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Wisconsin Conservation Congress
2019 Spring District 8
Meeting Minutes

WCC Meeting Minutes

ORDER OF BUSINESS	03/04/2019	7:00	Lake Shore Technical College, Cleveland

I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by	Larry Bonde at 7:00

B. ROLL CALL

ATTENDEES	See Attached
EXCUSED	See Attached
UNEXCUSED	See Attached
GUESTS	DNR Fisheries Dave Boyarski and Addie Dutton. DNR Wildlife Jeff Pritzel. DNR Jean Rombeck, DNR LE Juan Gomez and Ben Treml. DNR Steve Hogler

C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION	None

D. REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT

DISCUSSION	None
ACTION	None

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

DISCUSSION	
ACTION	

II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS

A. Informational Items & Program Updates — Larry Bonde and Brett Weir

DISCUSSION	A. Review Wildlife Spring Hearing Questions—Local Wildlife Staff & WCC District Councilors.)Larry Bonde and Brett Weir reviewed questions with attendees. B. Review Fisheries Spring Hearing Questions— Local Fisheries Staff & WCC District Councilors.)Larry Bonde and Brett Weir reviewed questions with attendees. C. DNR Staff Updates (regional or statewide issues of interest))Jean Rombeck gave a report. She stated that the New Secretary, Preston Cole is committed to the WCC. He sees the WCC as a vital part of managing our Natural Resources. Cole values WCC input, he will listen to concerns and feed back from the WCC. Cole supports the public input process as currently laid out. He support rule(s) simplification. Science needs to be explored. Increase awareness of our drinking water, "clean air and clean water" Committed to working with WCC leadership. New Administration will work with all aspects of managing our Natural Resources, which includes the WCC. Preston Cole values WCC input.)Jaun Gomez LE, update of new hires in our district.)Kewaunee LE position filled, A lot of drug charges occurred this past year.)Jeff Priztel Wildlife, D8 is fully staffed with Tech's and Bio's. Jeff shared our WCC input from our DLC January meeting. Jeff discussed Winter Severity Index. He stated that CDACs meetings happening soon.)Dave Fisheries, 2018 Walleye is an excellent year glass in Green Bay. 1800 Musky Fingerlings were stocked in Green Bay. Manitowoc Co, Panfish Sampling in a few lakes. Steel Head preparations are under way for propagation. Kettle Moraine Spring Hatchery will be renovated this spring. Ongoing catch composition is underway in Green Bay by commercial fisherman. Lake White Fish trawling rule change will be forth coming. Sturgeon Spearing took ten days, this is unusually long. Harvest was 479 Lake Winnebago and 307 in up river lakes.

	)Addie Dutton, Fisheries Biologist. Gave a report on Random Lake regarding walleyes. She also stated that all feed back is positive for the Statewide Experimental Pan Fish Regulation. D. Review Conservation Congress Advisory Questions—WCC District Councilors.)Larry and Brett read questions, Advisory Question 52, Payments for Positives Program hand a lot of discussion. The District "got stuck on this one" The objective of this program is to move more deceased animals off of the landscape and to create a larger test/research sample. This program gives an incentive to turn in deer for sampling which creates a larger sample for study.
ACTION	Review Only

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

B. Conservation Congress Annual Meeting and DNR Spring Hearing Logistics — Larry Bonde

DISCUSSION	A. Review the Information Provided in the Spring Hearing Logistics Memo. • Delegate Election 1. Review the county seats up for election)Larry gave discussion 2. Review election protocol – review protocol for run-off elections)Larry gave discussion 3. Elections should be held for vacant seats in your county)Larry gave discussion • Review WCC Delegates Roles and Responsibilities)Larry gave discussion, get there early! • Review training video regarding changes to this year's process and addition of online input option.)Larry cued up a video from Kari, A lot of good information. B. Delegate Profiles • Delegate profiles will again be available online in the form of a survey. Delegates have until Friday, April 12, 2019.) C. Local Spring Hearing Press • We will be sending the press release electronically to those delegates with email.) • Again this year, the one-page flyer is available on the WCC's Spring Hearing website)
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C. Other Congress Business — Larry Bonde

DISCUSSION	A. Sexual harassment prevention training complete video training by March 31)Larry gave discussion as to why we all/WCC delegates watch this video. B. Shooting Range Ad Hoc Committee, • The Shooting Range Ad Hoc Committee is once again requesting that delegates review the list of shooting ranges in their counties returned to Ashley VanEgtern at Ashley.VanEgtern@wisconsin.gov by April 8, 2019)Larry gave discussion • Lead management and reclamation is a major issue of concern for all ranges. The Best Management Practices for Lead at Outdoor Shooting Ranges book and other online resources for lead reclamation are available to them (see letter from Harold Drake).) C. Proposed Code of Procedure Changes)

	D. Committee Appointments) Larry gave discussion and to email responses to both Larry and Brett. But, first send selection process to our district. Brett or Larry will send out The Selection Selection Process to D8, this will be emailed by Brett on 03/05/2019 E. Youth Conservation Congress (standing item on agenda)) F. Awards • Nominations are being sought.)Larry gave discussion • The Executive Committee would like your help in nominating a fellow WCC delegate) • The Executive Committee would like your help in nominating outstanding DNR staff) G. Expo Travel Grant • The Friends of the WCC will provide travel grants) H. WCC Learn-to-Bear-Hunt Tag • The Congress will receive one tag for the 2019 LTBH event to be awarded to a novice hunter.) I. Delegate Resources/ Educational Material (standing item on agenda) • Delegates have a number of resources available to them under Local Delegate Resources.) • There is a 1½ minute promotional video available for delegates) • There is also a WCC brochure that can be printed off the web.)
ACTION	

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D. District 8 Absences — Larry Bonde

DISCUSSION	N/A
ACTION	N/A

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III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	*Delegate asked a question regarding outlawing hunting contests and where does the WCC stand on this, as for now the WCC has no stance on this. This is legislative in nature. *Delegate asked where is the trailer for youth exhibits, call Dale Maas. *Dick, Guide License regarding hunting and fishing. currently there is no requirement for liability insurance and credentials . Dick stated, the guide should have minimum credentials, requirements or certifications to have a Guide License. *Vanessa, wild rice is being eaten in the Bay and no one knows why. *A random DNR License Fee increase survey had results of 68% against a license fee increase. D8 comments were, this was a very limited survey and a poor survey. Larry Bonde said, contact local legislators. And there was a conflicting survey that had 80% WCC in favor and Ducks Unlimited 90% in favor of license fee increase. *Dave said, reach out via Social Media regarding WCC/DNR Spring Hearing. *CWD cure! This is nothing new.
ACTION	

IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	**9:24**
SUBMITTED BY	**Larry Bonde Chair and Brett Weir Vice Chair**
DATE	**03/04/2019**

2019 Wisconsin Conservation Congress Spring District Meeting Attendance

COUNTY	DISTRICT	POSITION	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PRESENT	EXCUSED	UNEXCUSED
BROWN	D8	Chair	Randy	Connour			X
BROWN	D8	Vice Chair	Gary	Fontaine			X
BROWN	D8	Delegate	Vacant				
BROWN	D8	Delegate	Erich	Mayer			X
BROWN	D8	Delegate	Cassandra	Erickson	X		
CALUMET	D8	Chair	Keith	Propson	X		
CALUMET	D8	Vice Chair	Andy	Geiger	X		
CALUMET	D8	Delegate	Robert	Wilberscheid			X
CALUMET	D8	Delegate	Mike	Burkhart	X		
CALUMET	D8	Delegate	Gary	Reidy			X
DOOR	D8	Chair	David	Tupa	X		
DOOR	D8	Vice Chair	Dick	Baudhuin	X		
DOOR	D8	Delegate	Paul	Witalison	X		
DOOR	D8	Delegate	Thomas	Savage	X		
DOOR	D8	Delegate	Michael	Grimm	X		X
KEWAUNEE	D8	Chair	Don	Anderson	X		
KEWAUNEE	D8	Vice Chair	Thomas	Kleiman Jr		X	
KEWAUNEE	D8	Delegate	Ronald	Fassbender	X		
KEWAUNEE	D8	Delegate	Peter	Mueller		X	
KEWAUNEE	D8	Delegate	Dale	Detampel		X	
MANITOWOC	D8	Chair	Larry	Bonde	X		
MANITOWOC	D8	Vice Chair	Dan	Cichantek		X	
MANITOWOC	D8	Delegate	Reed	Kabelowsky	X		
MANITOWOC	D8	Delegate	Brad	Martinson	X		
MANITOWOC	D8	Delegate	Vanessa	Brotske	X		
OZAUKEE	D8	Chair	Christopher	Wegner	X		
OZAUKEE	D8	Vice Chair	James	Wierzba	X		
OZAUKEE	D8	Delegate	Dr. LeRoy	Momper			X
OZAUKEE	D8	Delegate	Thomas	Christman	X		
OZAUKEE	D8	Delegate	Jacob	McCutcheon			X
SHEBOYGAN	D8	Chair	Edgar	Harvey	X		
SHEBOYGAN	D8	Vice Chair	Steve	Klock	X		
SHEBOYGAN	D8	Delegate	Bill	Lorenz	X		
SHEBOYGAN	D8	Delegate	Scott	Plocar	X		
SHEBOYGAN	D8	Delegate	James	Baumgart	X		

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WASHINGTON	D8	Chair	Brett	Weir	X		
WASHINGTON	D8	Vice Chair	Tashina	Peplinski	X		
WASHINGTON	D8	Delegate	John	Edelblute		X	
WASHINGTON	D8	Delegate	Bernard	Newman	X		
WASHINGTON	D8	Delegate	Charles	Dreher	X		

2019 Wisconsin Conservation Congress Spring District Meeting Attendance - YCC

COUNTY	DISTRICT	FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Door	D8	Dillon	Ploor		X
Ozaukee	D8	Hunter	Bault		X