

**LCSWA Executive Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 26th, 2009
Home of Tim & Kathy Otis.**

Present—Mike Barsotti, Tim Otis, Roy Stutzman, Aaron White, Dave Bateman, Sherm Sallee, Jonathan Christie, Jim McPhearson, Joe Holmberg, Bud Baumgartner

Minutes:

The day for the Otis tour should be corrected to be 15th instead of 18th.
Approved by consent.

Treasures Report

Information presented at the meeting has been omitted, but is available by attending a meeting or by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope to:

Treasurer, Linn County Small Woodlands Association
c/o 39980 Mount Hope Dr
Lebanon, OR 97355-9426

Please allow 1 week for delivery.

Old Business:

DOTF (Dave)

Next meeting will be 3rd November, Tuesday, at Aaron's. 8:30 a.m.
Roy will bring breakfast.

Linn County Tree Farmer of the Year 2009. (Joe)

Joe contacted Jim Cotta (?) and Bud talked with him as well.

Bud states Jim has an emphasis on pasture conversion and hardwoods. Also revisit a site from one year ago. In addition, he did a hardwood conversion.

Suggestion to meet at Thriftway parking lot in the morning and rent a school bus for the tour.

Plan is for 9:00-1:00. September 26th (Saturday)

Joe will do publicity for this event. Joe will also do the sign.

Sherm will do pastries & coffee. Plan for about 40.

Dave will do postcards. LCSWA will provide beverages.

Awards Luncheon at Western Forestry Center. November 23rd, 2009

Monday before Thanksgiving.

Sherm will advertise in the Bark.

2010 Seedling Sale (Sherm)

February 19th—set up

February 20th—sale

At Linn Co. Fairgrounds.

Sherm has put a deposit into Brooks Tree Farm for seedlings.

Sherm reports poor survival with Sequoia.

Jim reports that Weyerhaeuser has plug nursery outside of Turner.

New Business:

Quarterly Bark (Sherm)

Deadline is 15 September. Edition goes out 1 October.

Sherm got into trouble due to late submissions, so this time he'll enforce the deadline.

Sherm is happy with extension now with publishing.

Extension handles billing for bark. Lincoln and Benton were in arrears but are now paid up.

Prez Corner (Dave)

Dave received one e-mail response to his request for an e-mail list from "Rick & Sue."

Tours (Sherm)

Sherm has written the article already.

Dave will contact Rick about article from the thinning tour from the 28th.

FSA has program for biofuel sales. Mike will investigate for future article.

NRCS will have a class for writing management plans for their system. They will be paying landowners to write a plan. Joe will investigate. Contact is Dave Dishman (503) 414-3252
dave.dishman@or.usda.gov

Linn County Forest Officer (Sherm)

Linn Forest Protective Association has a meeting that includes law enforcement dealing with forests.

LCSWA contributes \$150.00 per year for small woodland deputy

Sherm will include information in the bark about this program. Anyone can call for these deputies if they have problems on rural property.

Tours (Tim, Aaron)

Recaps--

Landis twilight tour—good feedback.

White Thinning tour-- good turnout and new faces attended.

Otis/Wheeler summer tour-- good turnout and nice view.

Sept. 10th – Merzenich

Sept. 26th – LC tree farmer of the year.

Winter tours--

Benton Co. Woodland Info night TBA

Suggestion to have fall programs. Some suggestions are about biofuels, maybe someone from Freres can speak about their program.

Another suggestion is about cost-share projects.

Dave will talk with Rick about Rick's survey about interests of the local community.

Scholarship (Bud)

Planning on four scholarships.

Sherm reported that four students attended a camp for \$735.00 total. These students are now locked into helping with the tree sale and will attend the annual meeting.

2010 LC Tree Farmer of the Year--

Joe reports that Benton County picks a year ahead. Consensus is that we try to model this.

Candidates for 2010 may be:

Dale Crocker/Huffer—check with Pete Mastenbroek

Sherm Sallee

Merzenich

Joe Holmberg

Tour in June with picnic.

2010 Linn County Annual Meeting--

Date: 3rd Saturday in January. = January 16th, 2010. Scio IOOF Hall.

Responsibilities-- See notes:

Dave will ask Rick for “year in review” program.

Invite reps and county commissioners. Jonathan will compose letter and Roy will call.

Maybe use Bob McNitt for contacts.

New Director ?

Maybe amend bylaws for new officers/emeritus.

OSWA Business (Dave)

OSWA BOD meeting Friday, October 2nd at OSWA office in Salem.

Linn Co. webpage = Jonathan will update.

State Fair – Sept. 6th – all day

Sept. 7th – morning

Call Nancy Hathaway if interested in working. (541) 758-5510

Good of the Order:

Roy suggests we develop a county brochure to hand out to people who attend our tours.

Jonathan, Roy, Aaron and others will develop this. Will discuss this during the DOTF meeting.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, December 2nd, 2009. 7:00 p.m.

Home of Roy Stutzman.