



Board Meeting of Iowa Woodland Owners Association

The meeting was held at the State Forest Nursery, Ames, Iowa, on November 21, 1987.

Acting President, Dan Fogle, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A.M.

Directors present: Dan Fogle, Sandra Claussen, Bob Grau, Leonard Grimes, Dick Alman, Terry Handley, Bill Ritter. Others present: Bill Farris, D.N.R., Mrs. Grimes, and Mrs. Handley. Directors absent: John Quade and Ted Yocum.

First order of business was the election of officers. Leonard Grimes moved, seconded by Terry Handley, that the rules of order be suspended and the acting president cast a unanimous ballot for the acting officers, to serve as permanent officers for the ensuing year. Unanimous vote cast.

Moved by Dick Alman, seconded by Bob Grau, that the Woodland Owners Association present to the publishers of the Woodland Newsletter (I.S.U. Extension Service) the sum of \$2000.00 for fiscal year 1987/88. Unanimously approved.

Note: One-half of the above amount will be re-imbursed to the association by the Division of Forestry. Bill Farris will draft an agreement for the re-imburement of one-half of all expenditures made by the association for fiscal 87/88. The treasurer will submit on at least a quarterly basis a statement of expenditures to the Division of Forestry and Mr. Farris.

With the absence of the treasurer, our actual financial status was not known, but was estimated by the secretary to be somewhat in excess of \$3000.00. Therefore, no budget was developed.

Moved by Alman, seconded by Claussen, that the treasurer be instructed to obtain a Surety Bond at a minimum of \$25,000.00. The cost of the bond to be paid by the association and the bond filed with the secretary. Approved.

Appointment of Committees:

Membership: Bill Ritter - Dick Alman, Co-Chairman

Finance: John Quade, Chairman - Leonard Grimes

Legislative: Dick Alman, Chairman - Ted Yocum

Education & Forest Practices: Sandra Claussen, Chairman - Bob Grau - Terry Handley

Discussion revolved around a number of items. Dick Alman--the present deer problem and the use of out of state hunters to alleviate the situation. Damage caused by deer and the obligation of D.N.R. for possible re-imburement for both crop and other damages. Mrs. Grimes, as a member of the Governor's Committee, to look into possible legislation on responsibility took notes. Leonard Grimes reported on the system used in Scotland with land leasing for hunting. Bob Grau covered doe seasons. No action taken this time, but we should stay on top of possible legislation.

Dick Alman brought up the idea that the Forest Reserve Law should be adjusted to permit other than forest crop related income to be allowed on eligible forest reserve acreages. After discussion--it was decided that the association would not pursue this line for the present.

Bob Grau listed the elimination of capital gains treatment for timber as an area that all woodland owners should be concerned with. This could be a stand for the association. No action for present.

Bill Ritter--that the new board be notified prior to the Annual Meeting. They would meet and elect new officers for the year--develop budget and appoint committee chairpersons. The announcement could be then presented at the Annual Meeting. Generally agreed a good route to follow.

Ritter suggested Annual Meeting move around the state. Suggested next meeting be in Southeast, East Central, or Northeast Iowa. Moved by Claussen, seconded by Grimes, that it be held in Northeast Iowa. Approved.

The dates for the meeting were discussed and Friday, September 30, 1988 and Saturday, October 1, 1988. The business meeting and banquet will be held Friday afternoon and evening. A field trip will be held on Saturday. Ritter and Handley were appointed as Co-Chairman.

The next board meeting will be at Marshalltown on February 27, 1988. Place to be announced.

No further business--moved by Alman, seconded by Grimes, that the meeting adjourn. Unanimous - 12:00 Noon.

Respectfully submitted


William C. Ritter, Secretary