

THE WHITE PINE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON
October 30, 2017 AT 6:00 PM IN THE MT. WHEELER POWER CONFERENCE ROOM IN ELY NEVADA

Present:

Board Vice Chairman Mitchell McVicars
Shane Boren
Steve Marquez
Ramona Maestes

Board Secretary Christina Sawyer

Absent:

Board Chairman Ray Sawyer

Visitors:

Jon Almberg, Nevada Wildlife Commissioner
Cody Maghini, NDOW
Scott Giles, NDOW
Tyrell Brown, NDOW

Called to order:

Meeting was called to order by Board vice-Chairman McVicars at 6:13 pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment Period:

No public comment

Approval of Agenda:

*A motion to approve the agenda for October 30, 2017 was made by board member **Boren** and seconded by board member **Maestes** Motion passed with no opposition.*

Approval of minutes:

A motion to approve *the September 19, 2017 meeting minutes* was made by board member Maestes seconded by board member Boren. 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 19, 2017 meeting for \$150.00

Request for reimbursement for Travel to Wildlife Commission Meeting in Las Vegas, NV by Steve Marques \$495.40

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

Correspondence:

E-Mail to Ray from Ben Botkin, review journal was read for the record.

Reports:

none

Agenda items:

#1 Shed Season restrictions / regulations (for possible action)

A board appointed committee consisting of Boren and Maestes met with Lincoln county committee members on 10-19-17. They worked together to develop the shed season restriction/regulation terms as submitted to the commission

Boren read the committee's proposal for the record.

A motion to approve the committee proposal regarding shed antlers for presentation to the commission. was made by board member Marquez and seconded by board member Maestes. Motion passed with no objections

#2 Trail Camera restrictions/ regulations (for possible action)

The board appointed committee consisting of Boren and Maestes met with Lincoln county committee members on 10-19-17. A proposal to limit cameras to not closer than 200ft. of water and no cameras after April 15 through December 31 was read for the record and submitted to the commission for review.

A motion to support the committee's agreement of no cameras within 200 ft. of water and no cameras between April 15 through December 31 was made by board member Marquez and seconded by board member Maestes. Motion passed with no objections.

Commission agenda items:

6* Commission General Regulation 475, Shed Antlers – Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed :

Board member Marquez asked if the committee discussed an emergency contingency plan. Giles, NDOW believes an emergency plan is always an option regardless. AlMBERG, concurs. Menghini, NDOW brought up the sage grouse; nesting occurs during April and opening the season could do harm. Suggested to move it back to May.

Boren was apprehensive to change the season date recommendation since multi county's had agreed to support as proposed. AlMBERG noted that if we moved it back we might conflict with other states and on increase the demand within our state. AlMBERG, noted that Clark county got hung up on the commercialization of sheds. Boren reminded board that it's not about the money, it's about the protection of the animals. The committee didn't want to open up the discussion of private property. Boren read the committee's proposal for the record.

7* Commission General Regulation 440, Trail Cameras and Other Devices, LCB File No. R012-16 – Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed – Workshop/Public Comment Allowed

Board discussed as follows:

200ft min. distance from water no trail camera's August 15 through December 31. The committee read the regulation highlights into record. Almborg questioned the thought process of eliminating subsection A; Boren; felt the way it was written was too broad and left too many holes. Almborg said that by eliminating subsection A you might have more problems, more cameras on 10 trails rather than one water hole. Giles, NDOW noted both have a lot of holes. Boren believes the committee's suggestions is cleaner. The committee's intention was to be consistent with camping regulations. It was confirmed that the camping regulation is 300 ft from water. Boren requested an amendment to the previous motion of 200 ft. He noted the committee would agree with the camera placement at 300 ft.

committee made recommendations to subsection b- NDOW noted that there are justifiable reasons they use cameras for reporting.

NBU was concerned; feels regulations will prevent them from their surveys. Board noted that if they work with NDOW or other government agency's they will be permitted under the regulations.

A motion to amend the motion under agenda item #2 Trail Camera proposal from 200 ft. to 300ft from a water source. was made by board member Marquez and seconded by board member Maestes. Motion passed with no objections

- 8* Commission Policy 27, Protection of Nevada Wildlife Resources – Second Reading – Commissioner and Administrative Procedures, Regulations and Policy (APRP) Committee Chairman David McNinch and Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action

Board had no comment

- 9* Commission Policy 65, Designation of Wildlife Management Areas – Second Reading – Commissioner and APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch and Habitat Division Administrator Alan Jenne – For Possible Action

Board has no comment

- 10* Commission Policy 26, Re-establishing, Introducing, Transplanting and Managing Pioneering Rocky Mountain Elk – First Reading – Commissioner and APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch and Game Division Administrator Brian F. Wakeling – For Possible Action

Board noted that a lot has been taken out. Cory noted that much of it was just to clean it up; simplify.

A motion to support Commission Policy 26, Re-establishing, Introducing, Transplanting and Managing Pioneering Rocky Mountain Elk was made by board member Boren and seconded by board member Marquez Motion passed with no objections.

- 11* Review of Commission Policy 3, Appeals – First Reading – Commissioner and APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action

Board discussed

A motion to support changes to Commission Policy 3, Appeals was made by board member Marquez and seconded by board member Boren Motion passed with no objections

22* Commission Regulation 17-02 Noncommercial Collection of Reptiles and Amphibians for 2017-2018, Amendment #1 – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action

Board has no comment

Next meeting date(s)

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners Carson City, Nevada, 2017 on November 3-4, 2017

A motion to accept travel to Carson City, Nevada to the Commission meeting on November 3-4, 2017 for two board member was made by Maestes , seconded by Marquez. Motion passes with no opposition.

White Pine County Wildlife Advisory Board (Ely, Nevada on Tuesday January 23, 2018 at 6pm)

A motion to accept the next meeting date of Tuesday January 23, 2018 at 6pm was made by board member Boren and seconded by board member Maestes. Motion passed with no objections.

Public Comment Period:

No comment

A motion to adjourn the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory meeting at 7:44 pm held on October 30, 2017 was made by board member **Boren**, seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed with no opposition.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47