

**LCSWA**  
**Minutes**  
**Meeting of 09-03-2015**  
Home of Mary Brendle

Present:

Mike Barsotti, Jonathan Christie, Shirley Holmberg, Mary Brendle, Sherm Sallee, Bill Bowling, Jim Cota, Joe Holmberg, Jim Merzenich. Henry Wolthuis. Dave Bateman.

**Minutes:**

Minutes from June meeting approved by voice vote.

**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

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**Old Business:**

2015 Tree Farmer of the Year. (Dave)

Dave and others said it was well received. About 50 people attended. Some were new faces but said they were members.

2015 Seedling Sale (Sherm)

Some trees ordered by not confirmed from Brooks. May need to purchase from Kintigh.

The Quarterly Bark: (sherm)--by the 15<sup>th</sup>!

Requires article from president and on the tree farm tour.

**New Business:**

Yearly Schedule (Bill & Jim M.)

Jim passed on suggestion by Brad about having a fixed schedule for events in the year. Bill suggested we set a yearly schedule now so all dates are fixed and a priority.

**Bill and Mary will work on this. Will report by next meeting.**

Special Award

Jim M. presented a certificate of appreciation for Mary Brendle for her work for LCSWA.

Linn-Benton Class (Mary).

November 4<sup>th</sup>. Invasive species is the topic.

Class is scheduled but is not listed because the class is not officially an LBCC class.

Question: Does the new extension office have a big enough room for a class? Consensus is Yes.

Will use LBCC rooms for fall class but may move to extension for future classes.

**Need to advertise in the Bark and other sites.**

**Bill will submit bark article to Sherm**

Dave suggested we have a “wet lab” on invasives following the class.

Jim M. is working with NRCS to have a tour that encompasses invasives, so he’ll try to pin down this date before the class. **Jim will do this before the class.**

Tours:

Ideas include Jim M.’s, Jim C.’s with poles.

**Jim M. will set up a tour for November and pass out the dates to the board.**

Brad’s Tours (Jim):

Sept 12<sup>th</sup> = Cameron Demo Tour. Brad wants representative from LCSWA to be present because this is related to the Mealey monies.

**Mike B. will be there. RSVP.**

**Bill might also attend.**

Sept 17<sup>th</sup> = Bald Hill Twilight Tour.

Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup> = Benton Co. TFOY in Alsea.

All tours listed in Needle.

Brad’s Request (Jim):

Wants a talk in the spring on the “new norms” regarding drought, seedling availability, etc.

Forest Protection (Sherm):

New deputy = Rodney David. Sherm will confirm his contact information.

All forestlands were closed for hunting due to fire threat.

Weyerhaeuser is getting threatening letters about lack of access. They have lost gates.

Marijuana is no longer a big concern. (This is Sherm’s attempt at a joke).

**Good of the Order:**

“What has everyone done about drought?”

Lots of discussion about tree seedlings, stand densities, and stupid people mowing in the heat.

Spring class is planned to be on fire, so lots of information to talk about.

Roy Stutzman replanted the Luckini place and used ripping to replant. Trees are doing well. Worth a look.

Fifteen page document sent out the MWM about what to look for regarding drought.

Ponderosa Pine Association is working on how to inventory how much pine there is. This is necessary to do improvement and marketing.

Jim M. and Joe H. had a discussion about P-pine spacings. Testosterone was thrown.

Sherm stated he was supportive of using the Mealy funds for something like the inventory or spacing studies relating to P-Pine education.

Jim. M. presented an OWC document about a Scandinavian tour for 2016. Jim raved about it. Brad will be the extension agent going on the tour. Price is approximately \$5,000 per person. Contact OWC for more information.

Mary asked for presenter for Winter term class on non-wood forest products.

**Meeting adjourned.**

**Next meeting:**

7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 1<sup>st</sup> 2015.

at Sherm's.