

Wisconsin Invasive Species Council Executive Committee Meeting

Tuesday, May 26, 2015
via Conference Call

Meeting Notes

Chairman Schumacher called the meeting to order at 4:03.

Members Present: Schumacher, Kuhn

Others Present: Watermolen (staff)

Approval of Minutes: February 6, 2015 Executive Committee meeting

Motion by Kuhn to approve minutes. Second by Schumacher. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes April 29, 2015 Council Meeting and Status of Tasks

The committee reviewed the draft minutes from the April 29, 2015 Council meeting and discussed the status of assigned tasks. Tasks from the meeting minutes and the status of each follow.

TASK: Watermolen to ensure minutes are posted on the Council's website.

STATUS: Completed. Minutes are posted.

TASK: Watermolen to work with Chairman Schumacher to draft and send a letter to all SAG members announcing enactment of NR 40 and thanking them for their help along the way. The letter will include a PDF of the final NR 40 rule language and an updated list of regulated species.

STATUS: In process. Letter drafted and sent to Schumacher for review.

TASK: Watermolen to email all Council members a PDF of the final NR 40 rule language.

STATUS: Completed. Email sent to Council on May 4.

TASK: Watermolen will invite Bob Wakeman to provide an in-person update on the ANS joint panels meeting at the next Council meeting.

STATUS: Completed. Wakeman plans to attend.

TASK: Watermolen will re-distribute the GLIMRIS report to Council members

STATUS: In process. Link will be sent with agenda and meeting materials on June 1.

TASK: Watermolen will continue to track the "Defending Our Great Lakes" Act and update the Council on any Congressional action.

STATUS: Pending. There has been no activity on the bill since the last Council meeting. Updates for federal legislation will be included in the next written updates document.

TASK: Watermolen to invite Bob Wakeman and/or Tim Campbell to provide an in-person update on the AIS strategic plan effort at the next Council meeting.

STATUS: Completed. Wakeman plans to attend.

TASK: Watermolen will send a link to the DNR's draft rapid response framework to Council members when the document is made available for public comment.

STATUS: Pending. Public review draft of framework has not yet been posted. DNR Team is still finalizing the framework.

TASK: Kuhn will send Watermolen the approved minutes from the January 10, 2014 meeting so they can be posted on the Council website.

STATUS: Completed. Minutes are posted.

Update on Invasive Species Provisions in State Budget Proposal

According to media reports, the Joint Finance Committee anticipates completing its work on the State Budget by the end of this week. Proposed DNR position reductions and a number of other natural resources items are scheduled for consideration later in the week. Bill Cosh, Director, Office of Communication, is the Wisconsin DNR's spokesperson on State Budget issues for the department.

Development of June 4 Council Meeting Agenda

The Executive Committee discussed an agenda for the Council's upcoming June 4 meeting.

Final agenda as follows:

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| 9:00 | Call to Order Introductions |
| 9:05 | Approval: April 29, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes |
| 9:10 | Update: Council Membership and Staffing |
| 9:20 | Update: State Budget Process |
| 9:30 | Invasive Species and Issues Updates: Please see written report. |
| 9:40 | Informational Update: New Zealand Mud Snail Response (Maureen Ferry) |
| 10:00 | Informational Update: ANS Task Force Great Lakes & Mississippi River Panels Joint Meeting (Bob Wakeman) |
| 10:30 | Break |
| 10:45 | Informational Update: AIS Strategic Plan and Planning Process (Bob Wakeman) |

- 11:00 Committee Report: Council's Education Committee
 Invader Crusader Awards
 2015 ISAM Video Competition
 Education Summit
- 11:15 Committee Report: Council's Research & Regulations Committees
- 11:20 Committee Report: Council's Interagency Committee
- 11:25 Public Comment
- 11:30 Adjourn

Adjournment

Motion by Schumacher. Second by Kuhn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:55.