

**THE WHITE PINE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON  
MARCH 11, 2019 AT 6:00 PM AT THE WHITE PINE COUNTY LIBRARY**

**Present:**

Board Chairman Ray Sawyer  
Board Vice Chairman Mitchell McVicars  
Steve Marquez  
Romona Maestes

Board Secretary Christina Sawyer

**Absent:**

Shane Boren

**Visitors:**

*Jon Almborg, Nevada Wildlife Commissioner*  
*Adam Henroid, NDOW*  
Bill Miller  
Heath Korell, NDOW  
Tyler Nall, NDOW

**Called to order:**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

**Public Comment Period:**

Bill Miller brought the boards attention to a bill the senate passed. Bill 47 regarding conservation and management. Bill review the bill highlighting areas of interest to the board. He also notified the board that there will be some town hall meetings regarding resource management, coming up in May. Encouraged the board to attend and comment.

**Approval of Agenda:**

Board Chairman Sawyer called for a motion.

A motion to **approve the agenda for March 11, 2019 meeting** was made by board member **Mastes** and seconded by board member **McVicars**. Motion passed with no opposition.

**Approval of minutes:**

Board Chairman Sawyer called for a motion.

A motion to approve minutes from the January 22, 2019 meeting with the correction of the date error for the next meeting date from 2018 to 2019 was made by board member **McVicars** and seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed with no opposition.

### **Payment of Bills:**

Request for reimbursement for Travel to Steve Marquez for the Wildlife Commission Meeting in Reno Nevada on January 23-26 for a total of \$830.00 was presented.

Request for reimbursement for secretarial duties to Christina Sawyer for meeting agenda and minutes for the January 22, 2019 meeting for \$150.00 was presented.

Board Chairman Sawyer called for a motion.

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

### **Correspondence:**

Board secretary Sawyer read email from Jim Evans, Eureka CAB that was sent to board chairman Sawyer requesting support for item

### **Reports:**

Korell, NDOW reported on the status of the Comins Lake project. He confirmed that due to the Federal Gov. shut down the Comins Lake project has been delayed. An award letter was presented to the board. Jack Robb meet with Shoshone Tribe regarding concerns they had about the project. He wasn't sure how that meeting went. The funds have been approved and allocated. He is presumed the project will go to bid by April. Anticipation everything will be completed by late fall.

Jon provided an update regarding the Youth Mentorship program – Headed to legislature now and will be presented to the board.

### **Agenda items:**

1. The Nevada Chapter of Backcountry Hunters & Anglers-BLM EA Silver State Trail (SST)

Board Chairman Sawyer asked for public comment:

Bill Miller brought maps, green indicating new option. Option A stays the same, B- now eliminates Gleason, no longer Option C. Preliminary review on or about April 5. you can download maps. ROD signed by the Aug 10. PLUACC reviewed and has encouraged the commission to uphold county policy 7.1 17.2 needs to come before the Silver State Trail. Mindy Seal is no longer the field manager. Moriah, Board review the NDOW proposal and final recommendation letter.

**2. Commission agenda items:** Items listed on the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners agenda (attached) will be open for discussion and possible approval. Agenda and support material available on line at [www.ndow.gov](http://www.ndow.gov)

## 6 Committee Reports

### A\* **Legislative Committee Report**

Board discussed: Sawyer noted the stipulation regarding a license to sell antlers. Commissioner AlMBERG corrected him, noting that it will be requiring a dealer's license to sell dead head or antlers with skull attached not shed's. Questions came up regarding selling mounted animals passed down from family. AlMBERG noted he had several questions but no answers yet. Hoping the committee will have answers during Friday's meeting.

### B\* **Wildlife Damage Management Committee Report and Fiscal Year 2019 Draft Predation Management Plan**

Board discussed: asked Commissioner AlMBERG if there were any major changes to the depredation? He noted the Park committee wanted to discontinue project 64 (Lions) because the money wasn't being spent. The commission agreed if the money isn't spent it will roll over.

### 15 A: **Commission General Regulation 482, Public and Sellable Lists, LCB File No. R192-18**

Board discussed: Commissioner AlMBERG noted the two questions that will be added. Board agreed it should be your personal choice. AlMBERG brought up Board Chairman Sawyer's previous comments regarding the Sheriff's office using information to help if a search and rescue effort is needed. Sawyer retold the situation when a lost hunter is missing, and family isn't clear on their location how having access to the list is a valuable tool in looking for lost hunters.

Sawyer likes the wording, AlMBERG, noted that change is needed due to using the list as a marketing tool. Under this you have an option to limited information or full information. One allows the public to know the name and unit of hunt awarded. The second allows guide services to have your contact information including mailing address for marketing purposes. The was generated due to online harassment of hunters. Sawyer is in full support of the new language. Ramona agrees as long as they have the choice.

Board Chairman Sawyer entertained a motion

A motion to support Commission general Regulation 482, Public and Sellable Lists, LCB File no. R192-18 **as written** was made by board member **Marquez** and seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed with no opposition.

### 16 A **Commission Regulation 19-13, Migratory Game Bird Seasons, Bag Limits, and Special Regulations for Waterfowl and Webless Migratory Game Birds; Public Hunting Limited on Wildlife Management Areas and Designated State Lands – 2019–2020 Season**

Board Discussed as follows: Sawyer reminded the board that the Eureka CAB had requested support with their recommendations. Marquez confirmed that now is the time. Sawyer agreed with the boundaries but differed the date discussion to Marquez for his expertise.

Henroid, NDOW noted that there used to be a break but due to the day limitations the break is required to accommodate the start and end dates requested. (105 days) The catch with the later start and later end you can catch the migration. Elko, Eureka might be frozen by this time. Select number of hunters do travel to several areas and the later dates may increase hunter traffic to the area. AlMBERG asked Henroid if there were any advantages or disadvantages to the later dates. Henroid noted that it would depend on the freeze and whether or not he could manipulate water to accommodate. Jon asked if there were any numbers regarding the history of the # of birds. Hunter success definitely drops in the later months. Marquez noted that

circumstances can determine how early they leave. Henriod noted based on his experience would like the date to be the same as Kirch. Board supported Eureka's request to be moved to the Northeast Zone but was unclear how the dates would look.

Public Comment: None

Board Chairman entertained a motion

A motion to support Commission Regulation 19.-13 with the changes to move Eureka to the Northeast Zone was made by board member **McVicars** and seconded by board member **Marquez**. Motion passed with no opposition.

**Next meeting date(s)**

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will be in Las Vegas, Nevada on March 15-16, 2019

Board Chairman Sawyer entertained a motion.

A motion to **accept travel for Mitch McVicars to the Commission meeting on March 15-16, 2019 to Las Vegas, Nevada** was made by board member **Maestes** seconded by board member **Marquez** Motion passes with no opposition.

Jon asked if any of the board is interested in attending the Legislation meet and greet? On March 19, 2019 in Carson 11:45-1:45 Lunch is included will need head count. Steve confirmed he will attend.

A motion to **accept travel for Steve Marquez to attend the legislation meet & greet in Carson City, Nevada to** was made by board member **Maestes** seconded by board member **Marquez** Motion passes with no opposition.

**Next Meeting date:**

Board discussed

A motion to **accept the next meeting date of Monday, April 29, 2019 at 6pm** at the WPC Library was made by board member **Maestes** and seconded by board member **McVicars** Motion passed with no objections.

**Public Comment Period:**

Bill reminded the board that the Environmental Assessment will be coming out on the 5<sup>th</sup>, please included it's review on the next meeting agenda. McVicars asked Henroid if more water would be stored with the anticipated run off. Henroid noted that there were some concerns with doing that. It is a food source and planting food requires a dry bed. Excavator has been damaged and will need repairs.

Water is above average for this time of year. Flows at sunnyside and here are record low but the snow pack is high so they anticipate recovery. Bill noted that the state as a whole is at 135%

Board Chairman Sawyer entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A motion **to adjourn the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory meeting held on March 11, 2019 at 7:26pm** was made by board member **McVicars** seconded by board member **Maestes**. Motion passed with no opposition.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:26

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