

CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE

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A regular meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife was scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, March 7, 2011, in the Business Resource Innovation Center, 108 East Proctor Street, Room A, Carson City, Nevada.

Present: Chairman Gil Yanuck
Vice Chairman Stan Zuber
Member Jim Davis
Member Doug Martin
Member John Valley

Staff: Tamar Warren, 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's Office and are available for review during regular business hours.

1. CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM. (5:22:35) – Chairman Yanuck called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. A quorum was present. Member Martin arrived at 6:20 p.m.

2. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES. – There were no minutes to approve.

3. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA. (5:33:05) – Chairman Yanuck requested addressing item 11 after item 5.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS. (5:33:36) – Chairman Yanuck solicited public comments. Mr. Kevin (CK) Baily informed the Board that he had addressed the topic of “trout in the classroom” in Lyon County schools. He added that the kids’ fishing day was targeted for October 8, 2011 at Baily Pond. Mr. Baily also noted that the first stocking of Baily pond would take place tomorrow, around 10 a.m.

5. DISCLOSURES. (5:36:29) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item and disclosed that he had received one more letter opposing the bear hunt.

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TRICOUNTY DEER HERD RESTORATION WORKING GROUP. (6:41:10) – Member Martin informed the Board that NDOW had completed the capture and collaring of 70 mule deer in the Carson range and were collecting preliminary data. He also reported that State Mule Deer Specialist Tony Waseley had suggested that the next meeting in May take place at the habitat, and discuss being supported as a Heritage Project next year.

7. REPORT AND DISCUSSION OF POINTS OF INTEREST FROM THE FEBRUARY 4 AND 5, 2011 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING. (5:41:04) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item and reported that much of the discussion had centered around the Wayne E. Kirch Nevada Wildlife Conservation Award. He stated that an effort to remove the item from the agenda had failed. He also commented that the discussion on the computer model and recommendation process report was informative; however, good examples were not available since it was work in progress. Chairman Yanuck said that an informational wolf regulation report was presented. He reported that the Pickens horse monument in Eastern Nevada was removed from the agenda, however, there was much discussion regarding water usage of wild horses. Chairman Yanuck also said that the decision of a management bull elk hunt and seasons was turned down by the Commission, and that the waterfowl hunt zone, especially option 3, had received a favorable response. The Mule Deer Restoration Committee’s report was also accepted, per Chairman Yanuck.

8. DISCUSSION REGARDING INFORMATIONAL REPORTS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE MARCH 11 AND 12, 2011 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING. (5:47:23) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item, stating that these were informational reports and invited the Board to remove any items for discussion. Mr. Baily requested the discussion of item 8E.

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8-A. WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT FISCAL YEAR 2011 PLAN REPORT - CHIEF OF GAME LARRY GILBERTSON.

8-A(1) WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT - COMMISSIONER VOGLER.

8-B. LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT AND ACTIONS - COMMISSION CAPURRO
8-B(1) THE COMMISSION WILL HEAR A REPORT FROM THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

8-C. COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 394 WOLF STATUS, TEMPORARY-T006-10 - CHAIRMAN RAINÉ.

8-D. MANAGEMENT BULL ELK - DEFINITION - CHIEF OF GAME LARRY GILBERTSON.

8-E. WAYNE E. KIRCH WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AWARD JUDGING COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS - COMMISSIONER HOWELL. (5:55:04) – Mr. Baily expressed his disappointment, stating that as a former recipient of the Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Conservation Award, he would rather see it “shelved until it could be hashed out”. Chairman Yanuck agreed to convey Mr. Baily’s views to the Commission.

8-F. WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AGENCIES (“WAFWA”) 2011 MID-WINTER CONFERENCE REPORT - COMMISSIONER CAPURRO

8-G. ELK DAMAGE AND INCENTIVE COMMITTEE REPORT - COMMISSIONER VOGLER

8-H. RUBY MOUNTAIN DEER STUDY - CHIEF OF GAME LARRY GILBERTSON

8-I. WILDLIFE HERITAGE TRUST FUND PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST FISCAL YEAR 2012 - DEPUTY DIRECTOR PATRICK CATES

8-J. 2011 LEGISLATIVE SESSION UPDATE - MANAGEMENT ANALYST III KIM JOLLY

8-K. LOCAL BEAR ORDINANCES UPDATE - MANAGEMENT ANALYST III KIM JOLLY

8-L. GIFTS, GRANTS, DONATIONS, AND BEQUESTS - DEPUTY DIRECTOR CATES

8-M. LITIGATION REPORT - DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL DAVID NEWTON

8-N. DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES / LEADERSHIP TEAM NOTES - ACTING SECRETARY KEN MAYER

8-O. SECOND READINGS OF COMMISSION POLICIES - VICE CHAIR LENT.

8-P. REVISIONS TO COMMISSION POLICY #51, WAYNE E. KIRCH NEVADA WILDLIFE CONSERVATION AWARD - COMMISSIONER HOWELL.

8-Q. REPORT FROM FERAL HORSE COMMITTEE - COMMITTEE MEMBER FLOYD RATHBUN

9. ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE CONSENT AGENDA. (5:48:45) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item. Member Valley commented that he was unable to view all the attachments he had received. Member Yanuck confirmed that for the past two months the packets were either not received, or were unusable. He stated that some members had received odd pages and some had received even pages. He realized that the e-mailed materials were

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too large to print, and said he would address this issue at the Commission meeting. Vice Chairman Zuber moved to accept items 9A – 9G, except for item 9F. The motion was seconded by Member Davis. Motion carried 4-0.

9-A. ACTION REGARDING WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT FISCAL YEAR 2011 PLAN - COMMISSIONER VOGLER.

9-B. ACTION REGARDING ADDITIONAL APPLICATION HUNT SYSTEM REPORT FORMAT - CHIEF OF OPERATIONS BOB HAUGHIAN.

9-C. ACTION REGARDING BILLS REVIEWED AT THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING - COMMISSIONER CAPURRO.

9-D. ACTION REGARDING CONSIDERATION OF DISBANDING *DE FACTO* COMMITTEE TO MEET WITH GOVERNOR SANDOVAL - CHAIRMAN RAINÉ.

9-E. ACTION REGARDING ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, REGULATIONS AND POLICY (“APRP”) COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS - VICE CHAIR LENT.

9-F. ACTION REGARDING MANAGEMENT BULL ELK - DEFINITION - CHIEF OF GAME LARRY GILBERTSON. (5:57:18) – Member Valley suggested that only under 5x5 bull elks be considered. Chairman Yanuck explained that this gave the opportunity for hunters to hunt a less than perfect elk. In response to Member Davis’ question, Chairman Yanuck confirmed that this would be similar to a cow hunt, and tags and could be applied for every year. Discussion ensued regarding enforcement. **Member Valley moved to have the issues discussed in this meeting elevated to the Commission.** The motion was seconded by member Davis. Motion carried 4-0.

9-G. ACTION REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION NUMBER 11-09 - BLACK BEAR DRAW APPLICATION DEADLINE - PROGRAM OFFICER III MAUREEN HULLINGER.

10. 2011 BIENNIAL COUNTY ADVISORY BOARDS TO MANAGE WILDLIFE WORKSHOP.

10-A. WELCOME AND OPENING COMMENTS - CHAIRMAN RAINÉ AND ACTING SECRETARY KEN MAYER

10-B. CABMW BUDGETING - DEPUTY DIRECTOR PATRICK CATES AND ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS

10-C. BIG GAME DIVISION COMPUTER MODEL PROCESS DEMONSTRATION - BIG GAME DIVISION CHIEF LARRY GILBERTSON AND BIG GAME BIOLOGIST MIKE COX

10-D. FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS FOR CABMW MANUAL - MANAGEMENT ANALYST KIM JOLLY

10-E. NDOW WEBSITE DEMONSTRATION - WEBSITE COORDINATOR JAKE SUNDERLAND

10-F. THE REGULATORY PROCESS - CHIEF GAME WARDEN ROB BUONAMICI

11. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO APPROVE AND FORWARD TO NDOW DIRECTOR KEN MAYER A LETTER RECOGNIZING THE SERVICE AND DEDICATION OF NDOW BIG GAME BIOLOGIST CARL LACKEY. (5:37:14) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item and read a letter, incorporated into the record, addressed to Director Ken Mayer, from the Board expressing appreciation for Mr. Lackey’s outstanding efforts. **Member Valley moved to approve and forward to NDOW director Ken Mayer a letter recognizing the service and dedication of NDOW Big Game Biologist Carl Lackey.** The motion was seconded by Member Davis. Motion carried 4-0.

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Chairperson Yanuck also gave a copy of the letter and a certificate to Mr. Lackey. Mr. Lackey thanked the Board and said he appreciated the recognition.

12. REPORT ON NEVADA SAGE GROUSE CONSERVATION TEAM. (6:21:21) – Chairman Yanuck explained that the legislature at the Department of Natural Resources was in agreement “to do something”. \$14 Million had been raised in Nevada for conservation and habitat improvement purposes, according to Chairman Yanuck. He added that they were also working with the BLM office in Bishop.

13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE BUDGET. (6:18:41) – Chairman Yanuck stated that the upcoming workshop would include a review of the budgeting process and the use of the spreadsheet he had created several years ago. A USB drive, previously prepared for the legislators, would be handed at the meeting, with the addition of the latest manual.

14. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENTS TO UPCOMING WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS. (6:24:50) Chairman Yanuck announced that he would be attending the Commission meeting next Friday and Saturday. Vice Chairman Zuber recommended that members attend the Saturday workshop, which he had attended and found very beneficial.

15. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SCHEDULE NEXT CCABMW MEETING. (6:27:28) – Chairman Yanuck notified the Board of the upcoming meeting on Monday, April 11, 2011.

16. STATUS REPORTS FROM STAFF. – (6:27:40) – Ms. Warren read an excerpt from the November 15, 2010 minutes of the Carson River Advisory Committee’s (CRAC) tour of the Northern Nevada Correctional Facility. “After brief introductions, Mr. Guzman relayed an interest from the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (CCABMW) to have a trailhead, or a form of access, east of the Carson River, for the hunting of ducks. Mr. Bryant stated that they currently had an issue with duck hunters and were working with the Fish and Game Department towards a resolution. He stated that hunters encroached on prison property, fences were in constant need of repair, and shotgun shells and trash were left behind. He also expressed concern about weapons being so close to the prison and the inmates.” The Board agreed to invite the CRAC chairperson to a future meeting for further discussion.

17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS. (6:40:45) – Previously Discussed.

18. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT. (6:46:25) – Member Martin moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Davis. The meeting was adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

The minutes of the March 7, 2011 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved this 11th day of April, 2011.

GIL YANUCK, Chairman