

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Monday May 11, 2015 • 4:00 PM
Community Center Sierra Room
851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Board Members

Chair – Doug Martin
Member – James Powell
Member – Gil Yanuck

Vice Chair – Stan Zuber
Member – John Valley

Staff

Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (4:06:22) – Chairperson Martin called the meeting to order. Roll was called. A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Doug Martin	Absent	
Stan Zuber	Present	
James Powell	Present	
John Valley	Present	
Gil Yanuck	Present	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:06:50) – None.

3. For Possible Action: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 16, 2015 and April 6, 2015.

(4:07:37) – MOTION: I move to accept both sets of minutes [March 16, 2015 and April 6, 2015] as written.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-0)
MOVER:	Powell
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Powell, Valley, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin

4. For Possible Action: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

(4:08:19) – MOTION: I move to adopt the agenda as amended.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-0)
MOVER:	Yanuck
SECONDER:	Valley
AYES:	Powell, Valley, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin

5. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES.

(4:08:32) – Vice Chairperson Zuber disclosed receipt of an email from the Fraternity of the Desert Bighorn Sheep requesting support for Heritage Projects 16-10 and 16-11. Member Powell disclosed that he had discussed the two proposed buildings at the Carson City Rifle and Pistol Range with Ken Dorr, and was informed that if a conceptual design were to be submitted, Mr. Dorr would be able to estimate the number of engineering hours he would donate to the project. Member Powell also noted that he would inform the Parks and Recreation Director and Deputy Director as well. Member Yanuck explained that he had been working on the budget with NDOW and that he had submitted a draft of this Board’s budget. He also wished to agendize the item for the next meeting, and distributed a proposed copy, incorporated into the record.

6. For Possible Action: UPDATE ON URBAN MULE DEER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM BY CCABMW MEMBER JOHN VALLEY AND UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA COOPERATIVE EXTENSION EDUCATOR JOANNE SKELLY; PRESENTATION OF PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT BY ROB BOEHMER.

(4:04:04) – Member Valley introduced the item and deferred to JoAnne Skelly, University of Nevada Cooperative Extension Educator, who updated the Board on last April’s volunteer meeting. She stated that sterilization had not worked and that hunting within the City limits was not an option. Ms. Skelly explained that education was the best method of communicating the dangers and diseases carried out by the deer. She also discussed ideas on how to make properties unfriendly to deer by planting certain vegetation and not feeding them. Ms. Skelly announced that the “environmental class students” at Carson High School were working on a brochure. She noted that the next volunteer meeting would include receiving input regarding the distribution of the brochure. Discussion ensued regarding educating the public on not feeding the deer.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(4:26:20) – Rob Boehmer, President of Nevada Operation Game Thief Citizens’ Board, noted that they had done a public service announcement (PSA) with Sheriff Ken Furlong and Supervisor Karen Abowd, and were awaiting the completion of editing the PSA by the Brewery Arts Center. Mr. Boehmer also explained that the Sheriff’s Department was the initial contact point for the public. Member Powell noted that the deer behavior has changed over the years due to the human encroachment on deer territory. Discussion ensued regarding the increase of predators and bears looking for food as well. Member Yanuck thanked Mr. Boehmer for all the progress he had made.

7. Informational Item: REPORT AND DISCUSSION OF POINTS OF INTEREST FROM THE MOST RECENT NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

(4:43:00) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item and Member Yanuck stated that he had attended the Saturday meeting, while Chairperson Martin had attended the one on Friday. Member Yanuck noted that most of the Saturday discussion revolved about the Humboldt County elk species management planning process, the drought, and the status of the bi-state sage grouse which would not be on the endangered species list. Member

Powell announced that he had also attended the Friday meeting and that the Commission had listened to everyone's opinion regarding the petition to outlaw the coyote hunting contest, which had been rejected.

8. For Possible Action: NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS PROPOSED REGULATIONS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS.

(4:49:30) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item.

(4:50:52) – MOTION: I move to accept all the consent agenda items listed in agenda item 8 with the exception of item 8D.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-0)
MOVER:	Powell
SECONDER:	Valley
AYES:	Powell, Valley, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin

8-A. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 456, LCB FILE NO. T004-15 (TEMPORARY LCB FILE) - ELK ARBITRATION PANEL; PROPOSED CHANGES TO NAC 502.42283 - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN F. WAKELING.

8-B. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 457, LCB FILE NO. T003-15 (TEMPORARY LCB FILE) - AWARDS, ISSUANCE, AND USE OF TAGS - PROPOSED CHANGES TO NAC 502.42279 - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN F. WAKELING.

8-C. For Possible Action: FISCAL YEAR 2016 DRAFT PREDATION MANAGEMENT PLAN (THIRD DRAFT) - COMMISSIONER BLISS, GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN F. WAKELING, AND WILDLIFE STAFF BIOLOGIST PAT JACKSON.

8-D. For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 15-12, 2015 BIG GAME QUOTAS FOR THE 2015 - 2016 SEASON - WILDLIFE STAFF BIOLOGIST SPECIALISTS MIKE COX AND CODY SCHROEDER.

(4:51:13) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item and invited NDOW Biologist Mike Cox to present a general overview of the quotas, and go into detail as questions arise from the Board members. Mr. Cox noted the impact of the drought experienced by some of the herds in Western Nevada resulting in reduced quotas; however, he stated that in the eastern region areas like White Pine, Elko, and Eureka benefited from the late summer rains. Mr. Cox also stated that they were adding “some new unit groups”, and went through many species’ quotas and herd health status within the State. He also confirmed that the Commission will establish regulations for the numbers of tags to be issued for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, mountain goats, and black bears for the 2015 - 2016 seasons. In response to a question by Member Yanuck, Mr. Cox stated that in the Carson area, the loss to predators was less than five percent of the deer population.

There were no public comments

(5:45:30) – MOTION: I move to accept all the quotas as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-0)
MOVER:	Valley
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Powell, Valley, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin

9. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS OF THE MAY 15 AND 16, 2015 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

(5:46:01) – None.

10. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENTS TO UPCOMING WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.

(5:46:55) – Member Yanuck noted that he would attend the next two meetings.

11. Informational Item: NEXT CCABMW MEETING. THE NEXT MEETING OF THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 19 AND 20, 2015 IN EUREKA.

(5:49:10) – Chairperson Zuber indicated that the next meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2015.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(5:34:02) – None.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:51:00) – Ms. Warren stated that all meeting audio recordings are now available on www.carson.org/minutes 72 hours after each meeting.

(5:51:44) – Vice Chairperson Zuber, announced the successful Kids' Fishing Day on May 2, 2015 at Baily Pond. He also stated that he had participated in a fly tying session for Member Valley's Outdoor Education Class at Carson High School and complimented the students for being very engaged. Member Valley thanked Mr. Zuber on behalf of his students.

15. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (5:58:50) –Member Valley moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Powell. The meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

The minutes of the May 11, 2015 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved this 21st day in September, 2015.

DOUG MARTIN, Chairman