

Minutes of the Meeting of the Mineral County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Monday January 22, 2018 at 6:00 PM

MEETING ROOM, HAWTHORNE FIRE HOUSE

Present: Glenn Bunch, Chairman,
Members: Billie Williams Jr., Johnny Peterson, Wayne Larson,
Marlene Bunch, Recording Secretary

Also Present: None

Absent: Darren Hamrey

Glenn Bunch called the meeting to order and noted that the meeting was properly noticed

1. **CGR 475, Shed Antlers-** The board will consider recommendations to the Commission as they consider adopting a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation prohibits a person from collecting shed antlers at any time during a year unless the shed antlers are collected by the person from the field from April 15 to December 31, inclusive, of that year.

Glenn gave an update of the discussions and changes made at the last NDOW meeting and read the times as stated in the supported material.

Discussion of locations designated and the time frame and why they are putting restrictions on them. Glenn stated at the price they are getting paid for the sheds.

Wayne asked who is going to monitor it?

Further discussion of the sheds and the money in it.

The board has no problem and agree with recommendations of CGR 475

2. **CGR 440-Trail Cameras and other Devices, LCB File No R012-16.** The Board will consider recommendations to the Commission for consideration to adopt a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code. The proposed regulation change is intended to restrict the use of motion and heat sensing cameras that are left for a period of time, and not held in the hand. The proposed language would prohibit (with certain exemptions) the use of trail cameras within 200 feet of a spring, water hole, or artificial basin from Aug 1 to Dec 31 of each year. The proposed language would further prohibit the use of transmitting trail cameras at any location from Aug 1 to Dec 31 of each year. The proposed language would further prohibit the use of transmitting trail cameras at any location from Aug 1 to Dec 31 of each year.

Glenn gave an update from the last NDOW meeting that they had one picture with 30 cameras on the guzzler. These are the things they are trying to take out.

Also there are cameras that are transmitted to a video receiver at home and could watch it in real time.

Further discussion of the department recommendations that the verbiage was refined a little more and

The board agrees with CGR 440

3. **Commission General Regulation 473, Safe Hunting Distance, LCB File No R111-17.** The Board will make recommendation to the Commission as they hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation would make it unlawful for a person to discharge a firearm, to draw or release an arrow from a bow or to draw or

release a crossbow arrow or bolt from a crossbow within a certain distance of any occupied dwelling without the consent of the owner or occupant of the dwelling.

Glenn gave an update to the Board of the issues that we have with other areas and hunting within the suggested. He stated that it had been pulled from the Commission Agenda but if the board had any suggestions to take the NDOW staff that he would talk with the dept with it.

The board discussed various issues that comes with the area around the town of Walker Lake. That it takes a mile, and the recommendation as it is written would removes the entire cliffs area. Then also Cottonwood Canyon would be affected with a mile.

Discussion of various hunting areas where there are cabins or homes out in the hunt areas, that it would create a problem in those areas.

Wayne stated it refers to the area up Corey that the hunting area.

Also pointed out the areas of houses going up Lucky Boy that it would be problems as there are housing up going up there too.

No recommendation as the item was removed from the Commission Agenda.
Discussion for board information only.

4. **Commission General Regulation 476, Processing Fees, LCB File No R142-17** The Board will make Recommendation for the Commission as the hold a workshop to consider amending Chapter 502.118 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC). This regulation reduces the current convenience fee of \$2.00 for residents and \$3.50 for non-residents per item purchased online to a processing fee of \$1.00 per item purchased regardless of residency and method of purchase. This fee change will reduce fees to individual customers while preserving the necessary means of paying the Department's Credit Card processing charges.

Glenn informed the Board that what they would like everyone to do is go on line and fill out a profile. When you go on line when you buy your license so that you on record and it autofills your form for you.

Johnny asked what about the piece in there about taking out the mail in applications.

Wayne stated that he does not like to put anything on the internet. He thinks it's wrong and would like to allow the mail-in process to be allowed. There are a lot of elderly people that do not have computers and it's discriminating against people that do not have computers.

The consensus of the board to agree with fees, but disagree with the "on-line" only portion of the recommendation. (This portion of the discussion is brought up later)

5. **Commission Regulation 18-02, 2018 Black Bear Seasons** – The Board will make recommendations to the Commission as the will consider adopting 2018 hunting season dates, open management units, hunting hours, special regulations, animal sex, legal weapon requirement, hunt boundary restrictions, and dates and times for indoctrination courses for black bear.

Glenn read to the Board the 201, 204, 206 Sept 15 to Dec 1 or until harvest is met

Glenn gave updates of the latest Commission Meeting and the petition that was presented to the Commission and their discussions.

After board discussions the Board agrees with the seasons recommended by the Department

6. **Commission Regulation 18-03, 2018-2019 Mountain Lion Season and Harvest Limits-** The Board will make recommendations to the Commission as they will consider adopting 2018-2019 mountain lion hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours, and special regulations.

Mountain lion season for 201, 202, 203, 204, 206 total amount harvested is 245 state wide either sex.

Glenn gave an update of discussion of the recent Commission meetings. The anti's wanted no lion hunting after dark. But it was pointed out they are nocturnal and that suggestion was not approved by the Commission.

Discussion of the hunting times and areas

The Board agrees with Dept Recommendation

7. **Commission Regulation 17-05, Amendment 2, 2017-2018 and 2018-2019 Big Game Seasons –**The Board will make recommendation to the Commission as they will consider amendments to the 2018-2019 hunting seasons and dates for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat, including limits, hunting hours, special hunt eligibility, animal sex, physical characteristics and legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and legal weapon requirements, and emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quotas.

*Resident Antelope – Horns longer than ears - Any Legal Weapon 2151
Area 202, 204 Oct 15 thru Oct 30
Area 205-208 Aug 22 to Sep 7*

The Board agrees with Dept Recommendations

*Nonresident Antelope- Horns longer than ears – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 2251
Area 202, 204 Oct 15 thru Oct 30
Area 205-208 Aug 22 to Sep 7*

The Board agrees With Dept Recommendations

*Resident Antelope – Horns longer than ears Muzzeloder Hunt 2171
No Recommendation*

*Resident Antelope – Horns Longer than ears Archery Hunt 2161
Area 202 204 205-208*

The Board agree with Dept Recommendation

*Nonresident Antelope – Horns longer than ears Archery Hunt 2261
Area 202 204 205-208 Agree with Dept Recommendation*

*Resident Antelope – Horns shorter than ears Any Legal Weapon Hunt 2181
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlered Any Legal Weapon Depredation Hunt 4102
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4151
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Elk – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4251
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlered Muzzleloader Hunt 4156
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Elk – Antlered Muzzleloader Hunt 4256
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlered Archery Hunt 4161
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Elk – Antlered – Archery Hunt 4261
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Spike – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4651
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4181
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlerless – Wilderness Only – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4181
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Elk – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4281
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlerless – Muzzleloader Hunt 4176
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Elk – Antlerless – Muzzleloader Hunt 4276
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlerless – Archery Hunt 4111
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Elk – Antlerless – Archery Hunt 4211
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Depredation Hunt 4107
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4481
Option for Mule Deer Hunt 1331
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Any Legal Weapon Hunt 4481
Option for Mule Deer Hunt 1331
No Recommendation*

*Resident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Muzzleloader Hunt 4476
Option for Mule Deer Hunt 1371*

No Recommendation

*Resident Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Archery 4411
Option for Mule Deer Hunt 1341
No Recommendation*

*Resident Junior Elk – Antlerless Elk Management Hunt 4407
Option for Resident Junior Mule Deer Hunt 1107
No Recommendation*

*Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3151
Area 202, 205, 206, 208, 207*

Glenn received a recommendation from Wildlife Biologist Jason Salisburys that he would like to see Oct15 to Nov 5 in 207 only.

Discussion of the proposed recommendation as Jason had suggested. Review of the map.

Discussion of the new mine in the solar plant area.

Glenn would like to propose the change the boundary of 202 from the highway to the edge of Walker Lake for the area from the community of the Town of Walker Lake to Sand point. Let them hunt either side of the highway. The reason for this is the highway is the boundary. If the sheep are down at the water, you can't shoot them. It's in area 205, but the lake separates it from the rest of the 205 area. It's not contiguous to the rest of the 205 area. You can't shoot across the highway, but you can shoot parallel the highway.

Further discussion of sheep crossing the highway and the advantage to making it all one area.

The Board concurs with Glenn idea that this would be just for the short distance. Glenn stated that he would get the mile markers to pinpoint the area suggested and this is just for sheep and not for any other hunt type.

Billie moved, Johnny seconded, motion carried to make the request to the Commission to move the 202 boundary from the highway to the waters edge from the boundary of the Town of Walker Lake to an area in the vicinity of Sand Point on Walker Lake.

The Board further agrees with the proposed guzzler project above the highway to encourage the sheep to not cross the highway and we still need to push that idea.

*Nonresident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3251
Area 205, 207 only*

Agree with Dept Recommendation

*Resident Nelson (Desert) Big Horn Sheep - Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3181
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep - Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 3281
No Recommendation*

*Resident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 8151
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 8251
No Recommendation*

*Resident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 8181
No Recommendation*

*Resident Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 9151
No Recommendation*

*Resident Mountain Goat – Any Goat – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 7151
No Recommendation*

*Nonresident Mountain Goat – Any Goat – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 7251
No Recommendation*

*Resident Junior Mule Deer – Antlered – or – Antlerless – Archery, Muzzleloader,
or any Legal Weapon Hunt 1107*

Dept recommends:

Area 202, 205-208

Archery – Nov 5 – Nov 30

Muzzleloader – Dec 1 – Dec 15

Any Legal Weapon Dec 16 – Jan 1

Glenn stated that he told Jason about it a week earlier and he didn't see a problem. Glenn stated that we had gotten the response form from Suzanne and Marlene noted that it was not a complete list. She sent an e-mail to Suzanne that the form was not complete and was only 3 pages long and missing many pages and is there a more complete form? She gets a message back from Brian Wakeling that they haven't proposed any changes. Marlene responded back to Brian Wakeling that the Youth hunt 1107 has an Archery hunt from Nov 5 to Nov 30 while hunt 1331 is in the field with any legal weapon. Then the youth hunt has Any Legal Weapon from Dec 16 to Jan 1 at the same time as hunt 1341 when the archery hunters are in the same area.

The Board discussed the ramifications of the cross type of the hunts and decide it to not be a good idea.

Marlene stated that it looks like somebody went into the excel form and did a copy and paste on the hunt types all the way down.

The Board Disagrees with the Dept Recommendation and proposes the following:

Area 202, 205, 206, 208

Any Legal Weapon Nov 5 – Nov 30

Muzzleloader – Dec 1 – Dec 15 (No Change)

Archery – Dec 16 – Jan 1

Mirror to 1331 & 1341

The Motion was made by Billie and seconded by Wayne to disagree with the Dept Recommendation and to mirror the 1107 Youth hunt to 1331 and 1341.

Any Legal Weapon to be Nov 5 to Nov 30 and Archery to be Dec 16 to Jan 1. Motion Carried

*Resident Mule Deer – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Hunt 1181
No Recommendation*

*Resident and Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered Any Legal Weapon Hunt 1331
Dept Recommends:
Area 202, 205-208 Nov 5 to Nov 30*

Board agrees with Dept Recommendation

*Resident and Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered Muzzleloader Hunt 1371
Dept Recommends
Area 202, 205-208 Dec 1 – Dec 15*

Board Agrees with Dept Recommendation

*Resident and Nonresident Mule Deer Antlered – Archery Hunt 1341
Dept Recommends:
Area 201, 202, 204-208 Early Aug 10 – Sept 9
Area 202, 205-208 Late Dec 16 – Jan 1*

*The board discussed the early hunt and the success ratio. Not doing well yet.
Board agrees with Dept Recommendation*

8. **Commission Regulation 18-04, 2019 Heritage Tag Seasons and Quotas-** The Board will make recommendation to the Commission as they will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2019 Heritage Tag species, seasons and quotas.

Glenn gave an update on the Heritage process and the programs awarded.
Will be back at the June Meeting

9. **Commission Regulation 18-05, 2018 Partnership in Wildlife Tags** The Board will make recommendations to the Commission as they consider a regulation to set the 2018 Partnership in Wildlife tags hunt species, seasons and quotas.

Glenn Resident Mule Deer is 22 they try to base it off the number of tags that goes out on last years' season quota. They have to comply with the dates of hunt.

10. **Commission Regulation 18-06, 2018 Silver State Tags – Data and Technology Services –** The Board will make recommendation to the Commission as they will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2018 Silver State tag species, seasons and quotas.

Glenn gave some insight to the Silver State Tag. And some history of the income from reducing the amount to \$5.00

11. **Commission Regulation 18-07, 2018 Dream Tag – Data and Technology Services –** The Board will make recommendation to the Commission as they will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2018 Dream Tag Species seasons and Quotas.

Glenn gave an update of the Dream tag and the enhancement. You buy the dream tag

12. **Commission Regulation 18-08, 2018 Big Game Application Deadlines** The Board will make recommendation to the Commission as they will consider adopting regulation to set the 2018 big game tag application deadlines and related information.

Glenn read that the previous web sight of hunt Nevada will no longer be available.
Big Game applications by mail will not be accepted.

The Board is unsatisfied with the decision to remove mail option and making it computer only.
And that is wrong.

Wayne said he would like to ask the guy what kind of security you have on the system.

Glenn stated that the whole time that Systems consultants had it the system that hacked and it was very secure. Not sure what kind of security the new company has but it should be secure.

13. **Commission Regulation 18-09, 2018 Big Game Tag Application Eligibility and Tag Limits –** The Board will make recommendation to the Commission as they will consider adopting regulation to set the 2018 big game tag application eligibility and tag limits and related information.

Glenn gave an update of why this is back out to the board. In the past you put in for the deer tag and then drew the silver state. Now it will all draw at once.

14. **Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments –** The Board will review and make recommendation to the Commission as the Department has added an additional teleconferenced Commission meeting in Reno and Las Vegas on Feb 9, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. to consider taking action for adoption of Commission General Regulation 477 Processing Fees.

Glenn stated they are word shop it this weekend and then it will go to the meeting on Feb 9.
We will see how it falls this weekend to see if he needs to be there on Feb 9.

15. **Discussion of Administrative Assistant Compensation for the 2018-2019 Fiscal Year.**

Discussion of the added work that is coming out of the meetings. Glenn gave an update of what other boards are paying for the administrative help.

It was pointed out we are heading into the budget setting time and we would like the information to be able to complete the budget correctly.

It was moved by Billie and seconded by Johnny to increase the line item for the 2018-2019 fiscal year to \$200 per meeting. Motion carried.

16. **Discussion of other items on the Commission Agenda for January 26-27, 2018.**

No further subjects were discussed.

17. **Public Comment** No action can be taken by MCABMW at this time; any item requiring MCABMW action may be scheduled on a future MCABMW agenda.

No public comment.

No Further business, motion was made by Billie Williams Jr and seconded by Johnny Peterson to adjourn the meeting a: 7:42 pm.