

**LCSWA**  
**Minutes**  
**Meeting of 03-03-2015**  
Home of Mike Barsotti

Present:

Mike Barsotti, Jonathan Christie, Shirley Holmberg, Mary Brendle, Sherm Sallee, Bill Bowling, Jim Cota, Joe Holmberg, Brad Withrow-Robinson, Jim Merzenich. Henry Wolthuis.

**Minutes:**

Minutes for the December & Annual Meeting were approved by voice vote.

Connor Tye's thank you was read to the board (Sherm: Could you help Jonathan elaborate on this?)

Jim highlighted Brad's Woodland Compass handouts as a good resource.

**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.

For the next meeting Shirley will make estimates of annual expenses. Then we can make a budget and designate monies accordingly.

**Old Business:**

2015 Seedling Sale (Sherm)

Good year. We made a profit (again). Sherm can breathe again.

20-50% ( Comment: that's a broad range. I heard 50%) of pre-orders come from Extension information, through a cut-out of the order form.

For next year??, the Albany *D-H* wants to have an article in the paper that will draw readers to the order form in the Extension Newsletter *Growing*.

Sherm gave a litany of thanks to everyone who helped.

Sherm blew it on the P-Pine. Had many left over, but eventually, they went away.

A few of the other species are left over, but Sherm had the 4-H pot them. Sherm will be blaming these kids if he killed the plants instead. The wind and the rain limited our walk-in sales.

Next year's sale is Feb. 5-6, 2016. Sherm has the contract in his sweaty hands. :-) Sherm is encouraged to sign it now to avoid any price increases in the future. Deposit. = \$350.00

Motion granted to sign contract for next year with appropriate deposit.

Bottom Line of money = \$5,650.61 net profit.

The Quarterly Bark: (Sherm)--due by March 15<sup>th</sup>!

Mike will write an article on taxes.

Sherm has articles on the seedling sale.

Jim is writing a President's message.

Goods from the Woods (Mary).

Vendors want to return, although not a lot of them participated this year.

Woodland Information Night (Bill)

Four Speakers =

Nathan Adelman = NRCS = Assistance

Neil Miller = ODF = Fire Suppression

Steve Kendall = ODF = Online Notification

Bill Marshall = CTC = Forestry Services

***Sherm will bring the coffee maker and a beverage dispenser.***

***Jonathan will donate cookies and napkins, etc.***

Tree Farmer of the Year (Joe)

Dave Bateman wants to move forward with being TFOY this year. Joe or Mike will handle the application for county.

***Jim will put together a note/card from the board.***

P-Pine conservation meeting (Mike):

Meeting is tomorrow (March 4<sup>th</sup>) at the Extension Office, regarding genetics.

Also discussion about three goals and the articulation of those goals—improvement, marketing, growth & yield.

Jim wondered if anyone else had beetle outbreaks. Joe reported of seeing some P-Pine damage near Lacombe. Weather is being a problem in control.

Pond Workshop May 18<sup>th</sup> (Mike)

Extension should have a publication out by the workshop date on ponds. Speaker is lined up.

Items of Note (Jim)

Polk county hosting OSWA Annual Meeting

Tree Fair will be there

Tree Farmer of the Year tour will be in Linn County on May 19<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with OSWA.

Mike suggests we should plan our workshops for 2015-2016 classes.

### **New Business**

#### **Program Planning –**

In charge of tours, etc. Jim contacted Aaron White to help host these.

Our tradition is three tours and three classes.

Usually one twilight tour and one annual picnic.

#### **Swiss Needle Cast Tour--**

Still in process. Dave Shaw do a Coop tour at the same time (Spring meeting).

***Brad and Jim Cota need to connect about tour dates in early May.***

#### **Ice Damage Tour on March 26.**

Another edition of the Needle will highlight this. On Starker ground with Starker and Extension.

#### **Summer Tours**

June = Linda Butts's tour is in June and in cooperation with OSWA.

Our chapter will do the work on this.

August = Picnic at Happy Valley. Sherm is nodding and agrees.

### **Good of the Order:**

### **Meeting adjourned.**

### **Next meeting:**

Tuesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015

7:00 p.m.

Home of:

Joe & Shirley Holmberg