

Wisconsin Conservation Congress CDAC Oversight Group Meeting Minutes



ORDER OF BUSINESS	10/19/15	7:30 pm	Conference call
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I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY	Larry Bonde at 7:30 pm
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B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	Ed Harvey, Scott McAuley, Tony Grabski, Joel Taylor, Bob Nack, Kevin Wallenfang, Larry Bonde, Kari Lee-Zimmermann
EXCUSED	
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	Mike Lane, Mike Murphy

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	none
ACTION	Approve as is

D. REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

DISCUSSION	Mission statement was read
ACTION	Approve

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION	none
ACTION	none

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. CITIZEN RESOLUTIONS

A.1. CONSERVATION CONGRESS CDAC VOTE (370215)

MIKE LANE

DISCUSSION	Marathon County has multiple government entities filling seats and they are representing those entities, not necessarily the public. Grabski-how does this mesh with RRO? RRO says that in smaller committees chairs may vote, however that was not the direction given to them by the department. Joel-If the vote isn't the deciding vote (make or break a tie) it isn't necessary to change the outcome, so the chair would lose their neutrality for nothing. It doesn't seem like this is a widespread issue. Lane-this would only be for the increase, decrease or maintain population vote every three years. Ed-some counties have very few members and trouble filling seats so the chair could almost always make or break a tie. Could the alternate chair (also WCC) vote and the chair could then maintain their neutrality? Lane would be OK with that. Bonde-NRB can override position of CDAC if the council members are not representing the citizen interests and these county specific issues should be identified to the NRB.
ACTION	Taylor move to reject, second by Grabski—motion carried

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A	N/A

A.2. MANAGE COUNTY DEER HERDS UNDER THE NEW CDAC RULES (110215)

MIKE MURPHY

DISCUSSION	Murphy-Columbia County has vastly different habitat across the county and some areas with high densities of deer are privately owned, while public lands have far fewer deer available to hunters. Ed-is something in the works to look at splitting units? Wallenfang-Leadership has decided not to for 3 years to give us a chance to collect data on these new county units. In a few years we'll see how things are going and re-evaluate unit boundaries. Mike-Columbia went from 5 DMU's to 1. Wallenfang- no need to split up after only one year of change. Even if the unit was split, those units probably couldn't meet their goal. Ed-splitting DMU's is useful to attempt to concentrate permits in certain areas where deer need to be harvested.
ACTION	Harvey move to advance, second by McAuley—motion carried
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Harvey and Murphy to work on question	11/20/15

B. REVIEW DRAFT CDAC GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

DISCUSSION	Everyone had a chance to review and comment on the guidance document. It went to the Wildlife Implementation Team and then will go to the Wildlife Policy Team. <u>Comment on page 3 (section e of the rule), the group would like the NRB to consider not changing the season structure every year. Group would like consistency between seasons for a few years.</u> Alternate counts as one of the three hunting members if applicable. It is too difficult to define all of the possible reason for an excused absence but if someone is not making any of the meetings, the chair can/should discuss their lack of attendance and possible grounds for removal.
ACTION	none
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

C. IDEAS FOR ENSURING CDAC MEMBERS REPRESENT THE INTERESTS OF THEIR STAKEHOLDER GROUP IN THE COUNTY AND NOT ONLY THEIR PERSONAL OPINION

DISCUSSION	Nack-how do we get people in contact with members of their constituency so they can accurately represent them? Possibly set up a system where members of a CDAC would get an email from people with their input. They could identify which area best represents them, but email would go to all members. If council members have to establish connections within their stakeholder group, it could cause vacancies, but maybe the positions are better vacant than filled with someone out of touch or misrepresenting the seat.
ACTION	none
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

D. OPTIONS AND APPROACHES FOR FILLING VACANT SEATS

DISCUSSION	Poster (maybe Uncle Sam style) for CDAC's, contacting outdoor media, DNR/WCC joint press release, business cards for DNR wardens, staff, etc to hand out to deer hunters with website for CDAC asking them to get involved.
ACTION	Make business cards
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Kari, Kevin, and Bob will see if we can get them printed and out before the 9-day	

E. INCREASING PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN THE CDAC PROCESS

DISCUSSION	Grsabski-resolution 370315 may increase public participation at spring hearings and CDAC's. Public would vote every 3 years to increase, decrease, or maintain the population. KLZ-this couldn't only be done for Marathon County, it would need to be state wide. Lane-that was the intent.	
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	
Grabski will relay intent for resolution to be applicable statewide to Al Phelan		

F. JANUARY CDAC TRAINING

DISCUSSION	Last year it was just for WCC delegates. This year could include new members. All CDAC members or just WCC delegates? Could open it to all members and hope to have someone from each county represented. Review new guidelines which will be completed/reviewed by then, review survey results of process, go over the updated website.	
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE	

III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	Grabski would like to see the link to enter information further up on the online registration website. Taylor-counties should avoid issues outside the scope of the CDAC charter/process (ex. wolves, baiting, etc) and chairs should not allow that discussion.	
ACTION		

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	9:17 pm
SUBMITTED BY	Kari Lee-Zimmermann
DATE	10/20/15