

Wisconsin Conservation Congress

Land Use Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes



ORDER OF BUSINESS 09/16/2015 09:00:00AM **Comfort Inn, 1560 American Dr.
Plover Wi.**

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY Joel Taylor at 09:00AM

ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES Mike Hamm, Robert Haddick, Joel Taylor, Tom Kruger, Richard Warosh, Stuart Boren, Bob Ellingson, Micheal Hurlburt, Francis Ogden, Ted Engeli, Eric Booker, Douglas Seidl, Gary Kanarowski, Jim Barbain, Larry Laehn

EXCUSED Dave Larson, Matt Jacowski, Scott Kalpperich, Kieth propson, Steve Clock, Craig Raschine

UNEXCUSED Doug Waughtal, Paul Eichelkraut, Jacob Janowski

GUESTS DNR Liaisons Doug Hagg, Jim Jung, Drew Watermolen, Steve Courtney. No others asked to speak or were in attendance.

AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION None

ACTION Agenda approved

REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

DISCUSSION There was no discussion.

ACTION Statement approved

PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION None

ACTION None

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

Resolution #(020415) Change "DNR owned lands" to "Wisconsin Public Land (WPL)" **MIKE HAMM SPOKE IN SUPPORT**

DISCUSSION Some people are negative about the Department and will not use any property so labeled. Critics spoke of the cost and size of the task to change maps and plat books and the like.

ACTION Move to forward by Mike Hamm, second by Eric Booker.
Motion fails 6 to 8.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE DEADLINE

Resolution # (710315) Creation of Special Use Permits for State Parks] **N.A.**

DISCUSSION The proposal is to charge a fee for hunting and trapping in State Parks. The permit would be specific to each State Park, and the funds would be used in that Park. The proposal was criticized as complicating liscenses at a time we are looking to simplify them.

ACTION Motion to forward by Jim Barbian, second by Ted Engalien.
Motion fails 0 to 14.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

[Resolution #(130715) Exempt Lake Kegonsa State Park from Act 168]

N.A.

DISCUSSION The Park has about 160 acres of huntable land. Archery hunting for deer is the issue. The hunt last year had one complaint. A person saw a gut pile from the trail, but no actionable items.

ACTION Move to reject by Larry Laehn, second Mike Hamm.
Motion to reject passes 14 to 0.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

[Resolution #(150215) Hunting and trapping on DNR lands at Strawberry Creek]

N.A.

DISCUSSION There was widespread support for re-designating approximately 75 acres, among the local fisheries and law enforcement, and the committee, to allow hunting and trapping.

ACTION Move to forward by Eric Booker, second by Doug Seidl.
Motion to forward passes 15 to 0.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

[Resolution #(131115) Support the "right of first refusal" of public land sales to conservation groups.]

N.A.

DISCUSSION No one expressed any support for this Resolution.

ACTION Motion to reject by Mike Hamm, second by Doug Seidl.
Motion to reject passes 15 to 0.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

[Resolution #(250515, 390415, 700115) Moratorium on DNR public land sales]

N.A.

DISCUSSION Shortly after discussion started, Chairman Taylor invited Liaison Doug Haag to make a presentation, as it was pertinent to this Resolution. Mr. Haag cleared up a number of misconceptions regarding the proposed sales. He included maps of the proposed areas, and an overview of how the project will proceed.

ACTION Motion to advance by Doug Seidl, second by Richard Warosh.
Motion to advance fails 5 to 9.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

[Department Information Updates, Knowles Nelson Stewardship Program]

LIAISON DOUG HAAG

DISCUSSION Mr. Haag reviewed finances and answered questions, much of his material being presented in the previous discussion. Topics included funding and debt service, Ice Age Trail funding, easements on trails and trout streams, donations and county accusations and tax issues.

ACTION N.A.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

[Department Information Updates, Changes in the invasive species rule (NR40)]

LIAISON DREW WATERMOLEN

DISCUSSION Mr. Watermolen provided a primer on the Invasive Species Rule. He explained the categories and regulations, providing examples as he went. He discussed reporting procedures and answered

questions. He provided a list of the invasive species under concern, and updates on species members asked about.

ACTION N.A.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

[Department Information Updates, Potential Forestry/WCC partnership opportunities]

LIAISON STEVE COURTNEY

DISCUSSION

The discussion was to look for partnership opportunities to get the forestry message out, and involve landowners who are not at present, managing their woodlots. Some of the ideas brought forward were a reality show, to show what it is that a forester will do, and how a timber sale works. Partnerships with groups like NWTF and QDMA were proposed. There is a need to reach school age kids. Many programs that have worked in the past have fallen by the wayside. New efforts are needed. DMAP is a great opportunity.

ACTION None Proposed

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE

DEADLINE

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION None Offered

ACTION

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED 1:20 PM

SUBMITTED BY Bob Ellingson

DATE 10/12/2015