

POLLINATOR FRIENDLY HABITAT WORKING GROUP

MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 9TH, 2017 MEETING

ALLIANCE CHURCH MENOMONIE, WI

The meeting opened at 6 PM by Mary Lotten, who agreed to co-chair the group for a year.

Attending: VK, ML and other DCBK member who dropped in the conversation

Discussions lead to establishing Goals for 2018:

1. Continue to look at ways to increase pollinator plants in our communities and townships which will help all bees and other pollinating insects. Learn from townships of their practices on mowing ditches where most of these plants grow (mono-cropping is reason of great decline in available plant nectar). Select townships where many beekeepers have their bees and talk with leaders of the need to allow plants to cycle through flowering and seed drop.
2. Develop handouts about what pollinator plants to grow in backyards and resources for planting many acres. Handouts will be available for Beekeeping Workshop and Dunn County Fair.
3. Consider connecting with CVTC on their Earth Day Activities to promote our goals.
4. Look into what other groups like Pheasants Forever are doing to promote pollinator habitats.
5. Encourage more members to join this group or help with promotional activities.

Recorded by:

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