

3/16/2021 Central Wisconsin Wild Ones meeting minutes

Board updates: Paul Skawinski: president, acting treasurer, Keri Otte: vice-president/interim secretary, Ben Kollock: treasurer, Karen Blaha: web master. Secretary opening - if interested please contact Paul or Keri.

Meetings run from March through November. February is our annual plant sale, with delivery in early May. Curbside pick up available for our member library. If you are willing to give a quick group tour of your native gardens or prairies this summer, please reach out to Keri or Paul. The seed garden is available for seed collection: please contact Ben Kollock if you are interested in collecting prairie seeds. We are in process of designing and implementing garden sites at various community schools and parks. We have a continuing partnership with Farmshed in Stevens Point to utilize their greenhouse in exchange for plant donations to their plant sale.

Patch Street Prairie updates: Crown vetch was treated by the Stevens Point Parks & Forestry Dept in spring 2020, and several hundred native plugs were added by CWWO volunteers. Also, siberian elm seedlings/saplings were removed by hand or with a weed wrench.

Paul gave a quick recap on school gardens in the Stevens Point and Waupaca areas that CWWO has assisted with in the last couple of years.

CWWO partnered with Amherst YMCA Camp Glacier Hollow and the Stevens Point Kiwanis Club to put in a native shoreline garden last year at the camp.

Big Piffner Park (Stevens Point) project partnering with the City to design, implement, and plant a native shoreline garden to reduce erosion, provide shoreline wildlife habitat, and reduce the goose problem in the nearby area.

Meetings planned throughout the rest of the year - stay tuned for many exciting learning opportunities!