

# CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE

## Minutes of the April 3, 2009 Meeting

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A special meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife was scheduled for 3:00 p.m. on Friday, April 3, 2009 in the City Hall Capitol Conference Room, 201 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

**PRESENT:** Chairman Gil Yanuck  
Vice Chairman Stan Zuber  
Wes Clyde  
Doug Martin  
John Valley

**STAFF:** Kathleen King, Recording Secretary

**NOTE:** A recording of these proceedings, the board's agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the recording secretary during the meeting are public record. These materials are on file in the Clerk-Recorder's Office, and are available for review during regular business hours.

1. **CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM** (3:00:24) - Chairman Yanuck called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present.
2. **MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA** (3:00:42) - None.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS** (3:00:52) - None.
4. **DISCLOSURES** (3:00:55) - None.
5. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSED LEGISLATION** (3:01:05)  
- Chairman Yanuck combined items 5 and 6.

**AB 18:** Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of the bill which is a funding bill for bonds to support Lake Tahoe Environmental Improvement Program, a portion includes funding for the protection of wildlife and its habitat. **Member Martin moved to support AB 18. Member Clyde seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**AB 73:** (3:02:32) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of the bill which clarifies driver age of boat with skier and eliminates obsolete language. **Member Martin moved to support AB 73. Member Valley seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**AB 77:** (3:03:24) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of the bill and its current status. He noted the fiscal note prepared by NDOW law enforcement and provided an overview of the same. He entertained discussion. Member Valley noted previous concerns regarding anatomical verbiage included in the previous bill draft. Member Martin advised that the actual definition of "parts" is in regulation, not in statute. Discussion followed and **Member Clyde moved to support AB 77. Member Valley seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**AB 171:** (3:05:39) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of the bill which would legalize fish pedicures in Nevada. **Member Valley moved to oppose AB 171. Member Clyde seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

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**AB 183:** (3:05:54) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of the bill and its current status. He advised of extensive discussion which took place at the last Commission meeting, and noted that the intent is not to be a tag sale. He advised that verbiage will be corrected by the Legislative Counsel Bureau. **Member Martin moved to support AB 183. Member Valley seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**AB 194:** (3:07:20) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of the bill, and referred to the fiscal note submitted by NDOW. Member Martin noted the need for clarification in the language of section 5(1) and (2) regarding the person against whom a gross misdemeanor violation would be imposed - the guide or the hunter. Extensive discussion ensued on the ambiguity of the bill, therefore **Member Clyde moved to oppose AB 194 due to section 5. The motion was seconded and carried 4-1.**

**AB 241:** (3:19:18) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill. **Member Martin moved to oppose AB 241. Member Clyde seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**AB 246:** (3:19:44) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill. He noted that the bill would cost \$60,000 to \$80,000 to program. In addition, the bill was not clear as to the number of licensed people over age 18 that could be taken out. Chairman Yanuck questioned the maturity level of an 18-year-old to serve as a mentor to a younger hunter. Member Martin expressed support for those portions of the bill which encourage hunting, but concern over the language of Section 1(5) which allows a hunter to obtain an apprentice hunting license without having completed a hunter safety course. He discussed the issue of assigned liability given to the mentor if something went wrong. He suggested the larger issue is issuing a hunting license without the hunter having completed a hunter safety course. Chairman Yanuck expressed support for encouraging new hunters, but the opinion that the bill hadn't sufficiently addressed the issues discussed. Vice Chairman Zuber pointed out that his wife would have to complete a hunter safety course prior to being issued a hunting license, but the neighbor kid wouldn't. Member Martin noted that a child under the age of 12 can hunt without a license in the company of a licensed hunter who accepts the responsibility. Additional discussion followed and Chairman Yanuck entertained a motion. **Vice Chairman Zuber moved to oppose AB 246. Member Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**AB 362:** (3:27:30) - Chairman Yanuck read an overview of the bill into the record. **Member Valley moved to oppose AB 362. Member Clyde seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**AB 437:** (3:28:02) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill, and opened the item for discussion. Member Martin commented that he likes the idea of raising money for the heritage program, however is concerned that it doesn't tie into the number of tags allocated for special hunts which goes back to the concern expressed by Jim Davis at the last meeting. Chairman Yanuck noted discrepancies in the way the bill is written in consideration of the Legislative Counsel Bureau's synopsis, which he read into the record together with Section 2(2)(a). He expressed concern over the lack of transparency associated with the non-profit entity. Member Martin suggested the intent of the bill is to provide a lottery to one of the "big game feeds." He suggested supporting no recommendation for this bill. Member Clyde commented that it will end up like the other tags "to the highest bidder." A brief discussion ensued, and Chairman Yanuck entertained a motion. He expressed concern that "there's too much that can slip through the cracks" which would be beyond anyone's control. Additional discussion ensued and **Member Martin moved for no recommendation as to AB 437 and expressed support for the concept but the language is too ambiguous. Member Valley seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1.**

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**AB 516:** (3:36:00) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of the bill. Vice Chairman Zuber expressed concern over the bureaucratic processes associated with the bill. Chairman Yanuck expressed concern over the Wildlife Commissioners controlling the fund. Member Martin advised of having watched the legislative hearing and that the language had been changed which brought the director back into it. Discussion ensued. Chairman Yanuck expressed concern as to how the current Commission will spend the money. Member Clyde expressed support for the Commission having oversight authority but that the Department should have spending authority. **Member Clyde moved to oppose AB 516. Vice Chairman Zuber seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**SB 42:** (3:44:35) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill. He noted that the provisions of the bill expedites the ability of the department without having to go through as many bureaucratic processes. **Member Martin moved to support SB 42. Member Valley seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**SB 108:** (3:47:18) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill. He expressed support for the concept, but concern over the proposed marker materials. Member Martin explained the purpose and function of claim markers. Vice Chairman Zuber reviewed a list of animals which get stuck in the claim markers. **Vice Chairman Zuber moved to support SB 108. Member Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**SB 146:** (3:50:09) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill. **Member Martin moved to support SB 146. Vice Chairman Zuber seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**SB 280:** (3:52:03) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill. Member Martin advised that the state is taking over the Carson Lake operation. **Member Martin moved to support SB 280. Member Valley seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.**

**SB 394:** (3:53:15) - Chairman Yanuck provided an overview of this bill and opened discussion. Member Valley expressed opposition because of the administrative processes associated with registration, and because the revenue will be allocated to the Department of Motor Vehicles for purposes other than off-highway uses. Vice Chairman Zuber expressed support, but the opinion that it won't generate the expected revenue. Member Martin noted that there were no controls and would like to see safety issues. Discussion ensued. **Member Clyde moved to oppose SB 394. Member Valley seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1.**

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (4:03:30) - None.

**8. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT** (4:03:59) - Chairman Yanuck entertained a motion for adjournment. Member Clyde moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded and carried 5-0.

The Minutes of the April 3, 2009 Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife Meeting are so approved this 25th day of June, 2009.

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GIL YANUCK, Chairman