



# STOREY COUNTY WILDLIFE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 4:00 P.M.

ICE HOUSE

110 EAST TOLL ROAD, VIRGINIA CITY, NEVADA

## AGENDA

MEMBERS: GREG "BUM" HESS, CHAIRMAN; GREG HESS, VICE-CHAIRMAN; DENY DOTSON, CLERK-TREASURER; BILL CLARKE; RICH BACUS

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### CALL TO ORDER AT 4:00 P.M.

*Present: Bum Hess, Greg Hess, Rich Bacus, Bill Clarke, Deny Dotson*

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### PUBLIC COMMENT

*\*Mark Joseph Phillips spoke about being interested in the process and was happy that the agenda was now posted.*

*\*Jeanne Gribbon spoke about being glad that the meeting was posted properly; was upset about the Bighorn Sheep being reintroduced into Storey County; and was not in favor of any additional animals (namely mountain quail and /or antelope) being reintroduced into Storey County.*

*\*Sally Summers, with Horse Power, stated that she concerned about any potential action that may impact current horse populations and was also happy that the open meeting was posted properly.*

*\*Chairman Hess asked that the record reflect Mrs. Gribbons objections to the sheep reintroduction referenced our Nevada State animal.*

### CONSENT AGENDA

**\*Approval of Agenda for December, 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

*Greg Hess motioned, Bill Clarke second...all ayes!*

### AGENDA ITEMS:

**\*DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Nomination of Officers for 2012: Chairman, Vice Chairman, And Clerk-Treasure: *Bum Hess motioned for Greg Hess for Chairman,*

*Bill Clarke second...all ayes; Bill Clarke motioned for Rich Bacus as Vice Chair, Greg Hess second...all ayes; Bill Clarke motioned Deny Dotson as Clerk-Treasure, Greg Hess second...all ayes.*

**\*DISCUSSION ONLY:**

NDOW; Update on Bighorn sheep reintroduction into Storey County  
*Carl Lackey, with NDOW, presented a Google map showing the travel pattern(s) of the released sheep. He stated that they appeared to stay near the Truckee River corridor, have not crossed I-80, nor traveled south towards the VC Highlands. Bum Hess wanted to convey that Todd Hess had received interest from other school districts to possibly view the sheep at some point*

**\*DISCUSSION ONLY:**

NDOW; Update on current Bear hunt in Nevada  
*Carl Lackey said that 13 bears have been harvested (8 males & 5 females). This included one bear approx. 700lbs. Most hunters were averaging 20-25 days of hunting. The season ends on December 31<sup>st</sup>...or if one more female is harvested.*

**\*DISCUSSION ONLY:**

NDOW; Update on Unit 195 2011 deer season(s)  
*Jake Kramer, NDOW Game Warden, explained the mix-up on season dates for the youth hunts. Mike Dobel, with NDOW, also further explained the mix up and suggested the Board look at keeping the seasons the same for 2012.*

**\*DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION:** Discuss with NDOW the possibility of reintroduction and or transplantation of Antelope and /or Mountain Quail into Storey County

*Carl Lackey explained that he thought there was sufficient habitat to look at bringing additional mountain quail to Storey County. However, he noted that most of the birds are relocated out of Oregon @ approx. \$100 per bird. Deny Dotson noted that he had seen a small group of mountain quail along 6 Mile Canyon road this summer.*

*Mike Dobel commented that there is approx 200- 300 antelope just due north of the I-80 corridor from Storey County and that the newer guzzlers would work if they found their way across the river. Bum Hess stated that he thought the owners of the Tahoe Reno Industrial park would be open to the concept, if the habit was shown to be compatible. Carl Lackey noted that the department would keep Storey County in mind if an opportunity came up in the future.*

**\* DISCUSSION ONLY: FUTURE MEETINGS AND AGENDA ITEMS**

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*Mike Kramer and Jeremy Drew suggested the Advisory Board meet in late January, prior to the Commissions meeting in February. Deny Dotson will work with Carl Lackey on a possible January 25<sup>th</sup> meeting.*

**BOARD COMMENT**

*None*

**ADJOURNMENT 4:45pm**

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By   
Deny Dotson, Clerk-Treasurer