

THE WHITE PINE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON  
JANUARY 26, 2016 AT 6:00 PM IN THE MT. WHEELER POWER CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY NEVADA

**Present:**

Board Chairman Ray Sawyer  
Board Vice-Chairman Thomas Brunson

Board members Justin Rozich  
Bradley Block  
Brian Bennett

Board Secretary Christina Sawyer

**Absent:**

**Visitors:**

Kody Menghini, NDOW  
Wade Robison  
Scott Giles, NDOW

**Called to order:**

Meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Sawyer at 6:05pm

Pledge of Allegiance

**Public Comment Period:**

no public comment

**Approval of Agenda:**

A motion to approve the January 26, 2016 agenda as written was made by board member **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition.

**Approval of minutes:**

Approval of the September 22, 2015 minutes were reviewed.

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 22, 2015 meetings was made by board member **Rozich** and seconded by board member **Bennett**. Motion passed with no opposition.

**Payment of Bills:**

Request for payment was presented by board secretary Sawyer for secretarial services for the September 22, 2015 meeting agenda and minutes for \$150.00.

Request for payment was presented by board secretary Sawyer for secretarial services for the November 10, 2015 meeting agenda for \$50.00.

A motion to approve **bills as submitted** was made by board member **Bennett** and seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passes with no opposition

**Correspondences:**

A copy of an E-mail from Jeremy Drew to CAB members was copied and provided to board members, read into record by board secretary Sawyer.

A copy of an e-mail from Rex Flowers, Washoe County resident was copied and provided to board members, read into record by board secretary Sawyer

Board member Rozich suggested the board begin conversations regarding the youth hunts prior to May.

**Reports:**

None

**Agenda items:**

**Commission Regulations – For Possible Action/Adoption**

**6\* Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Predation Management Plan – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**

Board discussed as follows:

Board questioned the cost of management for the ravens. NDOW reps reminded board that depredation must be managed due to the fact that they are protected species.

Project 22.16 with the cost of 160K. Board is concerned that the expenses excessive while the project didn't appear to effective. The board would like to encourage the commission to re-evaluate this expense.

*A motion to approve the **Draft Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Predation Management Plan with a note regarding concerns on project 22.16,** was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

**8\* Commission General Regulation 458, Electronic Rifle Triggers, Caliber and Cartridge Length, and Smokeless Powder Restrictions, LCB File No. R144-15**

Board discussed as follows:

Rozich, inquired about the unmanned (drone) verbiage for the amendment. Discussed powder limitations for muzzle-loader. Scott Giles, NDOW would like to see better clearer guidelines for the measurement of the barrel.

**18. Commission Regulation 15 – 09 – Amendment #2 – Big Game Seasons – Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action**

Board discussed as follows:

The board would like to take this opportunity to recommend closing 113 hunt as well as the 111 hunt. Concerns in these areas remain on the board's radar. All agreed a preemptive approach is needed to allow time for support to be gathered. Kody Menghini, NDOW reminded the board that depredation hunts exist to solve a problem. In March during the harvest guidelines, might be a good opportunity to address these concerns. Board has concerns regarding the abuse of bonus points. Suggestion included a petition and addressing the Tag Allocation Committee.

Sheep transplants. Menghini, NDOW said that they had recommended opening last year, but agreements with private landowners were not in place. Those agreements are now in place. Trail cams have been used in the Krch area. Additional documentation is being looked at. Rozich recalled new evidence that transplanting diseased species among other species may actually strengthen the breed.

Board discussed non-resident Ewe tags

A motion to approve **Commission Regulation 15 – 09 – Amendment #2 – Big Game Seasons as written** was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Bennett**. Motion was opposed by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with majority.

**19\* Commission Regulation 16 – 09, Big Game Mountain Lion Harvest Limits for 2016 – 2017 – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**  
Board discussed

A motion to approve **Commission Regulation 16 – 09, Big Game Mountain Lion Harvest Limits for 2016 – 2017** was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition

**20\* Commission Regulation 16 – 10, 2016 Black Bear Seasons – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Jackson – For Possible Action**  
Board discussed

A motion to approve **Commission Regulation 16 – 10, 2016 Black Bear Seasons** was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition

**21\* Commission Regulation, 16 – 03, 2017 Heritage Tag Seasons and Quotas – Management Analyst 3 Maureen Hullinger – For Possible Action**  
Board discussed

A motion to approve **Commission Regulation, 16 – 03, 2017 Heritage Tag Seasons and Quotas** was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition

**22\* Commission Regulation, 16 – 04, Dream Tag 2016 Seasons – Management Analyst 3 Maureen Hullinger – For Possible Action**  
Board discussed

A motion to approve **Commission Regulation, 16 – 04, Dream Tag 2016 Seasons** was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition

**23\* Commission Regulation, 16 – 05, Partnership in Wildlife (PIW) 2016 Season and Quotas – Management Analyst 3 Maureen Hullinger – For Possible Action**  
Board discussed

A motion to approve **Commission Regulation, 16 – 05, Partnership in Wildlife (PIW) 2016 Season and Quotas** was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Bennett**. Motion passed with no opposition

**24\* Commission Regulation, 16 – 06, Silver State Tag 2016 Season and Quotas – Management Analyst 3 Maureen Hullinger – For Possible Action**

Board discussed

*A motion to approve Commission Regulation, 16 – 06, Silver State Tag 2016 Season and Quotas was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition*

**25\* Commission Regulation 16 – 07, 2016 Big Game Application Deadline Information – Management Analyst 3 Maureen Hullinger – For Possible Action**

Board discussed

*A motion to approve Commission Regulation 16 – 07, 2016 Big Game Application Deadline Information was made by board member **Bennett** and seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition*

**26\* Commission Regulation 16 – 08, 2016 Big Game Tag Application Eligibility – Management Analyst 3 Maureen Hullinger – For Possible Action**

Board discussed

*A motion to approve Commission Regulation 16 – 08, 2016 Big Game Tag Application Eligibility was made by board member **Bennett** and seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition*

**27\* Commission General Regulation 456, Special Incentive Elk Arbitration Panel, LCB File No. R031-15 – Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action**

Board discussed

*A motion to approve Commission General Regulation 456, Special Incentive Elk Arbitration Panel, LCB file No R031-15 was made by board vice-chairman **Brunson** and seconded by board member **Bennett**. Motion passed with no opposition*

**28\* Potential Congressional Land Transfer to the Moapa Band of Paiutes in Southern Nevada – Habitat Division Administrator Alan Jenne – For Possible Action**

Board discussed as follows: concerns regarding limiting access to hunters to two desert sheep hunting units. Board is opposed in general based on the lack of available information.

A motion was not made by board.

The board accepted the letter of resignation from board vice chairman Thomas Brunson. Board Chairman Sawyer thanked Mr. Brunson for his years of dedication to the board.

**Next meeting date(s)**

**Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (Las Vegas, January 29-30, 2016):**

*A motion to approve travel and lodging for board member Sawyer to attend the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting in Las Vegas on January 29-30, 2016 was made by board member **Bennett** and seconded by **Block**. Motion passes with no opposition.*

**White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board (Ely, March 22, 2016 at 6pm)**

A motion to approve the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board meeting in Ely on March 22, 2016 was made by board member **Block** and seconded by **Bennett**. Motion passes with no opposition.

**Public Comment Period: none**

A motion to adjourn the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory meeting held on January 26, 2016 at 7:58 was made by board member **Block** and seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition.