



Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

MEETING MINUTES

Date: December 1, 2009
Location: Meeting Room: ODC-3, 500 Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada
Time: 6:00pm
Board Members Present: Paul Dixon, Chair Paul Harris Jeff Hutchison
Gary Pratt John Sullivan

The agenda for this meeting was posted in the following locations;

- Nevada Department of Wildlife, 4747 West Vegas Drive, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89158;
- Clark County Government Center, 500 Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada, 89108;
- City of Henderson, City Hall, 240 Water Street, Henderson, Nevada, 89015;
- Boulder City, City Hall, 401 California Avenue, Boulder City, Nevada, 89005;
- Laughlin Town Manager's Office; 101 Civic Way, Laughlin, Nevada, 89028;
- Moapa Valley Community Center, 320 North Moapa Valley Road, Overton, Nevada, 89040;
- Mesquite City Hall, 10 East Mesquite Boulevard, Mesquite, Nevada, 89027.

Date: November 23, 2009

Call to Order

- a. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Paul Dixon.
- b. Roll call of Board Members was performed by Stacy Matthews. A quorum was present.
- c. The Minutes of the Board Meeting held on November 10, 2009 were approved as written.
- d. The Agenda for this meeting was approved with the following additional topics added after posting of the agenda. These topics are discussion items relevant to items on the NDOW Commission Meeting, Dec. 4-5, 2009. These topics fall under Agenda Item **D: Discussion regarding Nevada Department of Wildlife Agenda December 4th – December 5th, 2009.**
 - i. Central Nevada Elk Plan Coordination and Oversight Team
 - ii. Biennial Big Game Release Plan for Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011
 - iii. Heritage Projects #1023, 1026, and 1027
 - iv. Changes to Nevada's Waterfowl Hunting Zones

v. Angler Marketing Plan

Public Comment:

- a. Dan Swanson: Expressed interest in whether or not Commissioner Raine had in fact disclosed personal relationships on the Predator Committee with recipients of Heritage Tax funds. No posted Meeting minutes include information regarding this matter. Paul Dixon will ask Ken Wellington.
- b. Commissioner Charlie Howell: Commented, Commissioner Raine’s relationships were divulged at the meeting. The relationships were not viewed as a conflict of interest. Commissioner Raine did not abstain from voting.

Paul Dixon reviewed the current NDOW committee staffing assignments:

Duck Stamp Judging Committee	Commissioners McBeath (Chair), Cavin, Wallace Staff to Committee: Aaron Meier
Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee	Commissioner Wallace (Chair) Staff: Kevin Lansford
Wildlife Scholarship Recipient Selection Committee	Commissioners Cavin (Chair), McBeath, Mori Staff to Committee: Craig Mortimore
Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Conservation Award Judging Committee	Commissioners Howell (Chair), Kobrin, Raine Staff to Committee: Kim Toulouse
Finance Committee	Commissioners Howell (Chair), Kobrin, Capurro Staff to Committee: Dave Prather and Patrick Cates
Elk Damage and Incentive Committee	Commissioners Wallace (Chair), Mori, Cavin Staff to the Committee: Dr. Mark Atkinson, DVM
Wildlife Damage Management Committee	Commissioners Raine (Chair), Howell, Capurro, Wallace, and Mike Laughlin Staff to Committee: Kevin Lansford
Administrative Procedures, Regulations, and Policy Committee	Commissioners Kobrin (Chair), Raine, Howell Staff to Committee: Kim Jolly
Legislative Committee	Commissioners Capurro (Chair), Lent, Howell Staff to Committee: Kim Jolly
Wildlife Heritage Committee	Commissioners Lent (Chair), Raine, Kobrin Staff to Committee: Gabe Pincolini

Paul also addressed low public attendance at CCABMW meetings and asked for ideas from attendees. Dan Swanson pointed out that the NDOW Commission meetings are poorly attended aside from CABMW members and NDOW Staff. Commissioner Howell believes the Commissioners are there to represent their constituents. Paul Harris disagreed and feels last minute changes to the NDOW agenda is not conducive to promoting attendance. John Sjoberg suggested posting meeting information at retail outlets that cater to hunters and sportsmen. Gary Pratt brought up the weekly Outdoor article in the Review-Journal as a good outlet for getting the

word out. Bill Watson recommended posting at the Shooting Park when it opens. Paul Harris noted that upcoming meetings and events are published in the Outdoor section of the Review Journal on Sundays on a space available basis. Jeff Hutchinson suggested a one-page flier distributed with fishing licenses that described the committee and posted the meeting schedule. Paul Harris is developing a list of local sporting groups that could be sent a monthly email with Committee news and meeting plans to disseminate the information more broadly. John Sjoberg offered to investigate and feed back to the Committee as to whether pamphlets can be available and handed out at the NDOW offices in Clark County.

Action Items

A. Restoring Nevada's Mule Deer Population

Paul Dixon summarized the discussion and actions from the November 10th CCABMW meeting in that Tracy Truman and Mike Reese are gathering input to draft a recommendation for CCABMW to submit to NDOW early 2010. Anyone may offer ideas for consideration.

Motion was made and seconded to review the recommendations at the CCABMW Meeting in March 9th. If all are in agreement, submit the recommendation to NDOW in March, otherwise refine the recommendations for submission in May 2010.

Motion approved unanimously.

B. Trail Camera Use

Paul Dixon summarized the discussion and actions from the November 10th CCABMW meeting and asked for any additional input. Mike Reese is gathering input on Trail Camera use and regulatory recommendations.

C. Commission Regulations

1) Commission Regulation 07 – 07 Amendment #5

This is a correction to the turkey hunt information involving Moapa and Overton. Motion made and seconded to approve this amendment as written. Motion passed unanimously.

2) Commission General Regulation 370, LCB File No. R082-09

This is a clarification of regulations on bull frogs and crawfish. No license is required if a hook and line is not used. Motion made and seconded to approve this regulation as written. Motion passed unanimously.

3) Commission General Regulation 372 – LCB File No. R115-09

This is a clarification of definition of “antlered”, length of antlers or horns, etc. Motion made and seconded to approve this regulation as written. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Commission General Regulation 373 – LCB File No. R110-09

This is a clarification of regulation regarding use of Dacey Reservoir, (i.e., motorized boat restrictions, fishing limits, etc.). Motion made and seconded to approve this regulation as written. Motion passed unanimously.

5) Commission General Regulation 376- LCB File No. R137-09

This is an update of regulation on cast nets to bring Nevada in line with the other states on the Colorado River changing the diameter from 3 feet to 4 feet. Motion made and seconded to approve this regulation as written. Motion passed unanimously.

6) Commission Policies, First Reading

a) Commission Policy No. 50, Duck Stamp Procedure

This proposed policy establishes a seven member judging team (up from 3) and sets forth additional rules for the annual Nevada Duck Stamp Art Contest. Motion made and seconded to adopt this policy as written. Motion passed unanimously.

b) Commission Policy No. 51, Wayne E. Kirch Nevada Wildlife Conservation Award

This proposed policy revises the policy for administering the Wayne E. Kirch Nevada Wildlife Conservation Award. The changes are extensive. Motion made and seconded to adopt this policy as written. Motion passed Yea: 3 (Paul Dixon, Paul Harris, John Sullivan), No: 2 (Gary Pratt, Jeff Hutchinson)

c) Commission Policy No. 22, Introduction, Transplanting and Exportation of Wildlife

This proposed policy addresses the procedures for introducing or moving wildlife species within the state or out of the state. Discussion of this item revealed that the wording in this proposed Policy will significantly restrict the ability to make effective wildlife transplants. Motion made and seconded to not support any changes to Policy 22. Motion passed unanimously.

D. Discussion regarding Nevada Department of Wildlife Agenda December 4th – December 5th, 2009.

a) Central Nevada Elk Plan Coordination and Oversight Team

Paul Dixon recommended no action on this item due to lack of information.

b) Biennial Big Game Release Plan for Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011

Motion made and seconded to approve this plan as written. Motion passed unanimously.

c) Heritage Projects #1023, 1026, and 1027

This is a review of three projects seeking funds: **1023 – Hunter’s Alert:** \$50k project for mule deer predator control; **1026 – Nevada Alliance for Wildlife:** 5 year \$566k project to increase mule deer populations and control large predators; **1027 –**

\$250k Sage Grouse enhancement project in areas 6 and 7.

No action taken on the three proposed Heritage Projects. Motion made and seconded to not support any changes to Policy 25. Motion passed with two abstentions.

d) Angler Marketing Plan

This is a plan to contact those with at least 1-year lapsed fishing licenses to get them to renew. Direct mail program cost \$46k resulting in \$63k in new licenses.

Informational Items – No action may be taken on these items.

A. Member Comments – any item requiring Board action will be scheduled on a future agenda.

No member comments.

B. Next scheduled meetings of the Board and Commission

The next Clark County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting is scheduled for 6:00pm, January 26th, 2010, in the Pueblo Room at the Clark County Government Center. The next Commission meeting is scheduled for February 5th and 6th, 2010 in Reno, Nevada.

8. Adjournment

- Motion made to adjourn. Motion seconded.
- Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.