



Executive Committee     District Leadership Council     Annual Meeting

**Wisconsin Conservation Congress  
 Meeting Minutes**

<b>ORDER OF BUSINESS</b>	05/12/2023	9:00 AM	Best Western Waterfront Oshkosh
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**I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

<b>Meeting called to order by</b>	Rob Bohmann at 9:00 AM
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**B. ROLL CALL**

<b>ATTENDEES</b>	All counties present unless in the excused or unexcused box.
<b>EXCUSED</b>	
<b>UNEXCUSED</b>	Iron County , Menominee County , Richland County.
<b>GUESTS</b>	

**C. Presentation of colors**

**DNR color guard**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>ACTION</b>	As stated .

**D. Pledge of Allegiance**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>ACTION</b>	As stated .

**E. Adoption of rules of order**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
<b>ACTION</b>	Motion by Waukesha second by Chippewa To adopt Roberts Rules of Order. Vice chairman to be Parliamentarian. Motion carried.

**F. Agenda approval for repair**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Motion by Dodge County second by Columbia County to adopt the agenda with flexibility to allow for speakers scheduled .
<b>ACTION</b>	Motion carried . Secretary's note : order of minutes are as stated in agenda, and may not necessarily reflect the order they were taken.

**G. Memorial Resolutions**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	The following delegates have passed on to their great reward; Jim Heffner Oneida County. Michael Whiteside Burnett County. Ralph Fritsch Oconto County. Frank Reith Clark County. Bernie Engelbert Florence County. Bill Howe Crawford County. Larry Vanderhoef Waushara County. Kenneth Verlein Sauk County. MarkKrpmotich Waukesha County. David Hraychuck Polk County.
<b>ACTION</b>	A copy of the memorial resolution will be sent to the next of kin.

**II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS**

**A. The chairs address to the 2023 delegation**

**Rob Bohmann**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Rob stated that we had about 700 resolutions that came in for the 2023 spring hearing. The committee did a wonderful job getting them down to a working level and talking with authors on edits. The 3/2 rule was removed at the DLC meeting prior to the convention . A letter from Ed Harvey will be talked about later on in the convention. Rob also stated that past chairman Murphy was right and he agrees with the fact that the environmental committee needs to be the busiest working WCC Committee in the state, but for all these actions to take place and continue the heritage of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress we need your help .
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only. No action taken.

PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

**B. Natural Resources Board chairs comments** William Smith, NRB chair

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Stated as NRB chair he is here to listen and learn. Bill thanked everyone for your hard work as county state and national leaders in your community. He also wanted to thank us as a statutory body he feels strongly that we bring change to our state and he is a fan of the WCC ,it is a very hard working body. His priorities as A board were stated as follows call:                      to have a better working relationship so that we can focus on solutions to issues.                      to make sure that a board meeting is not only cordial and friendly but responsive to needs.                      We are all partners in the issue and we need to make progress and not be a stereo type so that we strike the right balance and if it doesn't work out the right way the first time try again until it's successful.                      The open houses were not successful and well supported but a step forward in communication. It did show a proactive attempt at improving a constructive working relationship with the public.                      He sees a renewal in the energy of the Congress and together we will work to get the job done. He would like the WCC to spread its vision in all the management issues that we talk about as a department.                      Many comments were made about:                      CWD and CDAC issues in Waupaca County.                      Pepin County commented that the landowners control the deer harvest due to the number of private farms in the county.                      Crawford County CDAC stated that it like many other counties need more tools for their toolbox and they urged that the department request that the Oversight of the Cervid herds be brought under DNR control.</p>
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only. No action taken.
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

**C. DNR Secretaries comments** Adam Payne, DNR secretary

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Secretary Payne stated he was happy and proud to be appointed as secretary. 89 years of Wisconsin Conservation Congress history as a state mandated organization is a great milestone .As a youth he grew up hunting fishing and trapping and working on his grandfather's farm. He stated that we need to work together and collaborate to protect and enhance our resources . He recognized NRB Chair William Smith and vice chair being in attendance this morning.                      He stated that the collaboration includes talking to the Legislature has specially state senators to get things done and he's not worrying about the politics. Wisconsin is blessed with an abundance of natural resources, we need to enhance these resources for further generations. We're third in the US for fishing and with the convention here in Oshkosh, we are at the third largest lake in the state and with the largest sturgeon population in the country . We have the best black bear hunting in the nation and our elk population has continued to grow. As the DNR Secretary I need to continue to strengthen the system and everyone in Wisconsin should have the right to clean water in the state . The department needs to be more prepared to help people. We need to support our warden staff and you'll hear more about that from our chief warden.                      Thank you for allowing me to address you and I look forward to working with you in the future.                      There were many questions asked of the secretary the following we're asked :                      When will a finalization of the wolf management plan be available?                      There were specific questions on a wind farm proposal in Clark County                      When a county needs a \$5 million upgrade in a water septic system for 2500 people how are we coming up with that kind of money ?</p>
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only. no action taken.
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**D. Wildlife management update and spring hearing questions** Eric Lobner, Wildlife Bureau Director  
and Scott Karell, Wildlife Rules

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Department staff reviewed the nine questions that were offered for public input.                      For the WCC position on questions one through nine having to do with wildlife management please look at section K .</p>
<b>ACTION</b>	As stated above.
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**E. Fisheries management spring hearing questions** Justine Hasz Fisheries Bureau  
DirectorAnd Meredith Penthorn  
Fisheries rules

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<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Department staff reviewed the 38 questions that were offered for public input.	
	For the WCC position on questions 10 through 38 having to do with fisheries questions please look at section K .	
<b>ACTION</b>	as stated above.	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**F. Office of Applied Science**

Greg Sass, OAS Fisheries Research  
Team Leader

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Those interested in a detailed description of the report may contact Congress liaison office for zoom copy of meeting.	
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only. No action taken.	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**G. Announcement of 2023- 2024 District leadership Council elections**

Bowmann

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	the following delegates have been elected for the 2023 - 2024 district leadership council positions :	
	District 1 Rick Olson	Joe Weiss.
	District 2 Al Brown	Brad Hopp.
	District 3 Kurt Justice	Mike Ellsworth.
	District 4 Dale Ebert	Ron Krueger SR.
	District 5 Kevin Smaby	Terri Roehrig.
	District 6 Stan Brownell	Al Lobner.
	District 7 Dale Maas	Mike Arrowood.
	District 8 Brett Weir	Read Kabewlowski.
	District 9 Tony Grabski	Mike Rodgers.
	District 10 Scott Letterman	Paul Reith.
	District 11 Eugene Altwies	Rob Bohmann
<b>ACTION</b>	As stated, no action taken.	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**H. Governor Evers video addressed to the WCC**

[PRESENTER]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Those interested in a detailed description of the report may contact Congress liaison office for zoom copy of meeting.	
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only. No action taken.	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**I. Division of Public Safety and Resource Protection program update**

Casey Krueger, Chief Warden

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Those interested in a detailed description of the report may contact Congress liaison office for zoom copy of meeting.	
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only. No action taken.	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**J. Forestry program update**

Ryan Severson, District Forestry Leader

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Those interested in a detailed description of the report may contact Congress liaison office for zoom copy of meeting.	
<b>ACTION</b>	Information only. No action taken.	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**K. WCC Spring hearing questions**

Rob Bowmann

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Wildlife management questions :	
	1) Use of F shot, motion by Ozaukee County second by Jefferson County to advance, motion carried.	
	2) Expanding youth season, motion by Waukesha County second by Rusk County to advance . Motion failed Motion by Pepin County second by Washington County to reject, motion carried. question rejected.	
	3)Division of game into pieces before leaving field, motion by Dane County Second by Waukesha County to advance, motion carried.	

- 4) Trapper Ed fee increase, motion by Dodge County second by Rusk County to advance motion carried.
- 5) Junior Antlerless tag holders allowed to hunt public and private, motion by Calumet County second by Ozaukee County to advance, motion carried.
- 6) Help for disabled trappers, motion by Monroe County Second by Wood County to advance, motion carried.
- 7) To allow individuals to shoot a bear in the act of attacking a domestic animal on private lands, Motion by Green Lake County second by Sawyer County to advance, motion carried.
- 8) Allow the department to issue an either sex disease deer replacement permit, motion by Outagamie County second by Kenosha County to advance , motion carried.
- 9) Add Brown County to the list of counties to restrict target shooting on DNR owned lands, motion by Price County second by Brown to advance, motion carried.
- Fisheries management questions :
- 10) . Statewide season structure for musky, motion by La Crosse County second by Waukesha County to reject motion carried. question rejected.
- 11) Statewide Walleye /Sauger limit inland waters, motion by Dane County second by Brown County to advance , motion carried.
- 12) Mandatory self registration for small tournaments, motion by Kewaunee County second by Calumet County to advance, motion carried.
- 13) Walleye three fish length limit Taylor and Sawyer counties, motion by Waukesha County second by Pierce County to advance, motion carried.
- 14) Change White and Yellow bass limit on St Croix River, motion by Polk County second by Monroe County to advance , motion carried.
- 15) Channel catfish length limit St Croix River, motion by St Croix County second by Polk County to advance, motion carried.
- 16) Cajun Northern Pike bag limit on St Croix River . Motion by St Croix County second by Pierce County to advance, motion carried .
- 17) Change of bag limit on Walleye and Sauger on St Croix River . Motion by Price County second by Pepin county to advance , motion carried.
- 18) Change bag limit to 15 pan fish on St Croix River . Motion by St Croix County second by Pepin County to advance , motion carried.
- 19) Favor applying a continuous open game fish season not including (Muskie and Lake Sturgeon) to the St Croix River . motion by Pierce County second by Polk County to reject , motion carried . Question rejected.
- 20) Fish refuge St Croix River . motion by Barron County second by Price County to advance, motion carried.
- 21) Fish refuge on the Illinois - Fox River in the city of Waukesha . motion by Waukesha County second by Racine County to advance , motion carried.
- 22) 18 inch minimum length of 1 bass in Lake Wilkie Manitowoc County . motion by Manitowoc County second by Washington County to advance , motion carried.
- 23) 25 - 35 inch protected slot northern Pike Lake Wilkie Manitowoc County . motion by Manitowoc County second by Kewaunee County to advance, motion carried.
- 24) Three fish 18 inch limit walleye Lake Wilkie Manitowoc County . motion by Price County second by Kewaunee County to advance, motion carried.
- 25) Applying bag limit of five trout total no minimum length on Brown and Rainbow trout Beaver Creek Sauk County. Motion by Sauk County second by Monroe County to advance, motion carried.
- 26) Daily bag limit of five trout no minimum length on Brown and Rainbow trout zero bag Brook trout Beaver Creek Sauk County . Motion by St Croix County second by Price County to advance , motion carried.
- 27) Minimum length of 50 inches bag of one for muskie in Wisconsin River Marathon and Portage County, waters in Oconomowoc in Illinois - Fox River watersheds Waukesha County, Plum Lake Vilas County Turtle Flambeau Floage and connected water bodies from Iron and Vilas County . Motion by Marathon County second by Portage County to advance, motion carried.
- 28) Five fish no minimum length limit for Large mouth and Small mouth on Rost and Wescott Lakes Oconto County, motion by Oconto County second by Price County to advance, motion carried.
- 29) Daily bag of 10 northern Pike on Tiger Cat chain, spider chain, Lake Chippewa and Lac Courte Oreilles chain in Sawyer County . Motion by Sawyer County second by Outagamie county to advance, motion carried.
- 30) 26 inch minimum length limit and a bag limit of two for Northern Pike in Largon Lake, Polk County. Motion by Price County second by Outagamie County to advance, motion carried.
- 31) No minimum size and five daily bag for Northern Pike in Pearl Lake, Waushara County and the White River system, Marquette and Waushara County. Motion by Dodge County second by Milwaukee County to advance, motion carried.
- 32) 25 - 35 inch protected slot and two fish daily bag limit for Northern Pike to Silver Lake, Waushara County and Wood Lake, Marquette County. Motion by Waushara County second by Wood County to advance, motion carried.
- 33) A daily bag limit of 10 in total for pan fish in Black Hawk Lake, Iowa County and Turtle Lake, Walworth County. Motion by Washington County second by Walworth County to advance, motion carried.
- WCC questions:
- 34) Change in pan fish bag limit for Lake Mendota in Dane County . Motion by Dane County second by Walworth County to advance , motion carried.

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	<p>35) Year around panfish bag limit of 15 no more than five per specie to Osprey and Island Lakes in Sawyer County. motion by Sawyer County second by Burnett County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>36) Daily bag limit of five panfish, only one of which may be over 12 inches , to Moose Lake in Sawyer County. Motion by Sawyer County second by Walworth County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>37) Adding the Unnamed pond on the village of Suamico property in Brown County to DNR urban and community fishing program. Motion by Outagamie County second by Brown County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>38 Allow personal bait harvest of minnows from VHS waters . motion by Lacrosse County second by Pepin County to advance , as written in booklet . Motion carried .</p> <p>39) Lake Wausau Northern Pike slot limit 370722 . motion by Milwaukee County second by Waukesha County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>40)Wisconsin northern Pike ice spearing to 80422, 380822, 540822, 570822, 590222, 661020, 711622. Motion by Sheboygan County seconded by Manitowoc County to advance voice vote was challenged a paddle vote was taken 35 votes to advance to 28 no. motion carried.</p> <p>41) Pan fish daily bag limit on Pelican Lake, Oneida County 441222 motion by Lincoln County second by Washington County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>42)Bass size and bag limit on Pelican Lake, Oneida County . 440322. motion by Price County second by Washington County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>43) Reducing the pan fish daily bag limit on the Wisconsin Rivers Rainbow Flowage. 441322 . motion by Oconto County second by Vilas County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>44) Panfish protection on Marl Lake, Waushara County . 700222. Motion by Waushara County second by Kenosha County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>45) Reduce panfish bag limit on Norri Lake Marathon County to 10 fish. 370922 . Motion by Washington County second by Ozaukee County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>46) Reducing panfish bag limit to 10 on the Spirit River Floyd . 371122. Motion by Waushara County second by Ozaukee County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>47) Change Forest County trolling regulations to align with northernmost counties , one hook, or lure per person: three lines maximum per boat . 210222 . Motion by Lincoln County second by Kenosha County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>48) Fishing with hook and line in a sturgeon hole . 200622. Motion by Washington County second by Outagamie County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>49) Pan fish limits on Delta Lake, Bayfield County . 041622. Motion by Waushara County second by Kenosha County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>50) Chippewa River Lake Wisconsin, Daily Panfish Crappie bag limit decrease . 090122. Motion by Pepin County second by Chippewa County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>51) Knead Lake, Clark County, Panfish bag limit initiative. 100322 , 100 622. motion by Clark County second by Juno County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>52) Bio solids testing and initiatives. 160522. Motion by Dane County second by Adams County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>53) Reinstate prove it first mining law - 1997 act 171 . 451222. requires legislation. Motion by Brown County second by Door County to advance , motion carried .</p> <p>54) Restrict lead fishing tackle in Wisconsin. 681922, 650322, 641522, 530922, 521122, 441522, 412622, 340422, 330422 , 300622, 280322, 250422, 133422, 110922, 042022, 020622. Motion by Washington County seconded by Fond Du Lac County to reject Results were challenged paddle called for the result was 33 to advance 29 to reject. Motion advances.</p> <p>55) And lead poisoning of bald eagles. 630322, 600822, 570422,530422, 420722, 411722, 380322, 370522, 360322, 240322, 230322, 200522, 180622, 131722, 120322, 110222, 0801 22 041222, 010422. Motion by Eau Claire County second by Oneida County to advance, motion carried.</p>
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<b>ACTION</b>	
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**L. Additional questions**

[PRESENTER]

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>56) DNR support for clean water . 710522 , 680722, 630222, 600422, 570322, 530322, 520422, 460322, 450322, 440422 , 420222, 4111222, 350222, 320622, 310222, 290122, 260222, 220222, 170322, 131122, 120222, 090222, 040722, 010322. Motion by Kenosha County second by Door County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>57) Ban shining of wild animals from September 15th to December 31st . 090322. Requires legislation. Motion by Waupaca County second by Greene County to advance motion failed . Motion by Lincoln County second by Oconto County to reject , motion carried . Question rejected.</p> <p>58) Increase the number of days for the state youth spring turkey hunt from 2 to four . 37 06 22 . Motion by Washington County second by Waushara County to advance , motion failed. A paddle vote was requested Resulting in 32 in favor 33 against , motion failed . Question rejected.</p>
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	<p>59) Wanton waste . requires legislation. Motion by Waupaca County second by St Croix County to advance , motion carried .</p> <p>60) Bobcat shooting hour restrictions. 060222, 620422 . requires legislation. Motion by Outagamie County second by Dodge County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>61) Extending the Beaver season. 720422. Motion by Wood County second by Jefferson County to advance , motion failed motion by Barron County second by Oconto County to reject , motion carried question rejected.</p> <p>62) Use of infrared light for scanning for predators. 350522. Requires legislation. motion by Lacrosse County second by Kenosha County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>63) Do you support wakeboats causing hazardous wakes on lakes larger than 15,000 acres to be more than 700 feet from shore or other water users? 133822 . Motion by a Oneida County second by Dane County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>64) Do you support prohibiting wakeboards from causing hazardous wakes on lakes less than 15 thousand acres? 133922. Motion by Sawyer County second by St Croix County to advance , motion carried .</p> <p>65) Would you support the WCC and legislature working to amend existing statutes that prohibit operation of a boat that intentionally creates a hazardous wake within 700 feet of any dock, raft, pier, Bouyed restriction area , shoreline and any other watercraft? 640822. Motion by Outagamie County second by Dunn County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>66) Would you support the WCC and Legislature creating a new state statute that prohibits operation of a boat that intentionally creates a hazardous wake on lakes of a specific physical characteristics defined by size, depth, length and width? 640922. Motion by Oneida County second by Jefferson County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>67) Would you support the WCC and legislature working to amend existing statutes to prohibit methods for intentionally magnifying wakes for wake surfing on lakes less than 1500 acres? 641122. motion by Jefferson County second by Rock County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>68) Would you support the WCC and legislature working to amend existing statutes to prohibit methods for intentionally magnifying wakes for wake surfing in Presque Isles Township, Vilas County? 641222. Motion by Vilas County second by Price County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>69) Simplifying the permit system for holding a field trial event on class 2 dog training grounds . 110522, 68 2112. Motion by Dodge County second by Dane County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>70) Require the annual purchase of a grouse stamp authorization to hunt grouse in Wisconsin. Motion Ozaukee County second Vernon County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>71) Hunter orange requirement for Upland Bird Hunting. Requires legislation . Motion by Grant County second by Iowa County to advance, motion carried.</p> <p>72) Options to gauge hunter preferences for firearm deer season.72 a period motion by Lacrosse County second by Pierce County to reject , motion carried. Question rejected!.72 B. Motion by Jefferson County second by Oconto County to reject motion carried .Question rejected. 72 C. Motion by Calumet second by Monroe to advance , motion carried .</p> <p>73) Create a random drawing for bonus antlerless deer authorization . 210122 . requires legislation. Motion by Milwaukee County second by Forest County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>74) "Vetson the Lake" , veterans free fishing weekend . 160122. requires legislation . motion by Waukesha County second by Pepin County to advance , motion carried.</p> <p>75) Stricter water quality and depth regulations for mill ponds on trout streams and rivers. requires legislation. motion by Dodge County second by Calumet County to advance , motion carried.</p>
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ACTION	As stated above .	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**M. Working collaboratively to shape the future**

Terry Roehrig WCC vice chair and  
Carrie Lee Zimmermann , WCC Liaison

DISCUSSION	Those interested in a detailed description of the report may contact Congress liaison office for zoom copy of meeting.	
ACTION	Information only.No action taken.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**N. Resolution review process update and code of procedure changes.**

Kevin Smaby

DISCUSSION	Kevin reported that all of the resolutions were condensed and assigned to a committee that appears in the convention book. Motion by Monroe County second by Grand County to adopt the bundling process and committee assignments as is stated in the book. Motion carried.	
ACTION	As stated above.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**O. Awarding of Friends of WCC Travel Grant to Mohece**

Rob Bowman

DISCUSSION	At this time chairman Bowman issued a \$4000 travel grant donation by the Friends of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress .	
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<b>ACTION</b>	As stated.	
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**P. Learn to hunt bear tag recipient announced** Mike Rogers

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Mike Rogers Chairman of the Bear Committee stated that there were nine essays submitted by candidates interested in the learn to hunt bear tag opportunity. This year's winner was Laura Reinhart .	
<b>ACTION</b>	As stated.	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**Q. Presentation of years of service awards** Rob Bohmann

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>The following people were awarded a 15 years of service award:</p> <p>Stefan Kenesie, Kenosha County.          Tom Johnson, Douglas County.          James Winkler, Wood County.          Lisa Wilson, Menominee County.          Charlie Brown, Rock County.          Arland Heistad, Langley County.          Eugene Altwies, Kenosha County.          Christopher Wegner, Ozaukee County.          Brett Weir, Washington County.</p> <p>The following delegates were awarded 20 year certificates:          Mike Nicholson Portage County.          Douglas Williams Columbia County.</p> <p>The following delegate was awarded a 25 year certificate.          Al Lobner Wood County.</p> <p>The following delegate was awarded a 30 year certificate:          Ray Heidel La Cross County.</p> <p>The following delegate was awarded a 35 year certificate:          Scott Strook Fond du lac County.</p>	
<b>ACTION</b>	As stated above. Motion by Ozaukee County second by Dodge County to adjourn till tomorrow . Motion carried. Adjourned at 4:00 PM .	
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**R. Day 2 called to order by Chairman Rob Bowmann** Rob Bowmann

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<p>Called to order at 9:00 AM May 13th, 2023</p> <p>Roll call was taken and the following counties marked as absent: Ashland, Iron , Marionette, Marquette, Menominee , Richland, Rusk , Shawano, and Taylor County .</p> <p>The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all delegates present.</p> <p>At this time the announcements of the 2023 - 2024 WCC Executive Committee is as follows:</p> <p>Rob Bowmann Chair          Joe Weiss Vice Chair          Dale Maas Secretary          Paul Reith First Alternate          Terry Roehrig Second Alternate</p>	
<b>ACTION</b>		
<b>PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE</b>		<b>DEADLINE</b>

**S. Spring hearing and open house pilot project recap and next steps** Kari Lee Zimmermann

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	Kari gave an overview of what the pilot project was intended. At that time about a third of the county's present helped to form a general consensus; that being it was a nice effort for people to be able to talk to fisheries, wildlife and law enforcement people	
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	about their issues. Most of the counties were at best lightly attended. With anywhere from 15 to two people on average . It was asked that we figure out a way to go back to the in person input as was done in the past.	
ACTION	Information only . No action taken.	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

### III. MEMBERS MATTERS

DISCUSSION	<p>Many of the counties continued on with their thoughts about the open house process and how it merited some additional discussion . By unanimous consent there was much support to go back to the in person option for those that were interested enough to attend. It is vital that we have that interaction with the constituents of our counties .</p> <p>Cross County was concerned about the lack of minutes on the Congress web page. The secretary stated that he was going through a rough time with not only his own health but that of his wife and that they had reached out to a couple of people to give a helping hand getting the minutes updated. Sheboygan County asked what happened to the 3/2 clause in the resolutions? That was handled at the DLC meeting prior to the convention. A motion was made by Maas second by Lobner to delete that portion of the clause at that meeting. At that time a motion and a second was made to continue discussion from the floor of the convention . After review by the chair, parliamentarian and DNR attorney, the motion was ruled out of order since it was not on the agenda .</p>
ACTION	Motion by Washington County second by La Crosse county to adjourn . Motion Carried. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 AM

### IV. ADJOURNMENT

MEETING ADJOURNED	10:30 AM
SUBMITTED BY	Dale C. Maas
DATE	08/20/2023