

WCCA BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
Spring Conference – March 14, 2024 @ 4:30 p.m.
Fairfield Inn & Suites – 7100 Stone Ridge Dr., Weston, WI 54476

President Gaedtke called meeting to order at 4:18 pm.

Present board members and district reps introduced themselves.

Gaedtke called for changes or additions to the agenda. Thiele made a motion to amend the agenda to include the approval of the 2024 Operating Budget. Seconded by Meuer, motion carried.

Mrdutt made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 26, 2023, Business Meeting, seconded by Thiele. Motion carried.

Schaffer makes treasurer's report, \$3,067.70 in Scholarship, \$18,344.8 in Money Market and \$27,584.27 in Checking Account; expenses for the Spring Conference still need to be paid. Jenrich makes motion to approve treasurer's report, seconded by Sadenwasser. Motion carried.

President Gaedtke announces the 2024 Fall Conference Location and Date. It will be located at Manitowoc's Par 5 Resort October 23-25th, 2024. The Executive Board will meet the night of the 23rd and the conference will be the 24th and 25th.

Discussion had on how the executive board can promote WCCA and how to increase nomination participation for executive board members. There will be a survey sent out after the conference looking for suggestions or ideas.

Discussion was had on the WCCA 60-year celebration. The logo license expires in 2027. The logo design competition will start accepting logo designs in the Fall of 2025 and will be judged the following Spring. There is a \$250.00 grand prize for the winner of the logo design. If members vote to keep the existing logo the grand prize money may be put towards a larger door prize item.

President Gaedtke reports that almost all of the positions on committees are full. Tyler Betry from Sheboygan County has filled the Liaison position for WI Land and Water.

President Gaedtke reports on notes from the Annual Executive Board Meeting. Gaedtke gives a report on the letters that were sent on behalf of WCCA and that those letters will be posted on the website for members to review. CeCe Rudnicki approached WCCA with an idea to partner in a grant proposal to help with monitoring of septic systems and potentially education on septic systems

for property owners. WCCA membership fees have not increased after review of the budget and financial trends in 2023. No refunds will be given out to WCCA members after the registration deadline date on all training opportunities. Under new guidelines from DSPS if a certified soil tester wants continuing education credits, they must report their SP number on the continuing education sign in sheet.

Program Conference Coordinator Report - Chris Meuer reports that some potential Fall Conference topics may include how to deal with burnout and permitting and Amish.

Legislation/Education Committee Report – Thiele reports the legislation regarding fowl has failed. Legislation regarding town opting out is moving forward. Thiele has met and is discussing a better way to communicate with our State Agency Liaisons. If you know of legislation or bills that you would like tracked or discussed, please send them to Thiele.

Webpage/Decoder Committee Report – Betry was not present to report. There will be updates coming soon.

Conference Activity Committee Report- Schaffer reports that the committee is filled with members. There are door prizes and bucket raffles available tonight, so please bring some cash. The committee will be putting together ideas for prizes and activities for the next conference.

Leadership and Outreach 2024 Report – Everson is not here to report.

Awards/Scholarships Committee Report – Godfrey reports that there is a large scholarship fund, however we have not received many good applications as of late. All other awards such as retirements, professional of the year, and Dick Mace Award are given out at the Spring Conference.

POWTS Committee Report- Pagel is not present.

Short Term Rental Committee Report – Kjeseth not present

District Reports:

Northwest: Leppink reports last meeting was in January

Northeast: Lindeman reports they meet in November and visited a deer farm

West Central: Have met a few times.

East Central: Dyb reports that they meet monthly.

Southeast- No district rep for this district

Thiele/Meuer makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned 4:40 pm.

Minutes prepared by Robin Schaffer.

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