Order of business
1. Organizational Matters
   A. Call to order by Chairman Tony Blattler at 9:30 AM

   B. Roll Call by Chairman Tony Blattler Present:
      Tony Blattler, Dick Koerner, Pete Petrowske, Dick Baudhuan, Ray Smith, David Larson, Ken Anderson, James Houck, Tom VantHaren

      Excused, Bruce Thomae, Tim Andryk

      Unexcused, Kenneth Lampro

   C. Introductions - New member Ken Lampro was unexcused -
      Guest Ron Waller delegate from Vilas Co sat in to listen.

      Kari Lee Zimmermann was present as WDNR/Congress Coordinator
A Mission Statement was read by Chairman Tony Blattler

2 Discussion and Action Items
Chairman Blattler asked the Committee for Agenda repair to discuss item 1 ahead of item A – Discussion was to add WCC Treasurer to the Executive Committee.

So the Chair can meet or talk business with the Vice Chair or Secretary without there being a quorum present. That includes in person, on phone or e-mail. 

After a long discussion a motion by James Houck to add a Treasurer position to the Executive Committee. Second by Ken Anderson. Discussion - This is needed as we have a “Friends of the Congress Checkbook that is used to pay some Congress activities, awards etc. This checkbook balance comes from money from raffles, hospitality donations etc.

Ken Anderson said we need to change C-1-C in the COP to include a written report in the Convention Book.

Note in the Blue Book Convention Book Tab #5 Code of Procedure for WCC

Chairman Blattler handed out a new revised COP change from page 10 of COP
Executive Committee as present Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. This is our recommended change. If passed by the WCC process we would add to creation of Executive Committee (addition) position of "Treasurer" in the CAP.

Section V. A. Executive Committee
The Executive Council shall elect a Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section VII Roles and Responsibilities
Letter D Executive Committee - The Executive Committee consists of Conservation Congress Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer. They are elected by the Executive Council to represent the interests of the Conservation Congress on a statewide level. The Executive Committee is responsible for making advisory committee assignments "following the May Executive Council meeting." They collectively or singly appear at various state functions to protect the views and put forth the ideas of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress, and most importantly, represent citizen and stakeholder interests on a statewide level. Moving down Under VII B I C on the Executive Committee Treasurer.
1. C. Provide financial information and provide a written report to the full Congress annually during the May convention.

The vote on the motion by Jim Houck and second by Ken Anderson to add a treasurer position to the Executive Committee was passed Unanimously.

   1. Pages 2, 4, 6 - Housekeeping items. Kari Lee Zimmerman will do

   2. Pages 1 and 8 personal data questionnaire is now available online.
      Most of the delegates get the PDQ filled out after the spring hearing and handed in to DNR hearing examiner, Some don't have a computer, some claim they didn't get a PDQ.
      Motion/Second Larson/Houck to change Page 7 number nine to insert in the wording to encourage all delegates to complete their PDQ online no later than Friday following the Spring hearing
      Motion Carried Unanimously
Motion by Ken Anderson, 2nd by James Houck to change the wording on page 7 #9

line 3 of paragraph #9 it now reads
"honored without the delegate having completed the personal data questionnaire."

Change the wording to say:
"honored without the delegate having completed "a current annual personal data questionnaire."

Motion carried unanimously

Page 12 - meeting minutes - time lines - OK
by Kari to delete
Motion by Ray Smith, 2nd by Ken Anderson
to "pass" on this one
Motion Carried Unanimously

Motion by James Houck to amend the agenda to do C  "Proxy Voting" ahead of B
2nd: Dave Larson
Motion Carried Unanimously

C. Proxy Voting
Tony Blattler and James Houck worked
Together to get some information possibilities.
Motion by Dick Baudhuin to accept
the Proxy Voting - Ray Smith Seconded
After much discussion and pros and cons, Dick Koerner said we should postpone the idea for more input from Executive Council. Ray Smith withdrew his 2nd and Dick Bandheir withdrew his motion. Motion by Dick Koerner to postpone this Proxy Vote. Second by Ken Anderson. The motion to postpone this action until the April, 25, 2011 Rules and Resolutions meeting, carried Unanimously.

2B Citizen Resolutions vs. Resolutions from Committees and/or Congress.

Tony Blattler said where is it in the Code of Procedure (COP) that allows a question for the spring hearing be created from scratch on the floor of the Congress? We need to correct what's the practice. Ken Anderson said we should put this on our next agenda.

Page 14-10-c, put on agenda for local resolutions presentation.

Motion by James Houck, 2nd by Ken Anderson to Enforce the COP as written and not allow resolutions other than presented at the Spring Hearings.
Motion carried 5 yea - 2 No

D Advisory Committee Chairs/ Co-Chairs/ Vice Chairs,

Motion by James Houck, 2nd by Ken Anderson, that advisory study committees be assigned a Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary.

Motion carried Unanimously

E Term Limits

Motion by Dick Bauduin to have a 5 year term limit on Executive Council, 5 year term limit on Executive Committee. 2nd by Dave Larson.

Motion carried Unanimously

F Recall Procedures

Motion by Ken Anderson to postpone to a time uncertain.

Second by Ray Smith.

Motion carried unanimously
C. Resolutions “Withdrawn” by county Delegation - after the county vote was taken
   Motion by Dick Bandhuin to take no action
   Second by Dave Larson
   Motion carried 4 yea - 2 No

H. Education Item - District Councilors and/or Committee Chairmen -- Public Comments / Public Meeting -- when is the meeting open to public comments
   Motion by Ken Anderson -- to recommend to the Executive Council that all Study Committees put public comments on their agenda
   Second by James Hoek
   Motion carried unanimously.

J. Members Matters
   Tony Blattler said he encourages all to read the Code of Procedures, COP.

Larson/Smith to adjourn
   Motion carried - unanimously 2:20 PM
   Dick Koerner Secretary
Proxy Voting

Exception, Not the Rule—Can Attend Any Meeting as a Citizen—Listen/Gather Information.

However when an issue that is important to a District/County develops, and a committee member from that District/County is unable to attend—That committee member can notify their “District Counselors” and request that they assign a Proxy vote to another District/County Member.

The District Counselor will contact their fellow District Counselor. If the two of them agree that the Proxy Vote is sufficiently important to their District/County, they can then petition the Executive Committee for a one time Proxy Vote assigned to an individual they have selected and contacted in advance for a Specific Study Committee meeting.

The Executive Committee can discuss and then vote to approve or not approve the Proxy Vote.

If approved the Committee Chairman should verify with the committee secretary the “Proxy Vote/ voter is noted in the Committee meeting minutes. Both for Attendance and the voting record.

Postponed until
April 25 2011
Rules & Resolutions Meeting