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WCCA Meeting Minutes March 15, 2023

Bob Wincek, President called the meeting to order at 7:30pm. The meeting was sponsored by GL SF at Wales/Genesee Lions Club.

The meeting was attended by 15 individuals, comprised of Club Delegates and Wisconsin Conservation Congress Delegates.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Membership was asked if there were any corrections or additions to the February 15, 2022 General Meeting Minutes. Motion by Luling, second by Daluga, to accept the Minutes as published. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Report presented by Farchmin to Membership in attendance. A motion was made by Daluga, second by Schmitt to accept the Treasurer's report, subject to audit. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

The DNR/WCC Open House for Waukesha County will be on April 3, 2023 from 6pm to 9pm. It will be held at the Richard T Anderson Education Center at Waukesha County Technical College (WCTC) at 800 Main St. Pewaukee.

Great Lakes Sports Fishermen Club hosting a Seminar at the New Berlin Ale House on March 25th from 9am to 4pm. For more information go to: www.glsfclub.com/GLSFSeminars

COMMITTEE REPORTS –

DNR (weekly news update dnr.wi.gov) Watch for thin ice!

April 25 6-8pm at the DNR Service Center, Waukesha will be the only meeting for the public to attend reference County Deer Advisory Council (CDAC) decisions for Waukesha County. There will be a public input questionnaire collecting opinions on last season's deer hunt and how the Deer Metrics System data shapes their preference for the 2023 season. Online April 8-16. More to be posted by CDAC as to the website.

Wayne Dehn, Urban CDAC Member, Waukesha County will be resigning after the 2023 decisions are made. Moving out of state. Discussed what he did in the past and that he is looking for a replacement.

Kid's Fishing Clinic

April 15, 2023 Urban Kids Fishing Clinic at Greenfield Park. There are 10 parks in Milwaukee and 1 in Washington County at the same time. OHECYES.ORG will have "Touch of the Wild" Trailers at some of the Clinics.

May 21, 2023, 8am to Noon, Kids Fishing Clinic at Daniel Boone Conservation League Pond. Sponsored by GLSF, WCCA and DBCL. Can always use extra hands to teach the kids.

Conservation Congress

Diedrich

301 Resolutions submitted. Review Committee has until March 19 to work with authors to enhance their resolutions.

Each County will only have their own County Resolutions available for the online input, beginning April 10, 2023 at Noon until Noon on April 13, 2023.

It is **IMPORTANT** that our member Clubs send their members to the Waukesha County Open House on April 3 from 6pm to 9pm. Elections will be held at WCTC Richard T Anderson Education Center , 800 Main St. Pewaukee. Bob Wincek and Randy Farchmin are up for election this year. There will be people there that may run for those spots that do not have the anglers and hunters in their best interests.

Wincek

Gave information about the upcoming Waukesha County CDAC meeting.

Wisconsin Conservation Congress will be holding their 2023 Convention in Oshkosh on May 11, 12, 13. Our District 11 will be hosting this year. Anyone who cares to make a donation towards the hospitality room for food and beverages, it would be appreciated.

Hintz

At the upcoming WCC Migratory Committee Meeting on March 20, 2023 the '23-'25 hunting structure will be finalized. Then it will be reviewed after 2025 every 5 years.

At the District 11 Meeting, the DNR will be restoring 20 acres in the Vernon Marsh wetland.

Lac La Belle "Buffalo Carp" barrier, in which WCCA made a donation to is under construction.

Wardens are starting to wear Body Cameras. Cost is \$10,000 every 5 years. Warden numbers are fewer, due to local Law Enforcement Agencies paying a higher salary.

Farchmin

Emphasized WCCA members notify your Clubs to get fishing and hunting voters to the Open House. Ballots given out between 6pm & 7pm. Vote takes place at 7pm.

Ford

No report.

Scholarship

Have not responded that they got current mailing address for the WCCA. Diedrich to re contact.

Wisconsin Wildlife Federation

Tom Daluga, District 9 Chairman, gave the following report:

District 8 and District 9 have canceled their banquet at the Dousman Community Center. Only had 66 responses and they needed 100 attendees.

WWF Convention will be held at the Hotel Mead in Wisconsin Rapids on April 14-15. Need to know by March 22 if you need a dinner ticket.

2023 Banquet

There were emails received that some attendees did not like the lack of parking at the Delafield Brew House, especially with the icy conditions. There were 2 other banquets set up on the Main level after WCCA booked theirs in the lower-level banquet hall.

The Committee will address that issue with the Brew House for next year. Possibly we can work out a shuttle system and encourage our guests to come early.

Brew House was pleased with our Banquet. We ended in a timely fashion and cleaned up after ourselves.

OLD BUSINESS

Still looking for Sponsor Clubs for upcoming meeting dates. August, September, November and December are open.

When your Club sends in their Membership fee, final notice, have them include emails from Board Members so reminders and important information can be sent out.

Member dues are due! The form is available on the website. Print and mail in with \$25 for a business and/or Club.

<http://www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com/1979/custom/62337>

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion on the 2023 upgrade from the Website Support Center. Graphics for the WCCA Header will not be the same size as before. To have the proper size Header the company will create a custom header. Must have an answer by July. Motion by Schmittinger, second by Tackes to pay the \$95 fee for Option B. Motion carried.

At this time Waukesha County does not have any youth involved in the Wisconsin Conservation Congress Youth Conservation Congress. This is an extremely worthwhile group to become involved with advocating for Wisconsin's natural resources. They can gain incredible experience working with professionals, learn how to make their voice heard and kick-start a career in natural resources. Please check with your Clubs to see if any youth would be interested in joining the YCC. See link below to review the YCC programs.

<https://dnr.wi.gov/about/wcc/ycc.html>

A few years ago, WCCA sponsored a youth for the Youth Conservation Congress. She is now out in Montana and is working with the local DNR to set up a Montana Conservation Congress, modeled after the Wisconsin Conservation Congress. Wisconsin is the only State that has a volunteer, civilian Conservation Congress.

Had a copy available of an article that Paul Smith authored for the March 12th Journal Sentinel about the funds coming to Wisconsin from the Pittman-Robertson Act and the Dingell-Johnson Act. Record amount of \$46.8 million. It will be used for wildlife and habitat conservation and outdoor pursuits for recreational access.

NEED SPONSORS FOR 2023 MEETINGS

Meetings – As always, please consider having your Club host a meeting. Each Club needs to take a slot. Please look at the schedule of meeting dates and sign up. If you do not have a clubhouse available, efforts will be made to find a venue.

Website – Send your club information to Bob Wincek to be placed on the WCCA website. Even if you don't have a website, your information: meeting date/time and club location, can be visible through the WCCA's website. A club or business of the month will be on display. Get your information to Bob. Send in game pictures! Please go to the website to help increase the search engine ranking: www.waukeshacountyconservationalliance.com.

MEMBER MATTERS

WCCA is scheduled to have their Habitat Shoot on August 26, 2023 at Wern Valley. Due to another commitment, Al Shook will not be able to run the WCCA sporting clays raffle. WCCA needs 2 volunteers to sell raffle tickets and run this fund raiser for the WCCA. Usually have a sporting clays firearm for the raffle. Further discussion at the April WCCA meeting. Please contact Al if you have questions. Al Shook 414-218-0774

Jay Moore spoke about the Waukesha County Farm Bureau. He is a member and a liaison for sportsmen and the farmers. The Bureau has monthly meetings and discuss items such as: water conditions due to run off of fertilizer, they meet with politicians and have youth programs. He would like the WCCA to become a member of the Farm Bureau and they will reciprocate by joining WCCA. First year membership is free for WCCA as well as, any individual member who would like to join. Second year dues are \$50. They have a website that covers all their programs and a Monthly Newsletter for Southeast Wisconsin.

April 5, 2023 the Historical Society at the Waukesha County Museum in downtown Waukesha will be having a fundraiser for the Farm Bureau.

Motion by Shook for WCCA to join the Waukesha County Farm Bureau, second by Diedrich. Motion carried.

April 4, 2023 from 1-3pm Wincek and Diedrich will be attending a round table in Madison with the new DNR Secretary, Adam Payne and Diane Brusoe, Fish, Wildlife & Parks Division Administrator along with heads of many of the major Conservation Groups from Wisconsin (Pheasants Forever, WWF, Ruffed Grouse, Whitetails Unlimited, etc.). Purpose is to meet and greet Payne and Brusoe and provide what are our ongoing conservation priorities and projects.

GOOD/WELFARE

Randy Farchmin going in for his second knee replacement on April 20th.

Tom Daluga's granddaughter, age 4, has already had 3 open heart surgeries and is doing so well may not need anymore, at least not until she is 7-8 years of age.

NEXT MEETING:

April 19, 2023 Mapleton Hook & Shell at Okauchee Legion Post #399. N50W34750 Wisconsin Ave., Okauchee 53069.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Jorgenson second by Luling. Motion carried.

Adjourned at 858pm.

**Respectfully submitted,
MarySusan Diedrich, Secretary**

MEETING SCHEDULE:

April 19, 2023	Mapleton Hook & Shell at Okauchee Legion Post #399, N50W34750 Wisconsin Ave., Okauchee 53069
May 17, 2023	Wern Valley – Site to be determined.
June 21, 2023	Milwaukee Casting Club at3 Milwaukee Casting Club.
July 19, 2023	Women's Hunting and Sporting at Milwaukee Casting Club
August 16, 2023	
September 20, 2023	
October 18, 2023	DBCL at Daniel Boone Conservation League, 4694 Hwy 167, Hubertus.
November 8, 2023	
December 20, 2023	

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