

WCCA Executive Board Minutes

Friday, August 5, 2022 10:00 AM

Schmeckle Reserve, Stevens Point, WI 54481

Members Present: Amanda McMeekin, President; Kevin Stange, First Vice-President; Tessah Behlings; Brian Cunningham, DNR; Jennie Fannin; Ben Fiebelkorn; Scott Godfrey (by video); Anna Haines, CLUE; Jason Kjeseth (by video); Chris Meuer; Chris Murdutt (by video); Lara Pagel; Dave Sadenwasser; Ken Thiele.

1.) Call to Order - The President calls the meeting to order at 10:07 AM.

2.) Changes or Additions to Agenda – None

8d.) Agency Update; Anna Haines, CLUE – Anna reports on CLUE activities, including Lynn Markham providing additional BOA training sessions by video, continuing to work on posters, the animation of the “Value of Shoreland Zoning” poster, work on fan digesters with the state Office of Energy Innovation, and work on an analysis of current and future solar siting locations. The President asks if there has been renewed interest in training post-COVID. Ms. Haines states that webinars continue to be popular.

3.) Minutes from June 3, 2022 Executive Board Meeting - Motion by Dave Sadenwasser, seconded by Ken Thiele to approve the minutes as presented.

4.) Treasurer’s Report – The President reads a written report from the Treasurer.

5.) 2022 Fall Conference – Discussion of 2022 Fall Conference. Kevin Stange states that Dale Rezabek of the DNR will provide outdoor wetland/OHWM/floodplain training on the hotel property on Wednesday of the Conference. The agenda item is tabled to move to agency updates.

8b.) Agency Update; Brian Cunningham, DNR Floodplain – Brian states that WMEs can assist with the onsite training at the WCCA Conference. He reports that there were over 20 attendees at a recent FEMA training in Waukesha, WI, there will be a FEMA substantial damage training in LaValle, WI in September. He states that upcoming map updates will be provided at the Conference.

5.) 2022 Fall Conference (continued) – Discussion of potential locations for the outdoor training sessions. Scott Godfrey will contact the venue about use of the outdoor property. Kevin gives an update of potential agenda items for Fall Conference: PFAS Education, spotting sex trafficking, Lynn Markham hosting a session, Dan Keymer providing POWTS updates, a general roundtable, DATCP presentation on short term rentals, conflict resolution with Kay Lutze. Discussion regarding potential training on face-to-face contact strategies. Discussion on methods to get new attendees to socialize, including games and prizes.

6b.) Winter Leadership Summit – A leadership summit is planned for winter 2023 tentatively at Treehaven or SWES. Potential topics include communications, the color test, history and basics of zoning, an “old zoner” roundtable, or POWTS basics.

6a.) Soil Tester Training – Discussion on partnering with DSPS to provide multiple soil tester training sessions in the fall. Discussion regarding holding separate sessions for public vs. regulatory staff.

- **7.) Committee and Project Reports** - Sue VandenLangenberg wishes to resign as NR116 Committee Chairperson. Ken Thiele states that he is willing to sit on the Committee but does not want to be Chair. Amanda states that she will notify the other members to seek a new Chair.
 - a.) Program/Conference Committee Report – Discussion of Spring Conference venues; Scott will seek to stay at Fairfield Inn in Weston. The 2022 Fall Conference room reservation block is held until Sept 30, 2022. The agenda will be released by Sept. 9, 2022. 2023 Conference fees will go up by \$25.00.
 - b.) Legislation/Education Committee Report – Discussion of AB-1110/SB-1090. Lara Pagel discusses Waupaca County case which is going to Supreme Court.
 - c.) NR 115 Advisory Committee Report – None.
 - d.) Webpage/Decoder Report – None.
 - e.) Leadership & Outreach Committee – Leadership summit will be in winter 2023.
 - f.) DSPS/POWTS Committee Report – None.
 - g.) Awards/Scholarship Committee Report – There were 7 applications for scholarships, 2 are being awarded but the names have not been released.
 - h.) Other Standing or Ad Hoc Committee Reports – None.
 - 8.) Agency Updates – There are no Agency Updates other than those already completed.

9.) District Reports – None.

10.) Adjourn – The President adjourns the meeting at 1:24 PM.