

Minutes

Meeting name	Subject	Attendees	Action Items
REWG Annual Meeting	Annual Working Group Meeting	Frank Muth Tom Hall Bridget Spiza Will Ricks Nathan Jones Quentin Hays . Lindsay Quillen Jason Don Tracy Silvia Michael Whitby Tim Green Lee Walston Susan Rupp Shannon Deaton Misti Sporer	1. Provide write up for Conservation Affairs Committee 2. Need a member volunteer for Wildlife Professional Editorial Advisory Board
Meeting date 09-30-2020	Time 1230-1330 EST		
Location Teleconference			

Meeting Minutes

1) Annual Meeting

a) Attendees

- i) Frank Muth – USFWS NCTC
- ii) Tom hall – USDA APHIS
- iii) Bridget Spiza – CA Consulting
- iv) Will Ricks – T&E research at Duke Energy
- v) Nathan Jones – HTR Consulting (wind energy in grad school, now in Colorado)
- vi) Quentin Hays – West, Inc. (Corvallis, OR, but most work in southwest)
- vii) Lindsay Quillen
- viii) Jason Don – Metric Consulting....small consulting company in Indianapolis, works with DOT
- ix) Tracy Silvia – Rhode Island, regulatory permitting, offshore wind
- x) Michael Whitby
- xi) Tim Green
- xii) Lee Walston
- xiii) Susan Rupp
- xiv) Shannon Deaton – North Carolina
- xv) Misti Sporer – Duke Energy

b) TWS Policy Video:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hZut95FJNHjSx8Ug4lZwDBeTd5oGS2nD/view?usp=sharing>

c) Reports

i) Treasurer

- (1) In January, the REWG had little over \$2,000
- (2) As of 09/30/2020, the total is \$2,385
- (3) TWS moving to new financial platform (WeDidIt) in order to conform to federal laws

- (a) Mariah Simmons (TWS) indicated there will be additional training for working groups on the new platform
 - ii) Biomass-related events
 - (1) Susan Rupp updated the group on 2 biomass-related activities
 - (a) Bioenergy Day (October 21st, can contact carrie@usabiomass.org for more information)
 - (b) Sustainable Bioenergy Network List Serve – Request membership by emailing sustainablebioenergynetwork@lists.nationalwildlife.org
 - iii) Wind Wildlife Meeting (virtual)
 - (1) To be held first week of December
- d) Elections
 - i) Lee Walston (Member-At-Large)
 - ii) Michael Whitby (Treasurer)
 - iii) Jason Damm (Member-At-Large)
- e) Re-invigorating the Working Group
 - i) Proposed Committees with volunteers identified
 - (1) **Communications Committee** - This committee is responsible for general communications of the REWG including development and distribution of a newsletter, e-mail blasts of timely information, management of LinkedIn Group, development/maintenance of REWG Website, and other outreach activities.
 - (a) Lee Walston
 - (2) **Operations Committee** - This committee is responsible for elections, maintenance of the By-laws, and other operational needs of the REWG as they arise. Committee would seek candidates for open positions, develop the ballot, and coordinate annual elections with TWS prior to the Fall TWS Annual meeting. They would also work with the Executive Committee to update/maintain the By-laws and include voting requirements for By-laws changes during elections.
 - (3) **Fundraising/Sponsorship Committee** - This committee would be charged with seeking funds/sponsorships needed for meetings associated with the Annual Meeting of TWS (breakfasts or receptions) or the future standalone Renewable Energy Conference. Committee would interface with the Treasurer to ensure funds are deposited and tracked for specific purposes.
 - (4) **Conference Committee** - This committee has dual responsibilities – 1st is to develop activities associated with the Annual Meeting of TWS including workshops, field trips, symposia, and reception or breakfast. 2nd to develop and put on a Stand Alone Stand-Alone Renewable Energy Conference and all requirements for holding meeting.
 - (a) Lindsay Quillen
 - (5) **Activities Committee** - This committee would work with the Conference Committee to put together activities associated with the Annual Meeting, and work with Sections and Chapters to build relationships between these entities and the REWG.
 - (a) Lindsay Quillen
 - (6) **Conservation Affairs Committee (New Suggestion)** – Need to provide short write-up
 - (a) Quentin Hays
 - (b) Nathan Jones
- f) Wildlife Professional
 - i) Editorial Advisory Board – need a REWG member representative