

**Midwest Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Annual Meeting
June 28 - July 1, 2009
Peoria, Illinois**

ACTION ITEMS

- ▶ Presented Awards to Pete Jacobson, MN, Fisheries Biologist of the Year; Tom Beissel, IL, Wildlife Biologist of the Year; Shawn Pennington, MO, Law Enforcement Officer of the Year; Glen Salmon, IN - Retired, Spirit of the Shack; three Sagamore Awards to Tom Niebauer, WI, Retired, Glen Salmon, IN, Retired, and Mike Conlin, IL, Soon-to-be-Retired; President's Award to Wildlife Forever; and Past President's Award to Mike Conlin, IL (Completed 6/29/08)
- ▶ Voted to send letter regarding CP 38 extensions and sodbusting to USDA (Private Land Recommendation) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Voted to send letter asking for national dialog on 4(f) highway designation consideration to USFWS (Public Land Recommendation) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Accepted 2008 minutes from annual business meeting in Estes Park, Colorado (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Voted to accept Treasurer's Report, cash on hand as of May 30, 2009 - \$53,425.98 (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Voted to accept Audit Report (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Voted to accept Investment Committee Report (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Approved one resolution (Completed 7/1/09)
 Thanking Illinois for holding conference
- ▶ Voted to approve Awards Committee Report (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Voted to approve by-law changes as recommended (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Voted to put together proposal to form Climate Change Technical Working Committee (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Voted to accept FY2010 budget as presented (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Voted to adjourn

Items discussed, but not voted on:

- ▶ Discussed State-of-the-State Topics (6/29/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Energy Development Impacts on Wildlife (Rob Manes, The Nature Conservancy) (Completed 6/29/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Video Marketing (Chris Moise, CEO, My Outdoor TV) (Completed 6/29/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Youth Careers in Nature (Jay Slack, USFWS National Conservation Training Center) (Completed 6/29/09)
- ▶ Heard report from the U.S. Forest Service (Lee Nightingale, U.S. Forest Service) (Completed 6/29/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on U.S. Geological Survey – North Central States (Max Ethridge, U.S. Geological Survey) (Completed 6/29/09)
- ▶ Heard report from the USDA/APHIS Wildlife Services (Charles Brown, USDA/APHIS) (Completed 6/29/09)
- ▶ Heard U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Reports (Region 3 Director Tom Melius and Financial Aid Chief Jim Hodgson; and Region 6 Director Steve Guertin) (Completed 6/29/09)
- ▶ Heard Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies (AFWA) Reports (President Rex Amack and Executive Director Matt Hogan) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard report on the National Fish & Wildlife Health Issues: Director's Toolkit (Dave Schad, Minnesota) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Public Trust Doctrine and Wildlife (Carol Bambery, AFWA) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Aquatic Nuisance Species: Managing the Resource and the User (Phil Moy, Wisconsin Sea Grant) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Climate Change: Climate Change Curriculum (Jay Slack, USFWS NCTC) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Climate Change: USFWS Rising to the Challenge (Tom Melius, USFWS Region 3) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard report and discussed Climate Change: AFWA Actions Currently Underway (Gary Taylor, AFWA) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Climate Change: USGS Climate Change Center (Sue Haseltine, USGS) (Completed 6/30/09)

- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Coordinating Bird Monitoring in the Midwest: Building Essential Tools, Products and Partnerships (Katie Koch, USFWS; and Andy Paulios, Wisconsin DNR) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Discussed and viewed PowerPoint on Community Archery Strategy (Mitch King, Archery Trade Association) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard report and discussed National Archery in the Schools Program (Tom Bennett, National Archery in the Schools Program) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard Animal & Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Wildlife Services Report (West Region Director Green and East Region Deputy Director McConnell) (Completed 6/30/08)
- ▶ Heard Eco Associates talk on Farm Bill Conservation Effects Assessment (Ray Evans) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard Private Lands Working Group and Public Lands Working Group joint report (Completed 6/30/09) – Sent some letters prior to meeting with approval of Executive Committee (no action required)
- ▶ Heard Deer and Wild Turkey Study Group report (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard Legal Committee report (no full report) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard Wildlife and Fish Health Committee report (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard Midwest Furbearer Group report (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard CITES report (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard NCN Committee report (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ Heard Pheasant Study Group report (no full report – meet every 2 years) (Completed 6/30/09)
- ▶ No report from State Wildlife Action Plan Technical Working Committee
- ▶ No report Law Enforcement Committee (AMGFLEO) (Report on MAFWA website)
- ▶ Heard investments report from Shane Hessman, Hampton & Hampton Consulting Corporation (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Viewed MAFWA Executive Secretary's PowerPoint Report (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Discussed FY2010 Budget (Completed 7/1/09)
- ▶ Passed the gavel to Indiana (Completed 7/1/09)

