Waterloo Technical Society

April 14, 2021 Meeting

The April 14, 2021 Waterloo Technical Society (WTS) meeting was called to order by President Stephen Crouse at 7:20 pm. President Crouse welcomed members of the Cedar Valley Woodworkers and othervisitors and noted that this was the first meeting of the 107th year of the Society. Traditionally, the year was from September through May. Due to the pandemic, COVID-19, the last meeting of the Society was March 11, 2020. The officers, approved by the membership, decided to change the Society year to be from April through November.

A total of 31 members and approximately 20 guests attended.

President Crouse recognized Cedar Valley Woodworkers president, Milo Mead, and all the members of that organization in attendance.

Treasurer's Report. Ken Friend submitted the Treasurer's report through the President as he was not attending due to the Cedar Falls mask mandate which was recently extended to May 19, 2021. A beginning balance of $737.47 with $20.00 income from paid membership and expenses of $20 for the March 2020 speaker 's meal leaves a new balance of $737.47. Treasurer Friend's report stated a total of 6 honorary and 44 paid members yielding a membership roster of 50 members.

Introduction of Officers. Officers for the 2021 year (year 107) were noted:

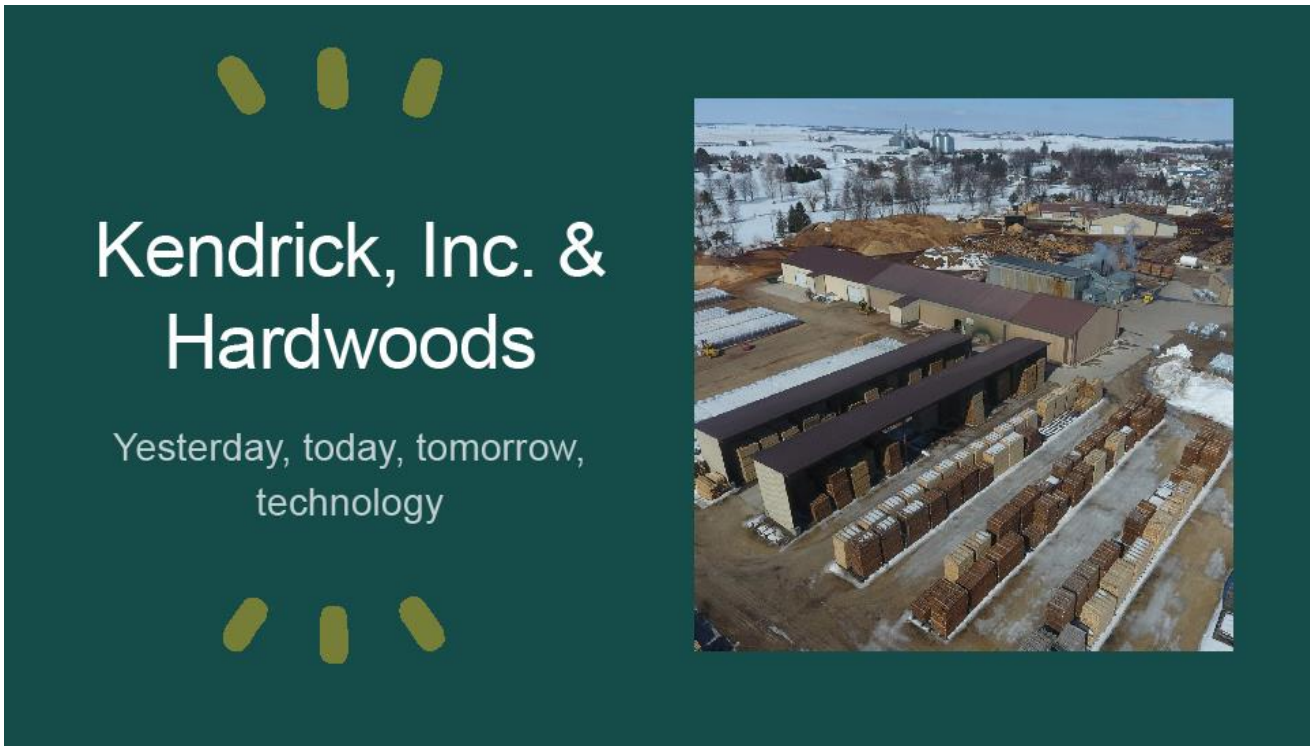
President:	Stephen Crouse
Co-Vice Presidents:	Jerry Mohling and Dan Johnson
Treasurer:	Kenneth Friend and Paul Anderson
Dinner Reservations:	Derek Eagles and Steve Lang
Secretary:	James Stevenson
Publicity/Recognition:	Vacant
Auditing:	Bill Mitchell and Jim Garrett
Nominating Committee:	Ralph Marrero
Web Site:	Tim Schoenfelder

Old Business. No old business was discussed.

New Business. No new business was discussed.

Guest Speaker. **Greg Blomberg,** like many of us, Greg went to college intending to be an engineer. Unlike us, he switched gears early on and instead focused on Accounting at Minnesota's Carlson School of Management. Greg is still a Golden Gopher at heart (please forgive him), he resides in the land of the Badgers, and spends his work week leading a group of Hawkeye fans. Greg has progressed up the ladder during his career from a lumber inspector and inventory manager into his most recent position as the General Manager of Kendrick, Inc. Kendrick Inc is the state's largest and most productive sawmill. He has been in the hardwood industry in one capacity or another for almost 30 years and has inspected, or overseen the inspection of, 250 million board feet of lumber.

Greg's presentation, linked below, was supplemented by video of operations. He extended an invitation to visit which has a $5 charge per person for a tour.



Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Next Meeting. The next meeting will be May 12, 2021. Jason Kurtz will address the topic of Electric Bicycles.

Respectfully submitted,

James R. Stevenson, President and Secretary