Pennsylvania Wildlife Rehabilitation & Education Council May 10, 2022 – Notes from Zoom Virtual Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

On a motion by SueD, minutes of the March meeting were approved.

I. Treasurer's Report

Leah reported a previous balance of \$27,415.61. After payment of grant to Centre Wildlife for expenses in treating eagles for lead, the current balance is \$27,078.61.

II. Interview

Brook DiPaula of West Shore Wildlife was interviewed. She had taken all three tests and passed the mammal test. Council members agreed to recommend she be issued a permit for mammals. Chad agreed.

III. Law Enforcement

There were no law enforcement updates.

Chad explained that the April Commissioners' meeting had been postponed. The Council's proposal for an additional class of mammal permit will be brought up at a future meeting.

The Council also suggested revisiting the 2-per-county permit limit.

IV. Other

Having the Council apply for 501c3 status was discussed. All agreed that contacting the PA Association of Non-profit Organizations (PANO) for advice was a good idea. Robyn offered to contact them.

There was a discussion on setting term limits for Council members. No decision was made.

Everyone was encouraged to consider speakers and topics for a 2023 conference. Robyn had received information from the Ramada Inn at State College. SueD asked everyone to read over and give feedback on that information.

Leah agreed to write a grant application for HPAI test kits. Peggy will then put the application on the PAWR website.

Peggy Hentz Council Member