



Wisconsin Conservation Congress  
 District 8 Spring Meeting  
 Meeting Minutes

**WCC Meeting Minutes**  
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<b>ORDER OF BUSINESS</b>	05/11/2021	6:30 pm	Zoom Virtual Meeting
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**I. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

Meeting called to order by	Brett Weir at 6:30 pm
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**B. ROLL CALL**

ATTENDEES	Cassandra Erickson, David Tupa, Greg Coulthurst, Thomas Savage, Paul Witalison, Don Anderson, Peter Mueller, Dale Detampel, Ronald Fassbender, Cody Lukes, Larry Bonde, Dan Cichantek, Brad Martinson, Vanessa Brotske, Reed Kabelowsky, Christopher Wegner, James Wierzba, Nick Gall, Sara Kampf, Tom Christman, Brett Weir, Tashina Peplinski, Bernard Newman, John Edelblute, Charles Dreher
EXCUSED	
UNEXCUSED	Christopher Jenquin, Thomas Berg, Erich Mayer, Keith Propson, Andy Geiger, Mike Burkart, Gary Reidy,
GUESTS	Corky Meyer, Jerome Donohoe, Kari Lee-Zimmerman

**C. AGENDA APPROVAL/REPAIR**

DISCUSSION	
ACTION	

**D. REVIEW COMMITTEE MISSION STATEMENT**

DISCUSSION	
ACTION	

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

DISCUSSION	
ACTION	

**II. INFORMATION & ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Election of District Councilors**

[PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION	Brett Weir Nominated by Larry Bonde, Brett accepts. Motion by Larry to waive the rules and cast a unanimous ballot, second by Tupa. Motion Carries. Tashina Peplinski nominated by Cassandra. Tashina accepts. Motion by Dave Klock to waive the rules and cast a unanimous ballot, second by Paul Witalison. Motion Carries.	
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**B. Review of results of 2021 Spring Hearing**

[PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION	1. Yes 2. Yes 3. Yes 4. Yes 5. Yes 6. Yes 7. Yes 8. Yes 9. Yes 10. Yes 11. Yes 12. Yes
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	<p>13. Yes</p> <p>14. Yes - Dave Tupa raised a concern that year after year more and more waters are being put to trophy musky limits, however most reach max size at about 50-54".</p> <p>15. Yes</p> <p>16. Yes</p> <p>17. Yes</p> <p>18. Yes</p> <p>19. Yes</p> <p>20. Yes</p> <p>21. Yes</p> <p>22. Yes</p> <p>23. Yes</p> <p>24. Yes</p> <p>25. Yes</p> <p>26. Yes</p> <p>27. Yes</p> <p>28. Yes</p> <p>29. Yes</p> <p>30. Yes</p> <p>31. Yes</p> <p>32. Yes</p> <p>33. Reed brought up the discrepancy of the counties that have an over abundant population of white deer voted yes, but the counties that don't have many or any voted no. Larry asked the councilors to talk to the wildlife biologists' input at the DLC meeting, and ask for clarification between lucianism and albinoism. Asked how to tell the difference and Reed discussed some of the ways to tell the difference, the color of the nose being a big focus. Discussion on what percentage of the population is white. Possibility of having a white deer management on the county level. District 8 residents - majority said yes (575 yes / 425 no). People who recreate in District 8 - majority said yes. Motion to support and advance this question to the DLC made by Reed, second by Larry. Motion Carried.</p> <p>34. Yes</p> <p>35. Yes</p> <p>36. No</p> <p>37. Yes</p> <p>38. Yes</p> <p>39. Yes</p> <p>40. Yes</p> <p>41. Yes</p> <p>42. Yes</p> <p>43. Yes</p> <p>44. Yes</p> <p>45. Yes</p> <p>46. Yes</p> <p>47. Yes</p> <p>48. Yes</p> <p>49. Yes</p> <p>50. Yes</p> <p>51. Yes</p> <p>52. Yes</p> <p>53. Yes</p> <p>54. Yes</p> <p>55. Yes</p> <p>56. Yes</p> <p>57. Yes</p>
ACTION	
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE

DISCUSSION	No comments	
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**D. Finalize district committee assignments**

[PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION	Went through each county and who needed to respond yet.	
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**E. Update on county leadership elections**

[PRESENTER]

DISCUSSION	This year there are no elections. We are hoping that by next year we will have in-person elections. If your county wants to have internal elections for Chair / Vice-Chair and wants anonymous ballots to talk to Kari.	
ACTION		
PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE

**III. MEMBERS MATTERS**

DISCUSSION	<p>Reed requested to have the new delegates introduce themselves.</p> <p>Ed asked when the full text for the citizen resolutions will be available, and when will committee assignments be posted.</p> <p>Reed talked about the YCC addressing some of these resolutions and sending their recommendations to the appropriate committee. He talked about all the "Ban" resolutions, and maybe having an "ethics" committee.</p> <p>Vanessa UW Green Bay has an heirloom plant sale that you can order online and pick up thurs-sat and all the money raised goes to supporting students doing research.</p> <p>Greg Coulthurst asked about addressing the white deer issue on a county level.</p> <p>Chris Wegner was happy to have a full delegate roster for this meeting. He also questioned all the different fishing rules that are lake specific becoming complicated and straying from the goal of simplified regulation.</p> <p>Trapper Dan questioned the use of "shot gun" resolutions becoming too common, and seems counter productive.</p> <p>Larry Bonde talked about license simplification that he is still working on as past chair. Duck stamp is the only license fee increase that ended up in the Governor's budget, but it appears the legislature is going to scrap the Governor's proposed budget and start over, and he is looking for support within the legislature to keep the increase. He thinks he might have support for a sandhill crane season, but nothing for sure.</p> <p>John Edelbute talked about using dogs on a leash to blood track deer and that this now has a national impact according to the NRA.</p> <p>Bernie Newman questioned some of the new citizen resolutions and watching what is being brought forward.</p> <p>Brett Weir commented on a lot of concerns being brought forward based on emotions and misinformation more than on facts. He talked about focusing on being an effective delegate, being involved and supporting our mission.</p>
ACTION	Motion to adjourn by Bernie Newman, second by John Edelbute

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

MEETING ADJOURNED	8:05 pm
SUBMITTED BY	Tashina Peplinski
DATE	05/11/2021