

## Minutes of May 24, 2018 Board Meeting

Attended: S. Kaufman, D. Littleton, B. Nigon, S. Powers, J. Summerfield, R. Yaeger

Absent: R. Kemmerick, C. Kernler, M. Stopyro

Members present: Walt Nigon

### Agenda Items:

- 1) Secretary's report: Mar 2018 minutes approved.
- 2) Treasurer report: Mark was absent, so Barb reviewed bills that are due from burn wagon equipment, road ditch clean-up day refreshments and website service provider renewal.

### Old Business

1. 4H program: Form and fee were sent in to sponsor a 4H Grand Champion Water & Wetlands 4-H achievement award again this year.
2. Web burn policy: new policy is now in website burn pages. Burns and discussion discussed.
3. Volunteering and Advocacy: Ruthann sent a draft Volunteer and Advocacy page out for review. Board approved going ahead with this page and a fuller draft will be sent out for review.
4. Publicity and Fundraising: Ryan not present, so no update on People's Co-op application to have bean jar for fundraising.
5. Upcoming programs: still considering field trips and programs. Stay tuned.

### New Business

1. Accounting issues discussed. **Motion:** Membership income should be separated from donations. So just \$25 of a \$50 donation will be listed as membership income and \$25 will be tax-deductible. Fiscal year financial report will be put on the website. Board will receive ~quarterly reports.

### Non-agenda items:

1. Thank you notes came in for burn help. Suggestion: add a webpage showing testimonials and TYs.
2. Dawn told group about the Upper Midwest Invasive Species Conference in October that will be held in Rochester at the Civic Center this year. Urged us to attend.
3. Tom Eckdahl offered to do another burn class this fall in October. **Motion:** to co-sponsor this burn class with Chester Woods. Passed. Ruthann will ask MNat office if class can be called an Advanced Training class.

**Addendum:** **Motion** was made by email not to discuss Facebook issue again until 2020.

Passed 6 to 2 on May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting: July 19, 2018

R. Yaeger, sec'ty