

IWOA BOARD MEETING

Friday, September 9, 2011

Decker House, Maquoketa, Iowa

President Dave Bartemes Called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm

The agenda was approved.

Dave welcomed the new board members, Kevin Kelly, Paul Millice and Al Rathje

The minutes of the 16 July board meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was presented and approved. Longtime treasurer will continue one more year, we will need a replacement.

President asked if we could open that position to any member. Not a paid position doesn't have to be a board member. Voted on and approved.

President Bartemes suggested that we provide a memento for service. Suggested a lifetime membership/honorary membership .moved and approved. We also discussed to leaving it on a case by case basis

President Bartemes to provide one cutting board for outgoing Dave _____ for his service as well as one cutting board for a door prize for the Annual meeting.

Dave reported the Coalition for Iowa's Woodlands & Trees was successful in securing a line item of 50K for each of the next two years in the DNR's budget for the health of woodlands which is a direct result of our lobbyist efforts

There was a motion to provide \$1000 again to the Coalition which gives us strength of 15,000 Iowa members. Motion approved.

Timber talk- Kathy has sent out 4 issues annually my only sent out 3 in future. Need articles for future issues.

It was discussed the we will need one more board member to replace _____ who has sold his land. It was decided that we would appoint one to fill this unexpired position.

Dave appointed a three member committee to "Define or Suggest" what constitutes a woodland owner Kevin Kelly, Paul Millice A& Al Rathje were appointed to this committee.

New Business: Dave met with Rick Robinson and Matt Stienfeld of the Iowa Farm Bureau Discussed Forest Reserve Program with FB. (Currently the FB is opposed to the FRP and is actively lobbying against) The FB sends 100 county delegates to the state to propose an agenda for the fB to lobby for or against. Apparently there are a couple of county accesses who get there county delegates to oppose the FRP and they take that to the state FB meeting and get that in as a issue. We all need to learn who our county's FB delegate is and contact them. Dave is to ask Tom Taulke to make a bullet poit fact sheet to help us to talke before the FB.

Al- web page Jo Ann – web person tabled of next meeting. Discussed possible income from advertising and or links to our web site.

Spring Field Day will be at Dave's farm in Wayne county. Need to ask for volunteers for Annual meeting.

Johnson & Linn Count Master Woodland Managers Course next summer, 30 per class, if need be there will be two classes.

Prepared by Paul Millice Secy.