

Lander County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

March 12, 2019
Battle Mountain Fire Hall
Battle Mountain, NV 89820

DRAFT MINUTES

- I. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairman Scott Torgerson
- II. Members present were: Shawn Mariluch, Ted McElvain, Worth Nelson, Colt Spealman & Scott Torgerson
- III. Shawn Mariluch motioned to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded and carried.
- IV. Ted McElvain motioned to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and carried.
- V. Correspondence—Scott Torgerson talked about the concern dealing with keeping personal information private when applying for a tag. He discussed this matter with a local guide who suggested that maybe the out-of-state successful tag people could have their information shared to guides, etc... whereas in-state people could have theirs kept private. Shawn Mariluch mentioned that the out-of-state people should be able to write a letter to request to have theirs kept quiet. No action was taken.
- VI. Public Comment—Jerry Annis who is representing the Lander County Conservation Board, told us that they will be holding their meetings the 2nd Tuesday of the odd numbered months (Jan., Mar., May, etc...). He also said that they are thinking of having open forum meetings on the even numbered months where they would invite someone from special interest groups (for example: NDOW, US Fish & Wildlife) to come and talk to us about concerns. He also mentioned that the LC Conservation Board is always available to help with projects.
- VII. New Business
 1. Update from NDOW Biologist Tom Donham
They did an early survey of Area 15 for deer and it went well. It wasn't a comprehensive survey. The fawn numbers looked very good. He also reported that they hired a new Biologist for our area. Her name is Sara Hale, she is from Montana and will be starting April 1st. They were able to collar 5 sheep on the Sheep Creek Range.
 2. Discussion and possible recommendation about the Use of 'Smart' Technology to hunt that connects Phone/Scope/Range Finder
Worth Nelson presented members with 4 different articles about different devices that make it extremely easy for a person to let the devices do all the work for you and you only need to pull the trigger. There was discussion about having another government regulation; that most hunters probably wouldn't be using these type of devices but it would be easier to stop it now than later. Plus, should the CAB make a recommendation or propose a new law. Shawn Mariluch made a motion to table the discussion until next meeting. The motion was seconded and carried.
 3. Update and possible recommendations about State Agenda Items
Scott Torgerson stated that he would not be attending this state meeting as planned because we found out they would not be having a TAAH committee meeting.

Ted McElvain brought up Item 15A which is about allowing people who apply for tags to choose whether they want their personal information to remain private or not and also about whether they want their success results posted or not. Last year they used one box and it was all or nothing. This year there will be 2 different boxes to make your choice. One will be about personal information and the other will be about posting successful tag results or not. Our CAB is in support of this matter.

The CAB read through CR-19-13 Seasons Bag Limits & Special Regulations for Migratory Bird Season. Ted McElvain made a motion to approve all limits and regulations. The motion was seconded and carried.

4. Discussion and possible recommendation for future agenda items
Update from NDOW
Use of Technology
State Agenda items (Big Game Quotas)
Ewe Hunt in Area 068

Other Business

The board requested that the secretary send another email to Commissioner Valentine about the Youth Antelope Hunt. The secretary asked Tom Donham about who worked with Valentine and he stated to also send it to Chet Vanddalin.

Next meeting will be April 30th at 6 pm and Chairman Torgerson will ask to have it at the Community Meeting Room at the Court House.

Shawn Mariluch made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm.

5. Discussion and possible recommendation for Future Agenda Items
State Agenda Meeting Items
Use of 'Smart' Technology to hunt that connects Phone/Scope/Range Finder

VIII. Next meeting will be March 12 at 5:00 pm at the Court House (if available).

IX. Meeting was adjourned at 6:10 pm.