

LCSWA minutes
05/27/2009

Present:

Dave Bateman, Aaron White, Bud Baumgartner, Jim McPhearson, Tim Otis, Sherm Sallee, Joe Holmberg, Roy Stutzman

Minutes

Minutes of last meeting approved by voice vote

Treasurer (Bud)

Treasurer report approved.

Budget approved by voice vote.

EIN needed for Linn County chapter. Bud will investigate.

Linn County Tree Farmer (Joe)

Fun Forest LLC – Jim Cota – Sweet Home (partner with Mike Melcher)

Quarterly Bark (Sherm)

Lane county joined bark and will continue

Deadline = 15 June

Sherm having some difficulty with new help at Extension.

Next issue shall include information on tree farmer & tours.

Aaron White will write something on thinning in the woods.

Dave will solicit e-mail addresses for a distribution lists.

Aaron will clarify on deadline for registration/price for thinning tour by talking with Rick Fletcher.

Tour:

Ed Landis on June 16th at 5pm (Twilight Tour)

Aaron will mail cards

July 8 = carbon inventory (benton County)

July 28th = thinning in the woods at Aaron's

August 18th = Linn County picnic and tour at Tim Otis

Sept. 10th = Merzenich

Sept. ??? Fun Forest Tour =

Seedling Sale (sherm)

2009 wrap up

Some seedlings left over but Sherm didn't want to heel them in. Gave them to CTC and CTC purchased them for \$162.00

Contract from Expo center for 2010. Over \$1,000 for next year. Sherm negotiated a new price. Now \$785.50

Sherm will sign contract before end of June.

OSWA may provide liability insurance for event.

Sherm has NOT ordered seedlings. Sherm is considering plugs versus seedlings.

Jonathan will forward PRT's information again.

Linn Forest Protective Association (Sherm)

Rankins have joined this group.

Linn & East Lane are merged and this is the base for the charge via property tax assessment

Membership in the Association does not cost more due to charge.

Currently ODF leases the equipment for fire protection from this association in this area.

Small woodland owners are encouraged to participate in the association.

Scholarship (Bud)

We offer four \$1,000 scholarships.

Katie Kohl says only one applicant for scholarship from high schools.

One good candidate is Georgia Downey from Mill City is the applicant

Other three candidates are re-applying. One (Cody) is having grade trouble and has been warned.

If his grades do not approve, he'll not be given the scholarship again.

OSWA Business (Dave)

Membership

New member = Curtis Young of Sweet Home, property is in Crawfordsville

Some members have a balance due.

Membership lists distributed

- One list shows both OSWA & Treefarm overlap.

- One list shows members who are NOT in tree farm

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Board members are encouraged to contract Tree Farmers to join OSWA.

OSWA annual meeting June 4-5-6 in Ashland

Dave will bring up Liability insurance per Sherm's whining.

Dave is requesting silent auction items for state convention and entry to Ag-Pac.

Ideas = mushrooms, fishing trip, tanned woodrat hides courtesy of Aaron, woodwork

Wilco Discount (Dave & Roy)

Wilco Discount is only good for forest products other than fertilizer (15% discount).

You must fill out a form ahead of time. Products must be forestry labeled.

7% on forestry herbicides only good at agronomy centers.

Wilbur-Ellis and/or Starr Ag in North Albany might be willing to deal with an OSWA discount.

Other

Jonathan will update web page again.

Next meeting:

Last week of August. August 26th (Wednesday) at Tim Otis's home.

7:00 p.m.