



Executive Committee     District Leadership Council     Annual Meeting

**Wisconsin Conservation Congress  
 Meeting Minutes**

<b>ORDER OF BUSINESS</b>	07/17/2017	1:30 PM	Conference Call
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**I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by	Chairman Bonde at	1:30 PM
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**B. ROLL CALL**

ATTENDEES	Bonde, Shook, Weiss, Taylor, Zimmermann and Schmit
EXCUSED	
UNEXCUSED	
GUESTS	Matt Obrion /LE, Paul Smith

**C. Agenda Approval and Repair**

DISCUSSION	Larry stated that he had no changes.
ACTION	M/Shook 2nd Weiss to approve agenda as published. Motion carried.

**D. Public comments**

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION	No action taken.

**II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS**

AB 411 the authority of a conservation officer to enter private land and admissibility of

Matt Obrion

**A. evidence.**

DISCUSSION	Matt explained the current authority (open fields law) that allowed not only state wardens but all certified law enforcement officers in Wisconsin to perform their duties. He stated the needed criteria and department policy regarding policing on private property. He also stated that this policy has stood up to court rulings for not just wardens but all credentialed law enforcement officers in the state. Matt also stated that in the past if a mistake was made that they have an internal policing policy that corrects any violation by law enforcement and could result in disciplinary action. Matt also stated that he was not aware of any questionable acts that state wardens were accused of in the past couple years and the level of training all law enforcement goes through is intended to make sure this doesn't happen. Wardens do not have the time to go on random searches as that would be a waste of time and resources. Dale asked what the reason was for this bill to be offered? It was stated that some people felt that this was a violation of the 4th amendment. Joe asked if this was a stand alone bill? Yes. After some further discussion and the following was offered.	
ACTION	Motion by Maas second by Weiss to oppose AB 411. Motion carried unanimously.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
Larry will testify at the hearing in opposition to AB 411 which will be held on July 19th		

**B. [DESCRIPTION OF TOPIC]**

[PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION		
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**III. MEMBERS MATTERS**

DISCUSSION	Joe mentioned that the Warm Water committee will meet at the Grand Lodge in Wausau and that the History Committee needed a secretary. Dale questioned if the group that was reviewing what needed to be in minutes had made any changes? None at this time. Joel asked that we receive more information on document and email retention. All said this last assembly session has been tough but the issues contained in AB 411 could be the straw that breaks the camel's back. We need to let the legislature know that all conservation groups are opposed to it and he hopes we have a strong showing
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	at the hearing.
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only no action taken.

## IV. ADJOURNMENT

<b>MEETING ADJOURNED</b>	<b>M/ Shook 2nd Maas to adjourn at 1:30 PM</b>
<b>SUBMITTED BY</b>	<b>Dale C. Maas</b>
<b>DATE</b>	<b>07/25/2017</b>