

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Monday September 21, 2015 • 4:00 PM
Community Center Sierra Room
851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Board Members

Chair – Doug Martin
Member – Robert Boehmer
Member – Gil Yanuck

Vice Chair – Stan Zuber
Member – James Powell

Staff

Jennifer Mayhew, Deputy District Attorney
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM – Vice Chairperson Zuber called the meeting to order. Roll was called. A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Doug Martin	Absent	
Stan Zuber	Present	
Robert Boehmer	Present	
James Powell	Absent	
Gil Yanuck	Present	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

C.K. Baily introduced himself and expressed concern over the drought conditions and their impact on fishing.

3. For Possible Action: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 11, 2015, AUGUST 3, 2015.

MOTION: I move to accept the minutes of the May 11, 2015 and August 3, 2015 meetings as submitted.

RESULT:	APPROVED (3-0-0)
MOVER:	Boehmer
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Zuber, Boehmer, Yanuck
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin, Powell

4. For Possible Action: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: I move to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED (3-0-0)
MOVER:	Yanuck
SECONDER:	Boehmer
AYES:	Zuber, Boehmer, Yanuck
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin, Powell

5. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES

There were no member disclosures.

6. For Possible Action: UPDATE ON MULE DEER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM.

(4:14:26) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item and Member Yanuck updated the board on a meeting held with the City Manager and other departments, and stated that a decision to include an educational brochure with the utility bills was deemed ineffective. He noted that around 6,000 copies of the brochure would be printed and available in public places. Discussion ensued regarding public education and the removal process of injured deer, including the agencies or third parties that could respond.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:26:39) – John Valley introduced himself and inquired about who to call in case of a fatal impact and received clarification that the incident calls within City limits should go to the Carson City Sheriff's Office, and that they would route the calls to the appropriate Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) personnel. Further discussion ensued regarding NDOW responsibility and the advisory role of this Board.

8. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 454, FIREARM CARRY DURING MUZZLELOADER AND ARCHERY HUNTS, LCB FILE NO. 4007-15 - CHIEF GAME WARDEN TYLER TURNIPSEED. *The commission will consider permanent adoption of the temporary regulation, which expires November 1, 2015, relating to the carry of a firearm in the field while hunting under archery and muzzleloader regulations, including language changes from Assembly Bill 136 of the 78th Legislative Session. The regulation will change NAC 503.142 and 503.144 to allow the carry of personal protection handguns while archery and muzzleloader hunting. The regulation was in response to input from sportsmen and Assembly Bill 136 sponsor Nevada Assemblyman John Ellison to allow the carry of firearms while archery and muzzleloader hunting for protection from criminal activity and wildlife attacks. A workshop on the temporary regulation was held on November 14, 2014, and the temporary regulation adopted on February 7, 2015. At the workshop, the commission discussed different alternatives to handgun carry restrictions and the need for archers to carry a handgun during archery-only season. The language was updated to reflect the changes requested by the commission, by allowing a person to carry any handgun that is not scoped and has a barrel length less than 8 inches. The language change clarified the type of handgun to be carried in the field during archery-only season. Further language changes were added as a result of Assembly Bill 136 to also allow handgun carry during muzzleloader season. An additional workshop was held on August 7, 2015 at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting, and no further changes were made.*

(4:21:25) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item. Member Yanuck explained that the change in the regulation was to add “muzzleloader” to it, as carrying side arms for protection by archers had already been

previously approved. Member Boehmer noted that he was neutral on the issue and indicated he would be in favor of the change.

There were no public comments.

(4:47:40) – MOTION: I move that the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife support the regulation change to include muzzleloaders along with archery during hunting season.

RESULT:	APPROVED (3-0-0)
MOVER:	Yanuck
SECONDER:	Boehmer
AYES:	Zuber, Boehmer, Yanuck
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin, Powell

8. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 455, TRAPPING QUESTIONNAIRE DEADLINE AND TRAPPING LICENSE VALID DATES, LCB FILE NO. R008-15 - MANAGEMENT ANALYST MAUREEN HULLINGER. *The commission will consider permanent adoption of the temporary regulation, which expires November 1, 2015, relating to trapping questionnaires and trapping license valid periods. The regulation will add language to specify the valid period of a trapping license as July 1 through June 20. The regulation amendment will also update the trapping questionnaire deadline language, changing the deadline from April 30 to May 31, making it consistent with other Department questionnaire language. The amendment includes adding authority for the Department to prohibit the purchase of a subsequent trapping license when a trapper fails to return a questionnaire. This amendment will allow the Department to administer the trapping questionnaire processes effectively in regard to the trapping seasons as established by the commission, prohibiting sale of a trapping license until the previous year's questionnaire is provided. The regulation is intended to give trappers ample time to return their questionnaires but also provide an efficient license denial procedure if they fail to return their questionnaire. The workshop on the temporary regulation was held on November 14, 2014, and the temporary regulation was adopted on February 7, 2015. An additional workshop was held on August 7, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting, where the word "may" on the last line of subsection 2, was changed to "shall" to eliminate ambiguity.*

(4:48:39) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item. Member Yanuck reminded the Board that a public comment during a past meeting had been about trappers not submitting their questionnaire responses “on time or at all”, adding that he had not received a response to that question. Member Boehmer indicated that trappers would be penalized if they do not submit the aforementioned items.

There were no public comments.

(4:52:46) – MOTION: I move that the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife support the Commission General Regulation 455, trapping questionnaire deadline and trapping license valid dates to LCB file No. R008-15.

RESULT:	APPROVED (3-0-0)
MOVER:	Yanuck
SECONDER:	Boehmer
AYES:	Zuber, Boehmer, Yanuck
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin, Powell

9. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 456, SPECIAL INCENTIVE ELK ARBITRATION PANEL, LCB FILE NO. R031-15 - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN WAKELING. *The commission will consider permanent adoption of the temporary regulation, which expires November 1, 2015, relating to amending NAC 502.42283, by which the commission may facilitate decisions by appointing or serving as the arbitration panel should arbitration of elk incentive tag awards become necessary; and other matters relating thereto. A workshop on the temporary regulation was held on March 20, 2015, and the temporary regulation was adopted on May 15, 2015. An additional workshop was held on August 7, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting, and no further changes were made.*

(4:53:54) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item. There were no Board or public comments.

(4:54:46) – MOTION: I move that the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife support the Commission General Regulation 456, Special Incentive Elk Arbitration Panel, LCB file No. R031-15.

RESULT:	APPROVED (3-0-0)
MOVER:	Boehmer
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Zuber, Boehmer, Yanuck
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin, Powell

10. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 457, AWARDS, ISSUANCE, AND USE OF TAGS, LCB FILE NO. R030-15 - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN WAKELING. *The commission will consider a permanent adoption of the temporary regulation, which expires November 1, 2015, amending license issuance and use clarification for elk incentive tags. Elk incentive tags were designed to be issued in association with “bull” hunts and seasons. Subsequent to initial NRS and NAC adoption, “spike” hunts have been developed, and “antlered” tags do not clearly denote the appropriate quota or season for which the incentive tags are intended. The amended formula will account for the harvest of “spike” elk, but identify seasons for incentive tag use; and other matters relating thereto. A workshop on the temporary regulation was held on March 20, 2015, and the temporary regulation was adopted on May 15, 2015. An additional workshop was held on August 7, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting. The definition of TSH was changed to read, “The total number of spike elk harvested in spike-only hunts in the previous year in the unit of units within the management area or areas in which the private land is located.” The new language inserted was “in spike-only hunts.” This is to make clear that the TSH would be limited to the total number of spike elk harvested in a spike-only hunt.*

(4:56:01) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item. There were no Board or public comments.

(4:52:22) – MOTION: I move that the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife support the Commission General Regulation 457, Awards Issuance and Use of Tags, LCB file No. R030-15.

RESULT:	APPROVED (3-0-0)
MOVER:	Boehmer
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Zuber, Boehmer, Yanuck
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin, Powell

11. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 16-02, FISHING SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS FOR 2016 - 2018 - DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR JOHN SJOBERG. *The commission will establish fishing seasons, bag and possession limits for the period of March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2018.*

(4:57:17) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item and explained the proposed regulation changes. Member Boehmer expressed concern about the implementation of certain species, adding that he was in favor of the overall proposal.

(5:01:40) – MOTION: I move that the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife agree with the recommendations and support the Commission General Regulation 16-02, Fishing Seasons and Bag Limits for 2016-2018.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:04:13) – Mr. Baily called the changes and Division Administrator John Sjoberg “brilliant”; however, he cautioned against other “professionals” who had introduced “predatory” species in Nevada, California, Montana, Oregon, and other states that had been damaging. Vice Chairperson Zuber noted that the regulation stated ongoing monitoring by biologists. Member Boehmer explained that the purpose of the regulation was to eradicate carp and stated that data existed on the results. Discussion ensued regarding other predatory species and Member Boehmer noted that this introduction was being done in a “manageable” manner. Mr. Baily wished to understand the methodology behind the proposed changes.

(5:17:11) – Member Boehmer wished to amend his motion to state that “this Board is in support of the regulations with the exception of the introduction of “musky” without us having more data on why they are doing that, and what is the long term plan for the eradication of the “musky” out of that reservoir?” Member Yanuck agreed to second the amendment.

RESULT:	APPROVED (3-0-0)
MOVER:	Boehmer
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Zuber, Boehmer, Yanuck
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	Martin, Powell

12. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS OF THE SEPTEMBER 25 AND 26, 2015 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. *Other than the above items 7 through 11, the remaining items on the attached September 25 and 26, 2015 Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners agenda typically require no action of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife. Occasionally, one or more advisory board members may have a desire to discuss these items and such discussion may result in action in the form of advice or a recommendation by this advisory board to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners. There will be no public comment unless action will be taken on an item.*

13. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENT(S) TO THE NOVEMBER 13 AND 14, 2015 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING IN RENO

(5:23:55) – Vice Chairperson Zuber introduced the item. Member Boehmer noted that he would attend the meeting on Friday, November 13, 2015; however, he would be unable to attend on Saturday, November 14, 2015. It was agreed to have another attendee on Saturday.

14. Informational Item: NEXT CCABMW MEETING

(5:25:08) – Vice Chairperson Zuber announced that the next Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting will tentatively be scheduled for Monday, November 9, 2015. It was also agreed to continue starting the meetings at 4 p.m.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(5:25:53) – Vice Chairperson Zuber noted that improvements to the Carson City Rifle and Pistol Range were underway as a result of a grant from NDOW. Discussion ensued regarding an automated gate.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:30:20) – Mr. Baily announced that the Kids' Fishing Day at Baily Pond was scheduled for the first Saturday in May, 2016.

14. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT

(5:33:29) – **Member Boehmer moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Yanuck.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 p.m.

The minutes of the September 21, 2015 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved this 9th day of November, 2015.

STAN ZUBER, Vice Chair