

BY-LAWS OF THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY CHAPTER
of the Wisconsin Woodland Owners Association

A non-profit corporation under the statutes of Wisconsin

ARTICLE I - NAME

Section 1. The name of this organization shall be THE CHIPPEWA VALLEY CHAPTER OF THE WISCONSIN WOODLAND OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED.

ARTICLE II - OFFICES

Section 1. The principal office and place of business of the Chapter will be determined periodically by the Board of Directors based on need and efficiency.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The purpose of the Chapter is to advance the interest of woodland owners and to provide a forum for the ongoing education of woodland owners in regard to the wise use and management of the woodlands and all related resources.

ARTICLE IV - MEMBERSHIP AND DUES

Section 1. All memberships are family memberships.

Section 2. Other than payment of dues, there are no requirements for membership.

Section 3. Memberships are on a calendar year basis, with dues payable on January 1.

Section 4. No dues or fees are refundable.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section 1. The Chapter shall have a President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer, and Communications/Publicity Chairman elected from the membership. Their duties are as follows:

- a) The President shall preside at all meetings of the membership whenever possible, call meetings and appoint committees. The President shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the Chapter with authority to carry out all duties that might be assigned by the Chapter.
- b) The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President when necessary and assist the other officers when called upon.
- c) The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep all records of the Chapter, including financial and membership, record minutes of the meetings and perform other correspondence duties as may be requested. She/he shall act as custodian of the funds of the Chapter and provide supervision over the financial affairs of the Chapter. He/she will provide financial reports at Annual Meetings and at any other time requested by the Board of Directors.
- d) The Communications/Publicity Chairman shall be responsible

for all general meeting and publicity communications to the membership including a Chapter newsletter and meeting notices if the latter are not covered by a newsletter.

ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. The Board of Directors shall consist of the four elected officers for the current year and the President for the preceding term plus two members-at-large to be elected from the membership. Preferably these members-at-large will represent different counties and will, as much as possible, represent counties not already represented on the Board.

ARTICLE VII - ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Section 1. An annual election of officers will be held at the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. The Board of Directors will act as a nominating committee and will submit a name for each office to be filled, each nominee having acknowledged in advance his/her willingness to serve as an officer. The Board may submit more than one name for each office.

Section 3. Nominations will be encouraged from the general membership, but no member may be considered duly nominated unless he/she has indicated a willingness to serve.

ARTICLE VIII - TERM OF OFFICE

Section 1. An officer's term is one year.

Section 2. Officers may be elected to serve additional terms in the same office.

ARTICLE IX - FISCAL YEAR

Section 1. The fiscal year of the Chapter shall begin January 1 and end December 31.

ARTICLE X - ANNUAL MEETING

Section 1. An Annual Meeting of the general membership shall be held on call of the President not later than 90 days after the close of the fiscal year, at such time and place as seems appropriate.

Section 2. Notice of the Annual Meeting will be mailed to all members at least two weeks in advance.

Section 3. A quorum for the transaction of business shall consist of those members present.

ARTICLE XI - COMMITTEES

Section 1. The President may from time to time appoint such committees as may be needed to facilitate the effective operation

of the Chapter.

ARTICLE XII - SALARIES

Section 1. No member of the Board of Directors shall receive compensation for services to the Chapter.

ARTICLE XIII - AMENDMENTS

Section 1. Amendments to the By-Laws may be adopted by the Board of Directors, subject to amendment or repeal by the membership at the next Annual Meeting.

Section 2. Amendments require a majority vote of the Board of Directors or of those members present at the Annual Meeting.