

## COMMITTEE MINUTES for NATURAL RESOURCES

**Date:** February 03, 2009

**Place:** Room 19

**Convened:** 2/3/2009 2:05 PM  
**Recessed:**

**Reconvened:**

**Adjourned:** 2/3/2009 2:55 PM

**Present:** Representatives Bell-CH, Beard-VC, Deyoe-RM, Arnold, Baudler, Ficken, Huseman, Lykam, Marek, May, Palmer, Rayhons, Schultz, Steckman, Sweeney, Thede, Upmeyer, Whitaker, Whitead, Zirkelbach

**Absent:** None

**Excused:** Representative Mertz

The House Natural Resources Committee was called to order by Representative Bell at 2:05 pm. Roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

There were no changes to the minutes from January 29, 2009 and the minutes were approved as stood.

Representative Bell read in new subcommittee bill assignments. House Study Bill 136 was assigned to Bell-CH, Arnold, Beard, Deyoe, Whitaker. House File 116 was assigned to Whitaker-CH, Baudler, Marek. House File 117 was assigned to Mertz-CH, Huseman, Whitead. House File 137 was assigned to Zirkelbach-CH, Steckman, Upmeyer. House File 164 was assigned to Mertz-CH, Beard, Schultz.

Rich Leopold, Director of the Department of Natural Resources, and Pat Boddy, Deputy Director of the Department of Natural Resources, presented at the meeting. Recently hired Deputy Director Boddy gave a short introduction of herself to the members. Director Leopold briefed the committee on the state of the DNR, upcoming DNR initiatives, proposals, needs, and concerns. Director Leopold then took questions regarding the DNR from the members.

The committee adjourned at 2:55 following a motion by Representative Rayhons.

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Representative Paul A. Bell

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Rachel Moskowitz, Committee Secretary