

Minutes of the Mineral County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife Meeting-Draft Minutes

Date & Time: Monday June 22, 2020 at 6:00 PM

Location : EOC Building 205 South 'A' St, Hawthorne, Nv - Training Room

Present: Glenn Bunch, Chairman,
Members Present: Billie Williams Jr., Wayne Larson, Johnny Peterson
Marlene Bunch – Adm Assist.

Absent: Darren Hamrey

Public Present: None

The meeting was brought to order by Glenn Bunch, Chairman at 6:00 PM

- 1* **Fiscal Year 2021 Heritage Project Proposals.** The Board will review the recommendations to the Commission from the Committee relative to approving up to \$1,28,276. for projects submitted for FY 2021 funding from the Wildlife Heritage account. (Public Comment)

Glenn reviewed the recommendations of the Heritage Committee He further advised the board that some late applications was received for consideration. He gave an update of what had transpired in the last heritage meeting and the projects that was approved.

Glenn further informed the Board of the application of Dissemination of Results from Delineation of Lambing Habitat, Population Demographics, Resource Selection, and Movement Patterns of Desert Bighorn Sheep had been received late and it is before the Commission for approval. Glenn informed that Board and the \$46,000 is above the approved funding amount. He explained that during the last legislature it was approved that the Commission could fund projects out of the main pot of money if the approved.

After discussion the Board felt this was a good project:

It was moved by Wayne Larson, seconded by Johnny Peterson that the Mineral CAB urges the approval of the Commission to approve the Dissemination of Results from Delineation of Lambing Habitat, Population Demographics, Resource Selection, and Movement Patterns of Desert Bighorn Sheep from Heritage Funded if possible. Motion Carried.

2. **Duck stamp Request** – The Board will review the recommendation to the Commission as the will review and may take action to approve up to \$50,100 for projects submitted for FY 2021 funding from the Duck Stamp account. (Public Comment)

Glenn explained to the Board of the projects of the Duck stamp program and the projects that has been submitted. A discussions of funding amounts and funds available.

It was moved by Billie Williams, seconded by Wayne Larson to approve the department Recommendations. Motion Carried.

- 3*. **Commission Regulation 20-12, 2020- 2021 Upland Game and Furbearer Seasons and Bag Limits** The Board will review and make possible recommendations to the Commission as they will consider and may vote to amend regulations for upland game birds and mammals as well

as furbearers for the 2020 season. This regulation will also include fall wild turkey seasons for 2020 and spring wild turkey seasons for 2021 (Public Comment)

The Board reviewed the Department Recommendations for the Upland Game Units and Game Management Units.

Discussion of the bag limits and the recommendations as presented. After review:

It was moved by Wayne Larson, seconded by Johnny Peterson to approve the Department Recommendations. Motion Carried.

- 4*. **Upland Game Bird Stamp Request** The Board will review the projects and may make recommendations to the Commission as they will review and make take action to approve up to \$264,840 for projects submitted for FY 2021 funding from the Upland Game Bird Stamp account. (Public Comment)

Glenn explained that the request the Commissions logic in expenditures of the funds. Discussion of the balance of the funds left available and how quickly it would recover.

It was moved by Johnny Peterson, seconded by Wayne Larson that Mineral CAB approves the Commissions approving the Upland Game Bir Stamp Request as submitted in the support material. Motion Carried.

- 5*. **Fiscal Year 2021 County Advisory Board Budget Requests.** The Board will review and may make recommendation to the Commission as they may approve an estimated amount of \$36,526 to be added to the reported cash balance on hand for the County Advisory Boards, as requested, to Manage Wildlife budgets for fiscal year 2021 (Public Comment)

Glenn explained to the Board a history of the Mineral CAB budgets and of the procedure for submitting the budget. He also reported to the board that the 2018-2019 ending fund balance was \$132.00 and was cutting it real close. However by attending the Zoom Commission Meetings instead of attending the Commission meetings in person has created a different scenario this year. With the amount be fully funded, there should not be any problems going into the 2020-2021 fiscal year. (Informational item only)

- 6*. **Discussion of items to be requested of the Wildlife Commissioners for Mineral County.** The Board will review items they feel should be requested of the Wildlife Commission to be implemented for the good of Mineral County environment and residents to include but not limited to Antelope Muzzleloader Season, and Management Plan for and Elk Transplant in Mineral County. (Public Comment)

The board wanted to discuss this item again, so as to assure the desire of the local government, residents and hunting enthusiast. After thorough discussion:

It was moved by Billie Williams, seconded by Johnny Peterson to send a formal letter from the of request after July 1, 2020 from Mineral CAB to the Wildlife Commission requesting:

1: To create an Antelope Muzzleloader season in Mineral County and:

2: Request the Commission to direct the department to do the feasibility study to transplant Elk into Mineral County.

Motion Carried.

7. **The Board May Review remaining items of the June 26-27, 2020 Commission Agenda.**

An additional item on the June 25-27, 2020 Commission Meeting is the letter Glenn received from John Zenz relative to his petition for the change in bonus point numbers. The board discussed the various scenarios presented and felt like it could have some merit. It was noted that several hunters that the board knew of has had bonus points for many years and never drew.

After further discussion:

The consensus of the board felt it could have some merit and to see how it came out of the Commission meeting this week.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM