

**THE WHITE PINE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON
November 15, 2016 AT 5:00 PM IN THE MT. WHEELER POWER CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY NEVADA**

Present:

Board Chairman Ray Sawyer
Board Vice Chairman Justin Rozich
Board Mitchel McVicars
 Steve Marquez
 Brad Block

Board Secretary Christina Sawyer

Absent:

Visitors:

Kody Menghini, NDOW
Jon AlMBERG, Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioner
Scott Roberts, NDOW
Heath Korell, NDOW
Scott Giles, NDOW
Tyrel Brown, NDOW
Sonja AlMBERG

Called to order:

Meeting was called to order by Board Chairman Sawyer at 5:06pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment Period: None

Approval of Agenda:

*A motion to approve the agenda **November 15, 2016** was made by board member **Rozich** and seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

Approval of minutes:

*A motion to approve the **September 20, 2016 meeting minutes** was made by board member **McVicars** and seconded by board member **Marquez**. Motion passed with no opposition.*

Payment of Bills:

Request for payment was presented by board secretary Christina Sawyer for meeting agenda and minutes for September 20, 2016 meeting of \$150.00

A motion to **approve bill as presented** was made by board member **Block** second from board member **Rozich**.

Motion passed with no opposition.

Correspondence:

An e-mail from Terri Hall, WPC Payroll Specialist regarding travel vouchers was read into record.

Board member Block relayed conversation from previous commission meeting that all remaining funds will be denied/removed from account if not used.

Board Chairman Sawyer recognized and welcomed Commissioner Jon Almborg to the meeting. Congratulated him on behalf of the board for his appointment to the Nevada Board of Wildlife.

Reports:

None presented

Agenda items:

1. Items listed on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners agenda

7* Commission Regulation 17-01, Taking of Raptors for Falconry for 2017- 2018 – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action

Board had no additional comments

A motion to approve Commission Regulation 17-01, as written was made by board member **Marquez** seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition.

8* Commission Regulation 17-02 Noncommercial Collection of Reptiles and Amphibians for 2017 - 2018 – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action

Board had no additional questions

A motion to approve Commission Regulation 17-02 as written was made by board member **McVicars** seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition.

10.B* Partnership in Wildlife (PIW) Drawing and Restricted Nonresident Guided Deer Draw Applicant Eligibility – Operations Division Administrator Bob Haughian– For Possible Action

Board discussed as follows: Sawyer is totally against it. Believes applicant should have to apply like everyone else. Board is in agreement with Sawyer. Rozich identified the two sections. Sawyer preferred the first method and noted If you're in a waiting period, you should not be eligible. Board completed action report recommending method 1 with no comment on question 1 and NO on question 2.

A motion recommending method 1, No change to method of application but move the PIW drawing programmatically with no recommendation for question #1 and No to question 2, reinstate NRGH eligibility for the drawing was made by board member **Rozich**, seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition.

11* Nevada Department of Wildlife License Simplification Strategy Update – Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action

Board discussed as follows: board noted minimal cost in the changes. Commissioner AlMBERG noted it was intended to simplify the process not increase or decrease revenue.

A motion to approve Nevada Department of Wildlife License Simplification Strategy as written was made by board member **McVicars** seconded by board member **Marquez**. Motion passed with no opposition.

12* Nevada Department of Wildlife Update of Guidelines for Harvest Management in Nevada – Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action

Board discussed in depth; agreed to support with minimal change recommendations.

A motion to approve Guidelines for Harvest Management as written with the following edits, remove **late season Antelope horns longer than ears** and regarding Big Horn Sheep remove **minimum of** regarding the 8%, was made by board member **Rozich**, seconded by board member **McVicars**. Motion passed with no opposition.

13* Second Reading, Policy 2, Publications – Commissioner and APRPC Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action

Board discussed

A motion to approve Policy 2, Publications, as written was made by board member Rozich, seconded by board member Marquez. Motion passed with no opposition.

14* Second Reading, Policy 31, Lahontan Cutthroat Trout Management Guidelines – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Sollberger – For Possible Action

Board discussed as follows: Heath Korell, NDOW confirmed, just policy revision and feels it is necessary to have an updated document on file.

A motion to approve as written was made by board member **Marques**, seconded by board member **Block**. Motion passed with no opposition.

15* Second Reading, Policy 33, Fisheries Management Program – Wildlife Staff Specialist Pat Sollberger – For Possible Action

Board discussed

A motion to approve Policy 33, Fisheries Management Program as written was made by board member **McVicars**, seconded by board member **Rozich**. Motion passed with no opposition.

21* B. Fallon Naval Air Station and Nellis Air Force Base Public Land Withdrawals – Chairman Grant Wallace – For Possible Action

Board discussed as follows: Rozich is not in favor in giving any additional land. Discussed map and amount of land.

A motion to reject Fallon Naval Air Station and Nellis Air Force Base Public Land Withdrawals proposal as written was made by board member Rozich, seconded by board member Marquez. Motion passed with no opposition.

22* A & B. **Proposed Washoe County Federal Lands Bill – Chairman Wallace – For Possible Action**

Board discussed as follows: Rozich noted that this includes newly designated wilderness areas. Sawyer supports wilderness area but is concerned because there is not enough enforcement. Has seen multiple violations.

A motion to approve Proposed Washoe County Federal Lands Bill as written was made by board member Block, seconded by board member Rozich. Motion passed with no opposition.

25* **Development of a Commission Policy Regarding Wildlife Contests – For Possible Action – Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed**

Board discussed as follows. In favor of contest but would like, but noted concerns with some of the photographs that are being published.

A motion to approve Development of a Commission Policy Regarding Wildlife as written was made by board member McVicars, seconded by board member Rozich. Motion passed with no opposition.

26* A* **Commission General Regulation 463, Duties of Person Transporting Vessel or Conveyance, LCB File No. R093-16 – Wildlife Staff Specialist Karen Vargas – For Possible Action**

Board discussed as follows: Health, NDOW encourages board to support.

A motion to approve Commission General Regulation 463 as written was made by board member Block, seconded by board member McVicars. Motion passed with no opposition.

B* **Commission General Regulation 471, Truckee River Motorized Vessel Closure, LCB File No. R139-16 – Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed – For Possible Action**

Board discussed.

A motion to approve Commission General Regulation 471 as written was made by board member Block, seconded by board member Marquez. Motion passed with no opposition.

C* **Commission General Regulation 464, Appeals, LCB File No. R074-16 – APRPC Chairman and Commissioner David McNinch – For Possible Action**

Board discussed as follows:

A motion to approve Commission General Regulation 464, as written was made by board member Block seconded by board member McVicars. Motion passed with no opposition.

D* Commission General Regulation 465, Antelope and Elk Waiting Periods, LCB File R141-16 – Management Analyst 3 Maureen Hullinger – For Possible Action

Board discussed as follows: Sawyer believes if the intent of the waiting period is to kill more Elk then the waiting period should be longer not shorter. A shorter waiting period will do more to increase revenue rather than encourage more kills. NDOW members present concurred that this decision was hunter driven not revenue driven. Hunters want back in. McVicars added that those with 20+ bonus point that are unsuccessful is because they are only putting in for one or two area's and that's why they are unsuccessful year after year. Commissioner Almberg indicated an Elk management cap is looming. Supply is decreasing, therefore the quota will decrease. Several board members agree, whether hunter kills or not the waiting period should be 10 years for Elk and 5 years for Antelope.

A motion on Commission General Regulation 465, Antelope and Elk Waiting Periods to be a 10 year waiting period for Elk and a 5 year waiting period for Antelope was made by board member **Marques**, seconded by board member **Block**. Board member **Rozich** opposed. Motion passed

Next meeting date(s)

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (November 18-19) in Reno, Nevada

A motion to approve board member McVicars travel to Reno, Nevada to attend the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting scheduled for November 18-19 was made by board member **Marquez**, seconded by board member **Block**.

Motion passed with no opposition.

White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board (Ely, Nevada on February 7, 2017 at 5pm)

Board discussed as follows:

A motion to approve the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board meeting in Ely 5pm on February 7, 2017 was made by board member **McVicars** and seconded by **Rozich**. Motion passes with no opposition.

Public Comment Period: None

A motion to adjourn **the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory meeting at 6:47pm held on November 15, 2016** was made by board member **Rozich** and seconded by board member **McVicars**. Motion passed with no opposition.

Meeting adjourned.