

**THE WHITE PINE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019 AT 6:00 PM AT THE WHITE PINE COUNTY LIBRARY**

Present:

Board Chairman	Mitchell McVicars
Board Vice Chairman	Steve Marquez
	Ramona Maestes
	Shane Boren
Board Secretary	Christina Sawyer

Absent: Ray Sawyer

Visitors:

Kody Menghini, NDOW	Adam Henriod, NDOW
Dana Johnson	Bill Miller

Called to order:

Meeting was called to order by Board Chairman McVicars at 6:01

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment Period: Shane Boren shared a story about a guide who advised his hunter that they could put camera's up tonight to get a better look at what our options are tonight. Share noted this is the mentality of hunting today that makes him sick; is this what hunting has come too? Night vision camera's used by guides? No additional public comment.

***Approval of Agenda:**

Board Chairman McVicars called for a motion to approve Agenda for September 16, 2019 meeting.

*A motion to **approve the agenda for September 16, 2019 meeting** was made by board member **Boren**, seconded by board member **Maestes**, motion passed with no opposition.*

***Approval of minutes:**

Board Chairman McVicars called for a motion to approve the meeting minutes from August 5, 2019

*A motion to **approve minutes from the August 5, 2019 meeting** was made by board member **Maestes**, seconded by board member **Marquez**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

***Payment of Bills:**

Request for reimbursement for secretarial duties to Christina Sawyer for meeting agenda at \$50.00 and Kelly Jackson (sub) for 100.00 for meeting minutes for the August 5, 2019 meeting was presented.

Request for reimbursement for travel to Mitch McVicars for the March 15-16, 2019 state commission meeting in Las Vegas for mileage only in the amount of \$275.40 and for the May 3-4, 2019 state commission meeting in Reno for mileage only in the amount of \$360.72 was presented.

Board Chairman McVicars called for a motion.

*A motion to approve **bills as presented** was made by board member **Marquez** and seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

***Correspondence:**

McVicars received letter regarding nominations for the Wayne e. Kirch award.

McVicars had a verbal conversation regarding a suggestion to put a bounty on the catch of Pike, with Korell, NDOW. Menghini, NDOW said that Korell had mentioned it to his supervisors but wasn't supported. Menghini, indicated that shouldn't stop the board from pursuing the concept.

Several public comments shared with the board regarding the stall on the Comins Lake project. Henriod, NDOW reported they are waiting for federal release on cultural clearance.

Reports:

Report on Comin's Lake – Heath Korell, NDOW – Not available for update

Silver State Trail Status –Bill Miller reported that at the August 14th WP Commission meeting they voted to terminate. Menghini, NDOW added, that isn't necessarily what the BLM will do.

Agenda items:

6. A.* Commission Regulation 18 – 01, Amendment #3, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for the Two-Year Period March 1, 2018 through February 29, 2020 –

Board discussed the changes to the regulation dates.

Board chairman McVicars called for a motion.

*A motion to approve Commission regulation 18-01 as written was made by board member **Boren** seconded by board member **Marquez**. Motion passes with no opposition.*

B.* Commission Regulation 20-01, Fishing Seasons and Regulations for the Two Year Period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021 –

The board discussed fishing seasons, bag and possession limits.

Board chairman McVicars called for a motion

*A motion to approve Commission regulation 20-01 for the two-year period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021 as written was made by board member **Marquez**. Seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed. No opposition.*

7 A.* Commission General Regulation 485, Tag Transfer, Deference and Return Program, LCB File No. R022-19 -

Board discussed the second workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code. Marquez has issues with the timing.

Board Chairman McVicars called for a motion.

Bill Miller commented- Always going to be someone who abuses the system with false claims. Steve wants wording to include a cut off.

The board took no action at this time.

B.* Commission General Regulation 486, Veteran and Active Military Waterfowl Season, LCB File No. R027-19

Board discussed the workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code. Board Chairman differed for public comment. Bill Miller explained his understanding of the regulation. Board member Boren asked Henroid, NDOW to confirm. Boren feels if you're willing to fight for your country you should get to hunt.

Board chairman McVicars called for a motion

*A motion to support Commission General Regulation 486 Veteran and Active Military Waterfowl Season as written was made by board member **Boren**, seconded by **Marquez**. Motion passed no opposition.*

C.* Commission General Regulation 487, Use of Live Bait Fish and Tackle Restrictions, LCB File No. R060-19 -

Board discussed the workshop opportunity to consider and recommend amendments to Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code (NAC).

Board chairman McVicars calls for a motion.

*A motion to accept Commission General Regulation 487, Use of Live Bait Fish and Tackle Restrictions as written was made by **Marquez**. Seconded by **Boren**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

D.* Commission General Regulation 488, Landowner Compensation Tags, LCB File No. XXX –

Board discussed workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code. Bill Miller likes the equation used to calculate.

Board Chairman Mcvicars called for a motion

A motion to accept Commission General Regulation 488, Landowner Compensation Tags was made by board member Boren, seconded by board member Marquez. Motion passed. No opposition.

E.* Commission General Regulation 489, Shed Antler Regulation, LCB File No. XXX –

Board discussed regulation amending Chapter 503 of the Nevada Administrative Code . This regulation would amend the current shed antler regulation to increase penalties, change season dates, and provide for an educational program for shed antler hunters.

Boren noted he originally disagreed with the education component but has since changed his mind after discussing with McVicars who pointed out the opportunity this provides to gather valuable data. Board discussed the demerit penalties, believe these to be discriminatory. Punishing only licensed hunters. Also noted the monetary penalties are not enough to dissuade someone from picking up a shed that once sold could be valued way above what it would cost them in fines. Bill Miller agrees the demerit points are discriminatory. Dana Johnson asked if there is push-back / reluctance to require a license? Boren brought up that there are some legalities regarding the requirement to get a license. Dana Johnson feels it needs to be reevaluated. Bill Miller recalled a conversation where it was reviled there is not enough manpower to support

the additional work load a license would require. Boren is in favor of a permit not a license. Typo noted (April 15 should read April 30) Henriod, NDOW didn't notice an age requirement stipulated in the regulation. Question. If you have younger members (under 12) of the family that find a shed are they required to have a license/ a permit? Bill Miller told the board that these are good points that they need to bring to the attention of the commission. Dan Johnson feels the youth should be targeted for the educational material. Dana also noted the overlap with season dates. How is that justified?

Board Chairman McVicars called for a motion

*A motion that Commission General Regulation 489, Shed Antler Regulation should include the season dates of January 1- April 30, an educational course with a minimum age specified and should be identified as a permit which includes a devise for data collection and eliminates the demerit protocol was made by board member **Marquez**. Seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

14. Petition – Mr. Lance J. Ledet, Sr., Disable Hunts – For Possible Action

Board discussed Mr. Ledet petition to change regulation to allow a disabled hunt. Board Chairman McVicars called for public comments. Bill Miller pointed out that he indicated it as a revenue source, but the tag number is already established, no additional tags will be available therefore it won't bring in additional revenue. Nothing against it, just wanted to point that out. Board member Marquez sees it as another hunt that reduces the number of tags allocated to the general hunter and instead focuses on another special needs group. Feels there are already plenty of accommodations made for disabled hunters. Board member Boren isn't opposed to the hunt because he has seen the impact first hand that these opportunities provide to hunters however, he is concerned with the direction this might go, but the concept is good. Board member Maestes like the concept as well but is worried about where this can go. Menghini, NDOW noted this will only cause less opportunity to hunters because of the limited tags available. Feels there are already concessions in place for special needs.

Board chairman McVicars called for a motion

Board continued to discuss. Back out to public comment. Henriod, NDOW reminded the board that disabled hunters have several opportunities to hunt. Meghini offered the suggestion of a season start date change for the disabled hunter, instead of tag allocation.

Board chairman McVicars called for a motion.

*A motion to oppose the petition from Lance J. Ledet as written was made by board member **Maestes**, seconded by **Marquez**. Board member Boren opposed motion. Board Chairman McVicars supported. Motion passed.*

Next Meeting date:

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will be in Las Vegas, Nevada on September 20-21, 2019

Board Chairman McVicars called for a motion

*A motion to approve travel for Steve Marquez to travel to Las Vegas for the commission meeting on September 20-21 was made by Board member **Maestes**, seconded by Board member **Boren**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board meeting will be Monday October 28, 2019, at the White Pine County Library at 6pm.

Board chairman McVicars called for a motion.

*A motion to accept the next meeting date of Monday, October 28, 2019 at 6pm at the WPC Library was made by board member **Marquez** and seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed with no objections.*

Public Comment Period: No public comment

Board Chairman McVicars entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

*A motion to adjourn the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory meeting on September 16,2019 was made by board member **Maestes** seconded by board member **Boren**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 pm.