photo were, but now this is not true because of the time line and ages we do now know it is highly impossible that these people all could have been in the photo at the time the photo was taken. Hauge said he has had contact with Leopold's daughter and may be able to ask her who might be in the photo.

Kari gave an update on her liaison's position. She asked all councilors to schedule their district meetings by next Friday, they should try to have them during the first week of March. She asked the council if they wanted a booth at the Deer and Turkey Expo even if it would cost the WCC \$500 this year when in the past it was free. Miller MADE A MOTION to spend \$500 on the Expo 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Fahrney MOTION CARRIED. Kari mentioned that the Ex. Comm. had approved the purchase of a banner to help better identify the WCC booth and Wall of Fame. Miller said it could be possible to have a replica of the Jordan Buck present and be able to charge people to have their picture taken with the buck head. This was not really supported by the council, some of the discussion was dealing with the liability issues of possessing the mount and how pictures would be taken and processed for people.

Agenda item 2A: Rules and Resolutions Comm. report – Dick Koerner

The committee is forwarding some minor Code of Procedure changes needing approval by the Ex. Council so they can be presented to the full body of the congress at the annual meeting.

- 1) Have the ability by WCC delegates to fill out PDQ's on line. Shook MADE A MOTION to allow delegates to fill out PDQ's on line. 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Riggle MOTION CARRIED.
- 2) If no PDQ is filled out by a delegate they cannot be put on a study comm. MOTION WAS MADE by Mass to REJECT. 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Schultz. MOTION CARRIED TO REJECT.
- 3) Give a comm. the ability to process their own questions for the spring hearing. (COP at this time does not say specifically that a comm. can do this) MOTION WAS MADE by Mass to allow a comm. to generate their own questions for the spring hearing. 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Phelan Phelan asked for a friendly amendment adding the capability for the WCC delegates while in session at the annual meeting and also the Ex. Council be able to generate questions while in session. Amendment accepted by Mass. Weiss commented that he doesn't feel a comm. should be able to generate their own questions this should be done at the spring hearings that way the public has a chance to be involved. Shook stated that the system may be flawed and resolutions should come from the public a comm. may also end up making up more questions than originally came from the public at the hearings. Noll said that some resolutions are rejected just because of a word the comm. thinks is wrong, we have study committees they should study the resolutions/questions they are assigned, even if a committee does write a question the whole state gets to vote on it at the spring hearing and at this point in time when a resolution is presented it is only discussed and voted on in that county. Mass agrees with Noll and doesn't see that the public is circumvented. Phelan stated that this topic may need immediate attention. MOTION CARRIED.
- 4) Requiring that all committees have a chairman and a vice chairman and secretary ( no co- chairs) MOTION WAS MADE by Shook to reject. 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Mass. Fahrney thinks that having a Chr. AND V.Chr. is good if for some reason the Chr. cannot make the meeting the V. Chr. can run the committee meeting. Mass said he made the motion so this could be discussed, also some committee's are large and it helps to have 2 people helping out in a meeting and as it is right now if the Chr. is absent than the Sec must run the meeting and they must then find some one else to take the minutes. Puhl if a vote is taken in a committee and it becomes a tie who would break the tie the Chr., Co. Chr. or Vice Chr. Noll commented that Co-Chrs work fine in the Big Game comm., the Legis. Comm. Co-Chrs in the Migratory comm. but there are Chr. and V. Chr. for the Outdoor Heritage Comm. Fahrney thinks that when you have a V. Chr. for a comm. they are like in training for the Chr. position. Koerner asked if the Ex. Comm. appoints the Chr. of comm. and make the decision if multiple leadership is needed. Riggle would like to know what exactly the Rules and Resolutions comm. was thinking when they made this recommendation. Mass stated that 7-8 people are making these recommendations which this will affect the whole congress. Weiss looked at the COP and it doesn't state now that we can have Co-Chrs. Chr. Harvey stated that the Ex. Comm. looks at each individual comm. to see what is needed to make that comm. a effective and productive comm. Schultz understands what is now in our COP but is not really sure what the R&R comm. is wanting to happen with no

explanation or reasons for their recommendations. MOTION TO REJECT CARRIED.

- 5) Maximum of 5 years on Ex. Council and Ex. Comm. Mass MADE A MOTION to refer back to the R&R comm. 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Puhl. Weiss thinks this is a good idea because it would give others a chance at a leadership position Noll some how we would have to stagger this process or you would have a total turnover of the Ex. Council and Ex. Comm. at the same time. Shook we now have term limits by you districts not reelecting you if you are not doing a good job you will be replaced. Puhl what happens in a district that has no one who wants to run and you already have served 5 years. Kirchmeyer stated that he has been on the Ex. Council now for 12 years and in his 3<sup>rd</sup> year on the Ex. Comm., there are many things he is still learning about the WCC. You cannot expect to have some one have a 5 year term on the Ex. Council, know enough in that time, and be elected to the Ex. Comm. during that time, and still have a productive, respected, and effective WCC if you can only be on the Ex. Council for a maximum of 5 years. MOTION TO REFER BACK TO R&R COMM. CARRIED

New DNR Sec. Cathy Stepp addressed the council. Also attending with her was EX. Assistant Scott Gunderson. A general summarization of her comments and questions asked of her and Gunderson are as follows; I started this new position in the DNR on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of Jan. and so far it has been a whirl wind of traveling and talking to DNR personnel and citizens through out the state. She is an ex NRB member, state senator and home builder, her husband and her now operate a truck business. She told the council if they had any problems or complaints about the DNR to contact her personally. Her intent is to run the DNR more like a business by responding to complaints and things that are not working and take care of them right away. Mass asked the question about the possibility of splitting the DNR. Stepp answered that at this time there has been no talk of a split within the DNR she also stated that if the department was separated there would not be as much discussions going but more tensions between the different departments. Miller asked if Gov. Walker would be able to spend some time at the annual convention talking to delegates. Schultz asked about the ability to fill vacancies with in the DNR. Stepp answered that the Gov. has given some latitude in filling necessary positions at this time. The Gov. has stated that there will some discretion used in filling some positions, positions that are needed most will be filled first. Gunderson commented that we are under an extreme budget crunch right now things are tough. Noll stated that because of more and more land being put into MFL programs that townships do not have enough money to maintain roads and any other maintenance needs of the town. There is no stumpage dollars being returned to the towns. Koerner asked about the order the governor gave about water quality specifications. Stepp answered that really all it pertained to was a 1-11/2 acre parcel in Green Bay not the whole state. Weiss questioned what personal philosophy on the development of jobs on the short term and long term fix for habitat and wildlife research. Stepp answered that we must concentrate on plans for all natural resource programs and so people that are paying for these programs can see where their license dollars are going and that they are being spent on worth while projects Shook complained that resolutions that have been supported by the WCC and the public have not been acted on of implemented on by the DNR, we would like good reasons for not

forwarding such proposals and why they are not being implemented. Stepp replied that we need to know what problems there are with the DNR and has heard from others that at times the DNR can be difficult to work with. Miller chimed in saying a resolution which was passed in northern Wisconsin and throughout the whole state was swept aside because the DNR said they would around 5 years of study before they could move forward with such a proposal. Fahrney hopes that all stewardship dollars being spent by the NRB be put towards land that is open to hunting, fishing, and trapping. Stepp doesn't agree with all the purchases that stewardship dollars were used for. Riggle said CWD is a very expensive disease to deal with and there has been many miscommunications and misunderstandings between the DNR and the hunters of the state we also need to go back to a regular 9 day gun deer season in the CWD zone. Stepp stated that she was on the NRB when CWD was discovered here in the state and we need too start making science based decisions when dealing with CWD issues. Puhl would hope that in the future that when local meetings are held about deer that all the recommendations that come from that meeting are not just thrown in the trash by the people in Madison and are considered when implementing quotas and season structures. Stepp answered that we will make decisions on science based facts and also this where Gundy will do what he was appointed to do and that is dealing with natural resource issues about wildlife. Gunderson commented that the DNR has not been really listening to what the public really wants especially on deer issues, we will be looking for more input and involvement from the WCC and the people of the state, and we are going to take a broad look at what is happening in the deer world in the state. Puhl thinks the public has turned against the DNR. Weiss would like to know why the DNR can build a multi million dollar facility in Spooner and then only have it open to the public 3 days a week, there is still too much waste within the DNR. Stepp is not sure and doesn't really understand why the DNR cut office hours at the service center, she also understands that the northern regions of the state has a closer and more sensitive group of people and are more aware of the natural resources. Sabota commented that there are some serious issues we need to deal with pertaining to deer and that some people are in favor of buck only seasons in portions of the state where deer populations are extremely low and need a chance to rebuild themselves. We need more deer and fewer predators. Oestreicher was wondering about the warden force and the amount of retirements in the next few years. Stepp said we need as many wardens as needed to enforce the laws and regulations of the state she also was very surprised at all the duties that are assumed by a warden of the state of Wisconsin. Wrolstad liked Stepp's enthusiasm and hopes she can maintain that for the next 4 years. Gundy stated that as they met with department personnel that they had many great ideas on how to improve the department, also hoping to get more needed help from the public and hoping that some of the changes that are going to be taking place will be for the betterment of the department. Riggle hopes that the new leadership supports the deer research project that is going to start up in a few days and he hoped that some of the new leaders within the department would come and experience what happens in the field.

Larry Bonde gave a report on the recommendations for the Ex. Council to consider that are coming from the Out Reach Comm.

#1) Recommends to the Ex. Council that the Out Reach Comm. becomes a standing committee within the WCC.

- #2) Have a survey done to see who does or does not participate to determine who are audience is at spring hearings and other function the WCC is associated with.
- #3) During all WCC meetings our COP and RR of Order are always followed or actions will be taken.
  - A) Removal from comm.
  - B) Review all refractions
- #4) Need discussions at spring hearings.
  - A) Ability to review and discussion DNR and WCC resolutions and questions.
  - B) Better job of objectively wring a question.
  - C) Balance efficiency with productive discussion.
- #5) Publicity of the WCC.
  - A) Recognized in local press.
  - B) Face book/Twitter

#### Resolutions

- #1) If a res. is approved 3 years consecutively in a county that res. will automatically go directly to Ex. Council to act on.
- #2) No local author/local sponsor resolution is thrown out by county Chr.
- #3) Shotgun resolutions need to have 50% plus 1 yes vote in all counties that they are presented in and voted on.

#### Recommendations that need to be spelled out in the WCC's COP.

- #1) Resolutions need to be assigned to 1 comm.
- #2) A Chr. can ask that a resolution can be discussed in their comm. also.
- #3) Comm. can the jointly meet than come up with 1 question from the resolution, if the 2 comm. cannot come up with an agreeable question both comm. will present questions to the Ex. Council and the council will decide which question will be forwarded to the spring hearing.

Chr. Harvey said the council needs to make the decision on whether they want to make the Out Reach comm. a standing comm. or not. MOTION by Ninneman 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shook to extend the Out Reach comm. existence for 1 more year and to continue work on these issues. Bonde commented that some issues are ready for approval by the council and doesn't think they are in need of review by the comm. They are:

- #1) 3 years and a resolution goes to Ex. Council.
- #2) No local author/sponsor res not voted on at county level.
- #3) 50% + 1 yes vote on shotgun res.
- #4) Res. referred to 1 comm.
- #5) Chr. may ask to discuss another comm. assigned res.
- #6) 1 Question from 2 comm. from same res.

Ninneman WITH DREW HIS MOTION 2<sup>nd</sup> was withdrawn by Shook

Riggle MADE A MOTION to forward the 6 recommended changes to the COP to the floor of the WCC's annual convention. 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Kutzke Riggle wondered who would make the decision on what or which resolutions were to be classified as shotgun resolutions. Rogers said that if he doesn't in his county have a local sponsor he doesn't read a res. Noll Does this mean the wording must be exactly the same for 3 consecutive years on a res. to qualify going directly to the council. Shook Does a shot gun res. only

need 2 counties to be classified as a shot gun res. Weiss stated he though if a res. was rejected 3 years in a row it should be a dead issue. Mass There are times with a shot gun res. that the county the res, pertains to it is voted down but in surrounding counties it is supported. Bonde said there are times that shotgun res. are not always bad res. MOTION TO ADVANCE THE RECCOMMENDATIONS FAILED. MOTION BY Ninneman 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shook to extend the Out Reach comm. existence for 1 year MOTION CARRIED.

Spring Hearing participation Mike Riggle. We need to look into internet balloting, get with the new age of communicating (face book twitter etc.) The loss of internet balloting is the electing of WCC delegates and lack of discussion on res./questions at spring hearings. Chr. Harvey commented that the Out Reach Comm. is working on some of these issues. Shook: We will eventually have to have on line voting but he feels it is still necessary to have good discussions on questions/ resolutions. Weiss Is the WCC relevant; to some people we need modern ideas to get more ideas. Miller One reason there is a decline in attendance is nobody trusts or likes the DNR. Why go to a hearing when the people in Madison do what they want any way. Kutzke People don't have time for meetings, when people attend meetings personally it carries more weight that it probably would with on line voting. Noll the use of the internet gets issues out to the public also the use of face book and twitter. Mass Be careful of what you wish for Yes it would give more people the opportunity to vote but who would be voting then. Fahrney On line voting would appeal to shut ins. Marquette For the most part people do not want to get involved.

Youth Conservation Congress Report by Lee Fahrney. A MOTION WAS MADE BY Fahrney to accept the proposal of the Youth Conservation Congress. 2<sup>nd</sup> was made by Puhl. Mass May be the candidates should be a sophomore or a junior instead of a junior or senior. We will very much need chaperones /parent/ guardian for the youth for meetings. A letter will be needed from Chr. Harvey to county Chairs informing them on how to contact schools etc. Puhl Who will pay for the youths expenses will we have to look for local sponsor like FFA or sportsman's groups. Weiss: How will the youth be selected? We must collect youth candidates from each county then send names to Kari, the youth then will have applications sent to them which they will fill out, and finally at spring district meetings delegates will decide on 2 youth from each district. Koerner doesn't want to be a baby sitter. Fahrney Each youth will have to have a supervisor which will pick them up and get them to and from meetings. Riggle: Do we look for the youth in local schools or clubs or should we make sure there is a sponsor to pay for the youths expenses first. MOTION CARRIED TO APPROVE

#### Proposed 2011 WCC Advisory Questions;

##### Bear #1

Division of Bear Mgt Zone C (#110710) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Kirchmeyer 2<sup>ND</sup> by Puhl MOTION CARRIED

##### Big Game

#1 Legalize crossbows for archery season (out of comm.)

Chr. Harvey had given Wright Allen the chance to address the council  
Chr. Harvey acknowledged that bringing this question to the spring hearing may bolster attendance but this is not the reason for asking the question again. (Question was asked back in 2005) MOTION TO REJECT was made by Puhl 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquette. Bohmann asked if we could even discuss this question being as that it had come up under business matters. Riggle wants question forwarded to find out again exactly what the public wants, every one should weigh in on this issue. Hopefully the letter from WBH was not a personal attack on him. Mike thinks so. I really did not propose the question to cause controversy. Risley: Some people would like to see the question asked again. This would make renewing of handicap permits not so costly to the older people and handicapped. Miller: This is a very controversial issue and it needs to be voted on state wide. Really doesn't care for the way the question was generated. Brown Was the 55 and older question asked last year and approved. Yes and yes are the answers to the question asked by Brown. Shook doesn't bow hunts mainly migratory hunts so he really doesn't care, there is a 50-50split the way he sees it you either support or you don't. Puhl asked how the question came to be and called the question. (Chr. Harvey had already acknowledged other people to speak) Noll: We represent all the people of this state. Is the archery world afraid of what the end vote may be? Bohmann stated he originally abstained from voting on the question in the Big Game comm. Fahrney There is a lot of controversy on this issue let the people vote. Marquette said that the crossbow in metro units was shot down by the BG com. and can't see a legitimate reason to shoot this question down. Brownell read an article on how this question came about and didn't like that someone is talking about getting a lawyer involved. Wright Allen was given a second chance to address the council. He wouldn't have had a problem if the question had been first presented at a county hearing first and then forwarded to the BG comm. for further discussion. MOTION TO REJECT FAILED Yes 9 No 12 MOTION TO ADVANCE was made by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wrolstad. Weiss would like to see the question forwarded but did not like the procedure it took to get to this point. Mass isn't sure how a comm. can be given a topic to discuss and come out with a question that doesn't deal with the original topic. Andryk (lawyer) Stated that the original question dealt with crossbows and deer and so does this question. Riggle said that there has been many other crossbow question brought to the BG comm. and all rejected and in this instance he was told to bring the new question up under member matters. Marquette a state wide question asking for use of crossbows during the archery season will fail where a question asking to use crossbows in metro units probably would have passed. Miller Does the WBH object to asking the question state wide or the way the question came about. Koerner If the question was good enough for the BG comm. to pass it should be good enough for the council to forward. MOTION TO ADVANCE PASSED

Big Game #2 Use of archery equipment with gun deer season (#520310)  
MOTION TO ACCEPT by Bohmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phelan MOTION CARRIED.

Big Game #3 Legalize rifles for hunting deer state wide. (#130110)  
MOTION TO ACCEPT by Bohmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll MOTION CARRIED

Big Game #4 Deer management from state wide to regions (came out of com.)

MOTION TO REJECT by Puhl 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sabota Noll We need to put management back in the hands of local managers not in Madison. Miller The SAK audit suggested going to bigger DMU's. Riggle In defense of the author who stated we need local input and implementation by local biologists. Local managers may ask for something but Madison dictates what to do. Risley. The present system is not working lets try something new. Marquette Biologists from out of an area are making those decisions for us. Hauge The statement that local input is not valued and used is not a correct statement. Local biologists recommend to region biologists who in turn make requests to the deer com. tweaking may happen when management units are shared with another DNR region so sometimes there is a compromise made. Brownell Sec Stepp said she would listen to the local biologist. MOTION TO REJECT CARRIED

Big Game #5 Deer shooting permit time limits (#270110)  
MOTION TO REFER TO NEW COM. by Phelan 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll MOTION CARRIED.

Endangered Resource & Law Enforcement #1 Use of cross bows for rough fish (#230110)  
MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weiss MOTION CARRIED.

Executive Council #1 Increase rifle hunting in Shawano Co. (already approved by council in May)

Ex. Council #2 Archery hunting in Hoffman Hills Rec. area MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown MOTION CARRIED

Ex. Council #3 Lesser weapons (#710610) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Bohmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phelan. Noll They now make muzzleloaders that can shoot 200 yards accurately. Miller is concerned about hand gun use, recurve bows are more superior than long or recurve bows  
A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT WAS MADE AND ACCEPTED BY THE ORIGINAL MOTION MAKERS to exclude the weapon classifications as listed. Shook doesn't like the ability to use different weapons in the same season. Bohmann This is already part of the DNR's legislative wish list. Mass is still having problems with the procedure in which we are handling some res./questions. He thinks authors should be the only ones to change wording or go away from the original intent of the question and to amend a question. Marquette By deleting the classifications it is taking away from the original intent of the question. MOTION TO ACCEPT FAILED.

Forestry, Parks & Recreation #1 Allow trapping and hunting on state park lands.  
MOTION TO ACCEPT by Risley 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wrolstad AMENDED to ask 2 questions 1 for hunting purpose and 1 for trapping. MOTION CARRIED

Fur Harvest #1 Cable restraints on private land (#510210) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Kirchmeyer 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mass MOTION CARRIED

Fur Harvest #2 Shorten fall beaver season. (#050210) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Hraychuck 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mass MOTION CARRIED.

Great Lakes #1 Fish and wildlife money for commercial fishing. (#150110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Mass 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bohmann MOTION CARRIED.

Great Lakes #2 Allow dark house spearing on outlying waters (#150110) MOTION TO REJECT by Weiss 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sabota Mass was upset with the motion to reject. Would like the council to respect the work of the com. and also that of the author. Miller Would such a practice hurt the resource taking out a fair amount of large fish. Koerner is concerned about the taking of muskys (misidentification) Weiss The Green Bay waters are classified as a world class musky water. Shook We should let the public have input on this question. Sabota We need to have trophy waters for musky to compete with Minn. and Canada. Marquette said it was legal to spear at one time in the past. Kari said she could not find any such info to support that statement. Tom Van Harren commented that you never could spear northern pike on Green Bay. It was legal on boundary waters up until 1993 never legal on Green Bay but is legal on Lake Superior. Mass some resolutions will never be good resolutions but this was good one. MOTION TO REJECT CARRIED  
Vote Yes 14 No 5

Hunting with Dogs #1 Initiate study to define effects of dog training on nesting birds. (#670310) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> by Puhl There is a problem getting training/trial permits on state land because park managers are denying such activities. MOTION CARRIED.

Hunting with Dogs #2 Night hunting of raccoons. (#670410) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Puhl 2<sup>nd</sup> by Risley MOTION CARRIED.

Hunting with Dogs #3 Bear hunting with dogs state wide (came from com.) MOTION TO REJECT by Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> by Risley MOTION TO REJECT FAILED MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kutzke MOTION CARRIED

Hunting with Dogs #4 Wolf Control MOTION TO ACCEPT by Miller 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mass MOTION CARRIED

Legislative #1 Agriculture damage shooting permit program (#200310) MOTION TO REFER TO NEW COM. by Phelan 2<sup>nd</sup> by Noll (Author; Hunters pay for the program they should be able to shoot the deer) Phelan AMENDED THE MOTION The motion is to include res# 270110 which was referred to BG. Noll the 2<sup>nd</sup> to the original motion concurred. MOTION CARRIED.( The making of a new com. to deal with this issue was ok with author)

Legis. #2 WCC process before legis. Action (#150210) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Phelan. MOTION CARRIED

Legis. #3 Change definition of vehicle for transportation if weapons (#230210) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Kutzke 2<sup>nd</sup> by Puhl MOTION CARRIED.

Legis. #4 Blaze orange requirement for waterfowl hunters MOTION TO REJECT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Koerner MOTION CARRIED

Migratory #1 Open water rule modification for disabled hunters (#440110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Koerner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Puhl FRIENDLY AMENDMENT BY Miller ok with the first and 2nd to change along with to up to in the preamble. MOTION CARRIED

Migratory #2 Unattended decoys on private lands (#110110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Koerner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Puhl MOTION CARRIED.

Outdoor Heritage #1 WCC curriculum added to hunter ed. (#460110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fahrney FRIENDLY AMENDED to add all safety courses MOTION CARRIED

Outdoor Heritage #2 Remove 15 day requirement for permit transfers (#51010) MOTION TO ACCEPT BY Kirchmeyer 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fahrney Kirchmeyer At this point you normally receive a bobcat, fisher, otter permit 7-10 days before the season starts this already to late to transfer the permit to a youth and if we want youth to enjoy the outdoors and they never get a chance to receive a permit when they are young they may never participate. MOTION CARRIED

Outdoor Heritage #3 Disabled Veteran's rec. card. (#650210) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Fahrney MOTION CARRIED WITH A UNANIMOUS VOTE.

Outdoor Heritage #4 Increase Archery lisc. by \$1 for youth archery & bowhunting training MOTION TO ACCEPT by Koerner 2<sup>nd</sup> by Puhl MOTION CARRIED

Public/Private lands #1 Dog access reg. at Badger Ordinance site (# 110410) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Puhl 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mass Author commented that many people do not like the people in Madison dictating to them what they can or can not do. Weiss Is there any dog use now. NO Rogers 3 groups will divide the land and have to decide what they are going to allow or not allow or their portion of land. Does the DNR have a master plan for their portion. NO Hauge commented that public use will not be overlooked until all the hazardous materials are removed from the site. MOTION CARRIED

P/P L #2 Exempt all buildings from 100 yd. firearm discharge prohibition while on public lands. MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Miller MOTION CARRIED

P/P L #3 Metal detecting on state lands (#700110) This resolution was accepted by Ex. Council at the May meeting.

Turkey #1 Turkey permit preference for Wi. state residents. (#650310) MOTION TO ACCEPT BY Rogers 2<sup>nd</sup> by Puhl MOTION CARRIED.

Turkey #2 7 day continuous turkey season. MOTION TO ACCEPT by Bohmann 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rogers MOTION CARRIED

Upland Game#1 Open fall crow season earlier (#240510) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Risley 2<sup>nd</sup> by Miller MOTION CARRIED

Warm water #1 Manage large mouth/small mouth bass as separate species (# 040610) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Puhl 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wrolstad MOTION CARRIED

WW #2 N. Pike size limit on Diamond lake Bayfield co. (# 040810) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Puhl 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weiss Authors comments Kid like to catch and keep fish, lakes assoc. and people who launch boats approve, after 8 years of trophy management to create a trophy water and it still does not have trophy quality fish. MOTION CARRIED

WW #3 Reduce pan fish bag limit on Eau Galle Lake Dunn Co. (# 170110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Wrolstad 2<sup>nd</sup> by Brown MOTION CARRIED

WW #4 Musky survey using ALIS (#200110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Sabota 2<sup>nd</sup> by Weiss MOTION CARRIED (note: specify yearly)

WW #5 Reduce large mouth size limit on Trump Lake forest Co. MOTION TO ACCEPT by Wrolstad 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shook MOTION CARRIED

WW #6 Walleye restoration on Chippewa Flowage (# 580110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Weiss 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wrolstad MOTION CARRIED

WW #7 Free winter fishing weekend (# 580510) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Shook 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wrolstad MOTION CARRIED

WW #8 N. Wisconsin game fish season extension (# 680110) MOTION TO ACCEPT by Weiss 2<sup>nd</sup> by Puhl Authors comments. There is a he difference when the ice goes out in N. Wi. than in S. Wi. It would be good for tourism in the north adding more days to fish with possible nice weather. MOTION CARRIED.

WW #9 Bass season in N.W. Wisconsin Author present This question was discussed at the WW com. meeting but was not on the agenda so no action could be taken by the com. at that time. MOTION TO ACCEPT by Weiss 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shook Weiss we need to clarify some things in the question. Puhl You (Joe) sit on the WW com. why did they not take action on the question or was it written up at the meeting. I do not like when a com. comes up with their own questions and then wants them approved by the council. MOTION FAILED Yes 9 No 9

Tom Hauge

Thanked Mike Riggle and Kevin Marquette for their leadership role dealing with the deer research study which is about to start Helicopters will arrive and start netting deer on the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> of this month. The Elk dispersal assistance program is already under way. It may be 2 calving seasons before we hit the population goal to trigger a harvest season on

elk. USFWS is giving the state a chance to add more duck zones. Keith Warnke has taken a position with LE dealing with hunter retention.

Randy Starks

The 2010 warden recruit class had 10 cadets. 31 of a possible 206 warden positions are open now. There are 37 more wardens eligible to retire in the next 3 years. Water Guards main goal is to MAINTAIN AND SHIELD Violators compact had 492 people entered in 2010. More growing of marijuana on state lands every year. LE purchased 22 used motor cycles from Feds for \$300 they have a lower fuel consumption and easier to maintain. 28,078 Hunter Ed graduates in 2010. 1,389 took the on line version of the course. 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Hunters Heritage Conference to be held in Wausau on Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> (received a \$15,000 grant from the NSSF) DNR is offering a liability insurance for \$252 for LTH holders to purchase ( 1 million \$ policy) 2010 fire arm season had no fatalities.

Mike Staggs Fisheries

212.2 lb state record sturgeon speared. 41.8 ounce world record Brown Trout. Wild Rose fish hatchery will be at full capacity this year for the first time. Created a 1 day res. (\$8) non res (\$10) fishing license.

Scott Loomans presented the 2011 DNR wildlife questions.

Kate Strom presented the DNR 2011 DNR fisheries questions

Members Matters: Kirchmeyer updated everyone on the success of the early bobcat season and the harvest so far in the late season.

Bohmann would like to see more and better donations for the bucket raffle at the annual convention. Rob asked the council if they wanted a special gun for the gun raffle or the gun board. The council preferred the gun board.

District 3 is responsible for refreshments and goodies for the hospitality room at the annual convention.

Motion to adjourn by Kirchmeyer 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shook at 11:15 P.M.

Respectfullt Submitted by  
Richard Kirchmeyer Sec WCC

