

## **IWOA MEETING MINUTES HELD AT GRINNELL 10/15/2025**

The meeting was called to order by president Phil McCune at 2:50 P.M., following a very successful fall field day at the McCune acreage.

Board members in attendance were Tim Meyer, Paul Millice, Ed Kocal, Steve Meyer, Ruth McAndrews, Ray Lehn, Linda Haugen and Craig Semler.

Minutes from 07/10/2025 meeting - motion to approve by T. Meyer/ 2nd S. Meyer Carried

Election results: Ballots are still being tallied, however Ed Kocal, Steve Meyer and Jim White (the only nominees) are the likely elected board members.

Motion by P. Millice to appoint Linda Haugen to replace the open position created by the absence of longtime board member and past president Russ Glime. 2nd by E. Kocal Carried

A credit card bill for around \$1600 was received from our membership secretary, primarily for publications and postage. Motion to pay by Millice/ 2nd T. Meyer Carried Due to the unusually large amount of the bill, treasurer Sherry Sisson will contact membership secretary Cathy Wilkie to determine the reasons for the unusually high amount.

The IWOA, and in particular, Steve Meyer, received numerous compliments regarding the IWOA newsletter, Timber Talk.

A request was received from Mary Ellen Miller to share a table at the upcoming Nature Summit 2025 Nov. 19-20. Our share would be \$250. No motion was made.

Practical Farmers of Iowa is scheduled to have a meeting in Des Moines January 9&10, 2026. It was felt that if we participate, this might be an opportunity to increase our exposure and result in increased membership.

Iowa State Representative Judd Lawler was going to send the IWOA some ideas on how to deal with the bill regarding timber reserve.

Ed Kocal will look into the idea of handing out One Year Free Membership coupons to select individuals.

Today's field day consisted of great discussions, great weather and a great venue. Attendance was reported to be 137.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

The next IWOA meeting is scheduled for 12/03/2025 at Amana.

Craig Semler, IWOA Secretary

