

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Monday March 20, 2017 ● 4:00 PM

Board Members

Chair – Robert Boehmer
Member – Gene Green
Member – Stan Zuber

Vice Chair – Doug Martin
Member – Gil Yanuck

Staff

Dan Yu, Deputy District Attorney
Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

(4:08:40) – Chairperson Boehmer called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m. Roll was called. A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Robert Boehmer	Present	
Doug Martin	Present	
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Gene Green	Present	
Gil Yanuck	Present	
Stan Zuber	Present	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:09:26) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. Kevin C.K. Baily announced that the Trout in the Classroom teacher-based program has been completed and had gone very well, with 700-800 participating students. He also noted that he had been following legislative activity for “at least a half a dozen items that would affect this body”.

(4:11:46) – Bob Rittenhouse introduced himself as a member of the Douglas County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife and requested reactivating the Tri-County [Douglas, Washoe, and Carson City] Working Group to share issues relating to various counties. He also commended this Board on the educational pamphlets provided to the public. Chairperson Boehmer stated that Mr. Rittenhouse’s email had been received for agendizing this item; however, after the posting of the agenda, and he noted that the item would be agendized for the May meeting.

3. For Possible Action: ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

(4:16:37) – MOTION: I move to approve the agenda as written.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Zuber
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

4. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES

(4:17:01) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. There were no disclosures by Board members. Mr. Yu clarified that the Open Meeting Law required disclosures by members for any conflict of interest; however, contact with members of the public did not need to be disclosed. Member Yanuck explained that he had testified in favor of S.B. 221, to set up an education department for the public, within the Nevada Department of Wildlife. Member Green disclosed that he was a lobbyist and had testified “quite a few times” in legislative sessions, but not as a representative of this Board. Mr. Yu noted that the disclosure was only necessary if Member Green was materially affected by his position, and his vote would be influenced by it.

5. For Possible Action: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 6, 2017

(4:21:07) – MOTION: I move to approve the Minutes of the February 6, 2017 minutes as written.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Yanuck
SECONDER:	Zuber
AYES:	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

6. For Possible Action: For Possible Action: CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS. *(For additional information on the action items to be considered within this action item, please visit the Nevada Department of Wildlife website at: http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Agenda/). The items agendaized hereafter, as 6-A through 6-C, are consent agenda items. They are considered routine and may be acted upon by the Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife with one action and without extensive hearing. Although a member of the advisory board may request an item be pulled for separate discussion and action, the advisory board chair retains discretion in deciding whether or not to pull an item from the consent agenda. There will be no public comment unless an item is pulled for separate discussion and action.*

(4:21:35) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the consent agenda items listed below. Vice Chair Martin clarified that “the only change being proposed is to reduce the limit of pintail from two to one...and is set by the Pacific Flyway Council”. He also noted that no change was proposed on the number of days to hunt during a week.

(4:25:56) – MOTION: I move that the Carson City Wildlife Advisory Board inform the Commission that we support these regulations as proposed.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Martin
SECONDER:	Zuber
AYES:	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

6-A. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 466, PARTNERSHIP IN WILDLIFE (“PIW”) DRAWING, CHANGES TO NONRESIDENT RESTRICTED DEER TAG, AND CHANGES TO BIG GAME RETURN CARD QUESTIONNAIRE DEADLINE, LCB FILE NO. R140-16 - MANAGEMENT ANALYST III MAUREEN HULLINGER. *The commission will hold a workshop to consider a regulation relating to amending Chapter 502 of the Nevada Administrative Code (“NAC”). This regulation defines the term “main drawing”; revises the order in which the Silver State Tag drawing, PIW drawing, and main drawings for tags are conducted; authorizes an applicant for a nonresident restricted deer tag to apply for a resident deer tag in the Partnership in Wildlife Drawing and the Silver State tag drawing in the same year; and revises the big game return card questionnaire deadline from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.*

6-B. For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 17-05, AMENDMENT #1, BIG GAME SEASONS 2017 - 18, NONRESIDENT DEER (NELSON) BIGHORN EWE HUNTS - BRIAN F. WAKELING. *The commission will consider Amendment #1 of the 2017 – 18 Big Game Hunting Seasons and Dates, to specifically address nonresident Desert (Nelson) Bighorn ewe hunts that were inadvertently omitted at the February commission meeting.*

6-C. For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 17 - 12, MIGRATORY GAME BIRD SEASONS, BAG LIMITS, AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR WATERFOWL AND WEBLESS MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS; PUBLIC HUNTING LIMITED ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND DESIGNATED STATE LANDS - 2017 - 18 SEASON - RUSSELL WOOLSTENHULME. *The commission will consider recommendations for seasons, bag limits, and special regulations for migratory game birds for the 2017 – 18 seasons, and adopt regulations that comply with the proposed regulations framework for the 2017 - 18 hunting seasons on certain migratory game birds established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The commission will also consider rules regulating public hunting on Wildlife Manage Areas and designated state lands.*

7. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS AS PART OF THE MARCH 24 AND 25, 2017 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. *Other than those items listed under the CCABMW consent agenda (item 6 above), the remaining items on the attached March 24 and 25, 2017 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.*

(4:26:38) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. There were no Commission agenda items for discussion; therefore, no action was taken.

8. For Possible Action: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION REGARDING A CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AND KLAMATH BASIN NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES REQUEST FOR UP TO 20 WILD-TRAPPED GREATER SAGE GROUSE PER YEAR FOR

UP TO THREE YEARS FOR TRANSLOCATION TO THE CLEAR LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE IN CALIFORNIA. *The CCABMW will review, discuss, and possibly recommend to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners (the “Commission”) to approve, deny, or otherwise modify a request from the Klamath Basin National Wildlife Refuges and the California Department of Wildlife to capture and translocate, to the Clear Lake National Wildlife Refuge, up to 20 Greater Sage Grouse per year for up to three years. The Nevada Department of Wildlife is proceeding to fulfill the request and seeks the support of the Commission.*

(4:29:18) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and noted that he was in support of it. Member Yanuck clarified that such requests are reciprocated between states and was in favor, to “keep that relationship going”.

(4:32:25) – MOTION: I move to support the action [noted in the agenda item].

PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:32:53) – Mr. Baily inquired whether Nevada had sufficient number of Sage Grouse to fulfil the request above and was informed by Chairperson Boehmer that due to last year’s moisture and availability of food, the Nevada Sage Grouse population had seen an increase.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Martin
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

9. For Possible Action: SECOND READING, COMMISSION POLICY 26A, TRANSPARENCY. *The CCABMW will review, discuss, and possibly recommend to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve, deny, or otherwise modify a second reading of Commission Policy 26A, Transparency. The Commission may take action to suspend, amend, or repeal the policy. At the February 11, 2017 meeting, the Commission voted to suspend Policy 26A until such time as its Administrative Procedures, Regulations, and Policy Committee can revise and renumber the policy to be consistent with Nevada Revised Statutes and all wildlife data.*

(4:34:11) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item, referencing the support material incorporated into the record. He also gave background, noting that the revision was due to the policy being in conflict with Nevada Revised Statute (NRS). There were no public comments.

(4:35:17) – MOTION: I move to support the changes in transparency regarding Policy 26A.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Yanuck
SECONDER:	Green
AYES:	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

10. For Possible Action: NEVADA LAND LEGISLATION. The CCABMW will review, discuss, and possibly recommend to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners to approve, deny, or otherwise modify correspondence on (1) Nevada Lands Act - on the development of new federal legislation related to SJR 1; and (2) Washoe County Lands Bill - concerns on the proposed Washoe County Lands Bill.

(4:36:03) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item adding that it had caused contention in the February Commission meeting, and that that SJR (Senate Joint Resolution) 1 was poorly written. He also referenced the supporting material, incorporated into the record, which included a letter to Congressman Mark Amodei. Vice Chair Martin gave background that SJR 1 was adopted by the 2015 State Legislature and was signed by the Governor, resulting in a proposed Lands Act by the US Congress. He also clarified that the State Senate had prepared SJR 7 and mirrors the 2015 SJR 1, and that the Nevada Wildlife Commission had informed Congressman Amodei that they did not support the resolution not his bill which was drafted in 2016, citing the reasons incorporated into the letter in the record. Vice Chair Martin expressed his support to the Commission’s letter and position, and cited several concerns including the fact that parts of the land “may be subject to disposal in phase two of this proposal”. Member Green noted that he was present at the meeting and was impressed by the unanimous support of the Commission, “everything from sportsmen to photographers to campers”. Chairperson Boehmer noted his agreement to Vice Chair Martin and Member Green and was concerned about fire suppression, believing that Nevada was not equipped to handle it at this time. There were no additional comments and Chairperson Boehmer entertained a motion.

(4:47:16) – MOTION: “I move that the Carson City Wildlife Advisory Board recognize and support the position that the State Wildlife Commission has taken in a draft on this issue, and specifically that we support any lands bill [which] should be much narrower in scope than originally outlined, and it should be supported by specific mapping that clearly depicts areas to be maintained as multi-public use lands, and also seek to maintain no net loss of multiple-use lands that directs funding from any land sales back into conservation of public lands. And, lastly, that it incorporates input from this Commission, the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), the County Advisory Boards (CABs), wildlife conservation, sportsmen’s organizations, and local stakeholders.”

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Martin
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

(4:49:27) – Member Zuber suggested discussing the second part of the agenda having to do with the Washoe County Lands Bill. He believed that the Bill was being used as an expansion of metropolitan areas that were of high value in natural and cultural resources, giving the example of lands near Pyramid Lake, calling then lands of highly cultural value. Member Zuber also expressed concern that county resources to manage those lands were not present. Vice Chairperson Martin received confirmation from Member Zuber that he wished to see the acquired lands identified as regional parks and “things that counties do”, adding that managing large lands was not something counties did. Member Yanuck expressed concern that managing large properties would be a huge burden on Washoe County. Vice Chair Martin noted that he was not capable of making a decision since the item did not include “the scope, the magnitude, or the management strategy” regarding the expansion. Member Zuber noted his objection to the expansion; however, he was willing to forgo a motion. Chairperson Boehmer suggested that Member Yanuck, who would be representing this Board at the upcoming Commission meeting, relay this discussion and the opposition presented by Members Yanuck and Zuber. No motion was introduced.

11. For Possible Action: REVIEW OF LEGISLATIVE TRACKING LIST. *The CCABMW will review, discuss, and possibly take a position on current pending legislative bills or bill draft requests.*

(5:01:28) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and referred to the support materials, incorporated into the record as late material. He also entertained Board comments and when none were forthcoming, he reviewed the list included in the agenda materials. Vice Chair Martin thanked the Chair for “a really good summary”. Based upon what he had read in the agenda materials and the Chair’s review, he wished to take action.

(5:21:15) – MOTION: “I move to support the recommendations of the Legislative Committee pursuant to the bills that they have reviewed to date.”

PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:21:57) – Mr. Baily noted his support for SJR 11 as proposed.

(5:22:23) – Fred Voltz disagreed with three bills. He believed that members from the Tourism Board would be “a very positive, progressive step” and was in support of AB 187. Mr. Voltz opposed SB 221 calling it “a propaganda campaign to advance a particular agenda”. He also called for the elimination of SJR 11 as it was not in the US Constitution as a right.

(5:23:55) – Chairperson Boehmer entertained additional comments, and when none were forthcoming, a vote.

RESULT:	APPROVED (5-0-0)
MOVER:	Martin
SECONDER:	Yanuck
AYES:	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	None
ABSENT:	None

12. For Possible Action: ASSIGNMENT OF CCABMW MEMBER(S) TO DEVELOP CARSON CITY’S FY 2018 BUDGET REQUEST, DUE MAY 1, 2017. *The CCABMW will review, discuss, and possibly take action to assign a member or members to develop the budget request.*

(5:24:22) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and Ms. Warren distributed copies of the budget request forms. Vice Chair Martin disclosed that he had received the email currently being distributed and had completed the budget. However, he had forwarded the filled-out form to the entire Board prior to the item being discussed in this meeting. Therefore, the Vice Chair stated that he would recuse himself from discussion and voting on the item. Mr. Yu thanked the Board for the “transparency in government that you are showing today” and stated that copies of said emails are available for the public to review. Chairperson Boehmer noted that a few errors that were discovered in the budget form by Member Yanuck had been relayed to the Commission.

(5:29:05) – MOTION: I move to assign Member Yanuck to complete the budget proposal for FY 2018 and present it at the next Board meeting on Monday, May 8, 2017.

(5:29:30) – Chairperson Boehmer also noted that he had received a budget extension from NDOW. There were no public comments.

RESULT:	APPROVED (4-0-1)
MOVER:	Boehmer
SECONDER:	Zuber
AYES:	Boehmer, Green, Yanuck, Zuber
NAYS:	None
ABSTENTIONS	Martin
ABSENT:	None

13. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENT(S) TO THE MARCH 24 AND 25, 2017 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING IN LAS VEGAS.

(5:30:58) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. Member Yanuck stated that he will attend the meeting.

14. Informational Item: NEXT CCABMW MEETING.

(5:31:38) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and noted that the next meeting of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners is scheduled for May 12 and 13, 2017 in Reno. Therefore, the next meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife will tentatively be scheduled for Monday, May 8, 2017. He also suggested starting the meeting at 4 p.m. Member Yanuck gave background on meeting times in the past and believed he may have a conflict at times, indicating that he preferred a later time. Vice Chair Martin noted that public agencies that present at CAB meetings “appreciate starting earlier”. Chair Boehmer echoed the Vice Chair’s comments as well, and noted that a later start time may occur when Member Yanuck has a conflict with another meeting.

15. Informational Item: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(5:40:06) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. Vice Chair Martin suggested agendaizing the Board’s participation in the Tri-County Wildlife Working Group. He also suggested adding the recurring item of Urban Wildlife Updates to the agenda. Mr. Voltz requested an update on the flood damage to the Rifle and Pistol Range. Member Green noted that the range was open due to damage cleanup efforts. Mr. Baily commented that he had heard Parks and Recreation Director Jennifer Budge speak about prioritizing repairs, and that the baseball fields were a high priority at the moment.

16. PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:44:56) – There were no public comments.

17. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT

(5:45:15) – Chairperson Boehmer adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

The minutes of the March 20, 2017 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved on this 19th day of June, 2017.

 ROB BOEHMER, Chair