

HUMBOLDT COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE
Minutes
Monday February 2nd 2009
7:00 Meeting

HUMBOLDT COUNTY COURTHOUSE
COMMISSIONERS ROOM
25 W. 5th St.
Winnemucca Nevada 89445

1. **7:00 Meeting**-Called to order by Chairman Tom Cassinelli at 7:05 p.m.

Members Present: 1. Tom Cassinelli
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 3. Fred Stewart
 4. Michael Jurad
 5. Steve Hemp

Members Absent: Giovanni Giordano

Public: Ed Partee (NDOW), Jim Rackley (Nevada Muleys), Tyler Turnipseed (NDOW), Kenny Pirkle (NDOW), Todd Ricketts (Public), Steve DelSoldato (Public), Jessica Partee (Public), Don Stoker (Public), David Stoker (Public), Brad Bauman (NDOW), Paul Dankowski (NDOW), Mike Dobel (NDOW), Clint Garrett (NDOW)

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**- Action taken.

3. **Reading of the previous meeting minutes**-No action taken.

4. **Correspondence, Reports, Public Comment**-Public comment about youth hunt. Worried about split seasons. Recruiting youth to hunting. Giving every opportunity to youth.

Mike Dobel went over department's thoughts behind 2009, 2010 big game season recommendations and the list of changes from the 2008 seasons.

5. **Commission Regulation 09-05:Proposed Big Game Seasons Dates**-

* **Pronghorn Antelope Hunts 2151, 2251, 2161, 2261. 2181**- Discussion: Split seasons for 033, 041-042. Number of tags resulting in lesser quality? A 50/50 split in tags? Limited weekend days on split hunts. Nonresident and doe hunts.

- Michael Jurad motioned to accept dept. recommendations for all pronghorn seasons except for 041-042 to stay with same single 15 day hunt (August 15th

-September 5th). Fred Stewart seconded. Motion passed 2 in favor, 1 apposed(Steve Hemp).

- * **Elk Hunts 4102, 4151, 4251, 4156, 4256, 4161, 4181, 4176, 4111**-Discussion: Cow hunts, area 6 having enough population to support cow hunts. Possibility of rut hunts and rotating rut hunt.
 - Steve Hemp motioned to accept dept. recommendations for elk. Fred Stewart seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)

- * **Nelson Desert Bighorn Sheep Hunts 3151, 3251**-Discussion: Early/split seasons. PIW tags not being allowed to hunt early seasons. Desert sheep doing well.
 - Fred Stewart motioned to accept dept. recommendations with the early hunts in areas 161, 184, and 202 being off limits to PIW tag holders. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)

- * **California Bighorn Sheep Hunts 8151, 8251**-Discussion: Status of 051 herd.
 - Steve Hemp motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)

- * **Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep Hunts 9151, 9251**-Discussion: Talk of Heritage tag and when might be one.
 - Fred Stewart motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)

- * **Rocky Mountain Goat Hunts 7151, 7251**-Discussion: Talk of how well goats are doing. Discussion of domestic goats mixing with Mountain Goats.
 - Steve Hemp motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Fred Stewart seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)

- * **Junior Mule Deer Hunt 1107**-Discussion: Much discussion about youth hunt, giving them every opportunity to get in the field. With school, sports, church, parents work schedules, travel, split seasons would greatly diminish opportunity. More recruitment of youth to hunting. Ed Partee noted to board letters from youth hunters or previous youth hunters- Fred Stewart summarized letters-letters were against split seasons for youth hunt.
 - Fred Stewart motioned to allow youth to hunt any open season for deer in that unit, using weapon open at that time, no split seasons. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)

- * **Hunt 1181**-Michael Jurad motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Steve Hemp seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)
- * **Hunt 1101**-Fred Stewart motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)
- * **Restricted Nonresident Mule Deer/Resident and Nonresident Mule Deer Hunts 1235, 1131**-Discussion:Split seasons. Traditional hunts. Congestion issues.
 - Michael Jurad motioned to accept dept. recommendations for all units except Humboldt County areas 031, 043-046 to not be split, running Oct. 5th-Nov. 5th and areas 032, 034, 035 to run Oct. 5th-Nov. 5th. Tom Cassinelli seconded. All in favor. (3-0)
- * **Hunt 1371**-Michael Jurad motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Fred Stewart seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)
- * **Hunt 1341**-Fred Stewart motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)
- * **2009-2010 Bighorn Sheep Indoctrination Courses**-Fred Stewart motioned to accept with noted changes. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)
- * **2009-2010 PIW Hunts**- Fred Stewart motioned to accept dept. recommendations with emphasis on early hunts off limits to PIW tagholders. Michael Jurad seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)
- * **2010-2011 Wildlife Heritage Tag Quota and Seasons, CR 09-01 and 09-02**- Discussion: Much discussion about year round season, aerial scouting, getting 2 calendar seasons.
 - Tom Cassinelli motioned to have heritage tag start on opening dates with weapon class that is legal at that time(like PIW). Season to extend until February 5th. Fred Stewart seconded. Motion passed 3 in favor 1 apposed(Steve Hemp)
- * **2009-2010 Mountain Lion Harvest Objectives, CR 09-06**-Steve Hemp motioned to accept dept. recommendations. Fred Stewart seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)
- * **Ira Hanson Petition**-Tom Cassinelli motioned to deny petition. Fred Stewart seconded. All in favor. No apposed. (3-0)

9. **Further Public Comment**-No further public comment.
10. **Future agenda items, future meeting dates**-Noted that Tom Cassinelli, Giovanni Giordano and Steve Hemp would be attending Commission meeting Feb. 5th and 6th in Reno NV.
11. **Adjournment**- Fred Stewart motioned to adjourn. Tom Cassinelli seconded the motion. All in favor. No apposed. (4-0) Meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.