

Lumberjack RC&D Council Meeting Minutes  
April 25, 2019 – Northwoods Inn, Pickerel, Langlade County, WI

<b>COUNTY</b>	<b>VOTING MEMBERS ALTERNATES</b>	<b>OTHERS PRESENT</b>
<b>Florence</b>	<b>Yvonne Van Pembrook</b> – LCC	Scott Goodwin - LCD
<b>Forest</b>	<b>Absent</b>	
<b>Langlade</b>	<b>Joe Novak</b> – LCC <b>Dave Solin</b> – LCC <b>Reinhardt Balcerzak</b> - LCC	Molly McKay – LCD Chris Arrowood - LCD
<b>Lincoln</b>	<b>Bill Bialecki</b> - LCC <b>Wayne Plant</b> – Past President	Matt Bremer – LCD
<b>Menominee</b>	<b>Mary Menore</b> – LCC <b>Liz Arnold</b> - LCC	Jeremy Johnson - LCD
<b>Oconto</b>	<b>Doug Allen</b> - LCC	Ken Dolata- LCD
<b>Oneida</b>	<b>Alan Van Raalte</b> - LCC	Michele Sadauskas, LWCD
<b>Shawano</b>	<b>Arlyn Tober</b> - LCC	Scott Frank - LCD
<b>Vilas</b>	<b>Bob Hanson</b> – LCC	Carolyn Scholl – LCD Quita Sheehan - LCD
<b>At-Large</b>	<b>Claudia Baker</b> – Oneida <b>Dick Gilles</b> – Oconto <b>Bob Hermes</b> – Menominee Co <b>Ted Ritter</b> – Vilas Co <b>Margie Yadro</b> – Florence Co	<b>Guests:</b> Carmen Thiel, Sharon Johnson, Robin Ginner, Paul & Ann Drezwiecki + 3 guests, Ron Yadro <b>Staff:</b> Paul Mueller, Tracy Beckman, Alix Bjorklund, Rosie Page

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by President Hermes at 9:33am. Facing east, the Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was observed for the passing of Darrel Pagel of Oconto County, a long-time Lumberjack Council Member and friend. He will be missed.

**INTRODUCTIONS:** Those present introduced themselves and a roll call of members appears in these minutes.

**REVIEW/APPROVE AGENDA** – Solin/Gilles moved to accept the agenda as presented. Motion Carried.

**PRESIDENT’S ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Hermes explained Amazon Smile is available, the Council will pay half (up to \$25) for Lumberjack-branded apparel for Council members, Pathways Guides are available, and the Annual Report is part of today’s packet.

**MINUTES:** Members reviewed the minutes of the 11/1/18 Council meeting, the 1/17/19 & the 4/16/19 Executive Committee meetings. Motion by Yadro/Plant to approve the minutes as presented. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:** Treasurer Claudia Baker explained the proposed 2019 Budget handout and said nothing is out of the ordinary. Motion by VanPembrook/Tober to approve the budget after fixing the footnotes and adding a line item for Renters Insurance. Motion Carried. Baker explained the Treasurer’s report - the 4/15/2019 checking balance was \$118,318.95 as shown on the balance sheet. Total assets as of 4/15/2019 were \$830,342.19. Motion by Van Raalte/Van Pembrook to approve the Treasurer’s report and budget update as presented. Motion Carried.

**2019 Plan of Work** – Beckman explained the 2019 Plan of Work and the reason for skipping this year with a 5-year plan is so any plan is on the same timeline as FIA/CFI contract. Motion by Yadro/Bialecki to approve the Plan of Work with the change to the Sponsor Approved Groups adding the bylaws change that staff can vote with a written letter from county. Motion Carried.

**Personnel Policy Updates** – Beckman explained the reasoning behind the proposed policy changes. There was discussion about the addition of residency requirements and it was noted that we can always change the policy in the future but at this point we will go by what council advised. Page 6, change the final sentence from ‘will’ to ‘may’. Motion by Ritter/Gilles to approve the changes as amended. Motion Carried.

**NARCD Membership Recommendation** – The Executive Committee recommended to the full Council that we pay the dues for this year knowing there are areas for concern and we re-visit this each year. The annual dues are \$400. Tober/Solin moved to go ahead and pay the dues this year.

**Discussion – Central Location for October Meeting** – Hermes explained that the October meeting is unique because of the project presentations and the Council should consider holding that meeting at a central location around/near Wabeno. It was suggested the Carter Casino could accommodate the group with two meeting rooms. Yadro/Plant moved to hold the October meeting at a central location that will be decided by Hermes/Beckman. Following the October meeting, we would resume alphabetic rotation.

**Elections** – Solin/Bialecki moved to approve the following slate of at-large members: Baker, Gilles, Hermes, Ritter, Yadro.

**Project Presentations** were given for Vilas Co Decon Unit, Vilas/Oneida Co Lake Clarity, Trees for Tomorrow Boardwalk, Langlade Co AIS Closing the Gap and the Florence Co Spectrophotometer.

**Sustainable Forestry Awards** The awards were presented by Liz Arnold and Bob Hermes as follows: Jeremy Johnson Friend of Forestry and Paul/Ann Drezwiecki for Forest Stewards of the Year.

**ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 12:20pm followed by lunch for the Council and guests.

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Submitted 4/25/2019 by Yvonne VanPembrook, Secretary