

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife**  
**Monday August 7, 2017 ● 4:00 PM**  
**Community Center Sierra Room**  
**851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada**

**Board Members**

**Chair – Robert Boehmer**  
**Member – Gene Green**

**Vice Chair – Doug Martin**  
**Member – Gil Yanuck**

**Staff**

Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk

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**1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**

Chairperson Boehmer called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll was called. A quorum was present.

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
Robert Boehmer	Present	
Doug Martin	Present	
Gene Green	Present	
Gil Yanuck	Present	

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairperson Boehmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairperson Boehmer entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

**4. For Possible Action: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 19, 2017.**

**MOTION: I move to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2017 meeting as corrected.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (4-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Martin
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Yanuck
<b>AYES:</b>	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None

**5. For Possible Action: ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

**MOTION: I move to adopt the agenda as presented.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (4-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Martin
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Yanuck
<b>AYES:</b>	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None

**6. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES**

There were no disclosures by Board members.

**7. Informational Item: UPDATE AND ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CARSON CITY URBAN WILDLIFE COMMITTEE**

Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. Vice Chair Martin referenced communication he had received from the Carson City Parks and Recreation Department regarding the hiring of an AmeriCorps volunteer who, among other duties, will handle urban wildlife issues, and will attend a future meeting of this Board. Vice Chair Martin also referenced material provided by him and incorporated into the record, titled “Living with Nevada’s Urban Coyotes”, and announced a seminar held by the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) in Reno on August 14, 2017. He announced the eighth annual wood duck event, flyer incorporated into the record, in Fallon on August 19, 2017. Vice Chair Martin also advised the public to be cautious of the urban deer in Carson City. Member Green noted that the deer are not just on the west side of the City, adding that they are in the Arrowhead Drive area as well.

Chairperson Boehmer cited several deer sighting near his home and another near the Lompa Lane area. He also referenced coyote signs provided by the City and urged the public to be careful. Member Yanuck reported that he had looked into the bear incidents near Carson Tahoe Health and explained that the hospital’s vice president of operations had looked into the trash container issue and noted that the trash containers had been locked, and as a result, no incidents had been reported since.

**8. Informational Item: REPORT ON ASH CANYON ACCESS TO HOBART RESERVOIR.**

Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and stated that he had received a report from Carson City Open Space Administrator Ann Bollinger who had indicated that “nothing had changed” regarding Ash Canyon, and that “they are waiting for the FEMA process...to be able to get the funding and to make those repairs”.

NDOW Regional Outdoor Education Coordinator Dawn Baugh introduced herself and described two clinics she had held at Hobart Reservoir one of which transported disabled veterans via four-wheel drive vehicles, and the other was “a kids’ event”. She also stated that their website had been updated to notify users that the road had been closed and was only accessible via a keyed access. She clarified that “the Parks [Department] manages the road and we [NDOW] manage the water”, adding that the Parks and Recreation Department, working with FEMA, estimated the roads to open in the fall of 2018. Chairperson Boehmer entertained public comments.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

(4:22:47) – CK Baily praised Ms. Baugh calling her “a very good educator”. He also explained that the only way to reach Hobart Reservoir was by horse, bicycle, or on foot by hiking through Lakeview and Hobart Roads, which he believed left 89 percent of the fishing public out.

(4:28:51) – Kurt Zeilenga introduced himself as an avid fly fisherman who fishes at Hobart Reservoir when he can access it. He wished to see the road open as soon as possible and believed that the lake will not be stocked until access is available.

(4:30:25) – Vice Chair Martin noted that he “had heard enough from members of the public, and I know that other members of the public are also concerned about limited access this year”. He acknowledged that this Board could not take action to reopen the road; however, he believed that action should be taken in the future to encourage the opening of the road, since this item is informational only. He also believed that the “other access road” should be opened. Member Yanuck noted that when NDOW invites public help “to put fish in or take fish out”, many volunteer because they go in the NDOW trucks, adding that he has noticed many locks that belong to various agencies and did not know why the area was not open to the general public. Discussion ensued regarding the ownership of the road. Member Yanuck suggested bringing the item up at a future Board of Supervisors meeting for possible answers. Chairperson Boehmer believed it may be too late for this year; however, he was in favor of agendizing the item for the September meeting.

**9. 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/](http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Agenda/)). *The items agendized hereafter, as 9-A through 9-I, 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.*

(4:39:06) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. There were no requests to discuss any of the items on the consent agenda.

**(4:39:45) - MOTION: I move to accept all the items on the consent agenda labeled as 9-A through 9-H.**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED (4-0-0)</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Yanuck
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Green
<b>AYES:</b>	Boehmer, Martin, Green, Yanuck
<b>NAYS:</b>	None
<b>ABSTENTIONS</b>	None
<b>ABSENT:</b>	None

(4:40:03) – Chairperson Boehmer suggested that interested parties review the detailed supporting information on the items below which are available on the Commission’s website, adding that any concern could be petitioned to the Commission.

**9-A. For Possible Action: NEVADA AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES MANAGEMENT PLAN - FISHERIES DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR JON SJÖBERG AND WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST KAREN VARGAS.** *The Nevada Aquatic Invasive Species (“AIS”) Management Plan is intended*

to provide guidance to AIS control and prevention programs in the State of Nevada and enhance coordination and effectiveness of AIS control efforts, in Nevada and regionally, through establishment of an interagency Nevada AIS Working Group. The commission may take action to approve the final AIS Management Plan which will address any recommendations for modification of the draft AIS Management Plan from the Commission's June 23 and 24 meeting, and other comments received from the public. These changes will be presented during the August 11 and 12, 2017 Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting. The plan can be viewed online: [http://www.ndow.org/Public\\_Meetings/Commission/Agenda](http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Agenda).

**9-B. For Possible Action: COMMISSION POLICY 29, DRAFT ARBITRATION PROCESS FOR APPLICANTS DISSATISFIED WITH ELK INCENTIVE TAG AWARDS, FIRST READING - COMMISSIONER AND APRP COMMITTEE CHAIR DAVID McNINCH AND GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN F. WAKELING.** *The commission will have a first reading of Commission Policy 29, Draft Arbitration Process for Applicants Dissatisfied with Elk Incentive Tag Awards, and may take action to implement the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.*

**9-C. For Possible Action: COMMISSION POLICY 63, PROTECTING WILDLIFE FROM TOXIC PONDS, FIRST READING - COMMISSIONER AND APRP COMMITTEE CHAIR DAVID McNINCH AND HABITAT DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR ALAN JENNE.** *The Commission will have a first reading of Commission Policy 63, Protecting Wildlife from Toxic Ponds, and may take action to repeal or revise the policy. The Commission may advance the policy to a second reading for possible adoption at a future meeting.*

**9-D. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 470, MISCELLANEOUS PETITIONS, LCB FILE NO. R095-16 - COMMISSIONER AND APRP COMMITTEE CHAIR DAVID McNINCH.** *The commission will hold a workshop to consider amending Chapter 501 of the Nevada Administrative Code. The regulation was developed by the APRP Committee after several public meetings incorporating relevant suggestions from the public, legal counsel, the Department and the Committee. The amendments will simplify petition form requirements and the overall petition process. A workshop was held on November 18, 2016. The Commission had questions regarding the 30-day limit and the timing with Commission meetings, what initiates rule making, and the appeal process for a petitioner whose petition was denied. The regulation was referred back to the APRP committee for further discussion and resolution.*

**9-E. For Possible Action: COMMERCIAL REPTILE COLLECTION - WILDLIFE DIVERSITY ADMINISTRATOR JENNIFER NEWMARK.** *The Department will present the commission with background information regarding commercial collection of reptiles in Nevada, along with numerous potential alternatives for consideration. The commission may choose to provide direction to the Department regarding commercial collection of reptiles.*

**9-F. For Possible Action: BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT PUBLIC LAND PARCEL DISPOSAL - HABITAT DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR ALAN JENNE.** *The commission will receive comment on maps depicting lands identified by the Bureau of Land Management as potentially suitable for disposal in BLM's existing Resource Management Plans across various BLM districts in Northern Nevada. Critical habitat and important hunting areas will be identified as conflicts with any future land transfer proposals. The commission will review and finalize correspondence to provide its position on the land transfer / disposal proposals. (Maps can be viewed online at [http://www.ndow.org/Public\\_Meetings/Commission/Agenda](http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Commission/Agenda))*

**9-G. For Possible Action: MULE DEER MANAGEMENT - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN F. WAKELING AND WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST CODY SCHROEDER.** *The Department will provide an in-depth briefing concerning the processes used to monitor*

herds and derive quotas. The Department will share feedback received through a recent professional peer-review evaluation. The Department will provide a description of how scientific data is used to meet harvest objectives. The CCABMW may take action to provide comments and / or recommendations.

**9-H. For Possible Action: EVALUATION AND REVIEW OF THE LANDOWNER DEER AND ANTELOPE COMPENSATION TAG PROGRAM - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN F. WAKELING.** *The Department will provide an overview concerning the current Landowner Deer and Antelope Compensation Program, recent updates to statutes, share current practices, identify areas of necessary improvement, and provide a potential revision process for the Commission's consideration. The Commission may provide the Department with direction following consideration of this proposal.*

**10. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS AS PART OF THE AUGUST 11 AND 12, 2017 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.** *Other than those items listed under the CCABMW consent agenda (item 8 above), the remaining items on the attached August 11 and 12, 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.*

(4:40:51) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. No items were presented for discussion. There were no public comments.

**11. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENT(S) TO THE AUGUST 11 AND 12, 2017 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING IN MINDEN AND THE SEPTEMBER 22 AND 23, 2017 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING IN LAS VEGAS**

(4:41:48) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and noted that he had a conflict and would be unable to attend the August 11 and 12, 2017 meeting in Minden and recommended that Board members attend the County Advisory Board Workshop if they can, since Mule Deer management, and the evaluation and review of landowner tags were going to be discussed during the workshop. Members Yanuck and Green they would attend the meeting and the workshops, and Vice Chair Martin stated he would be there on Saturday.

(4:44:03) – Chairperson Boehmer noted that Member Yanuck would attend the September 22 and 23, 2017 Commission meeting, adding that no video conferencing will be offered for that meeting.

**12. Informational Item: NEXT CCABMW MEETING.**

(4:45:08) – Chairperson Boehmer indicated that since the next meeting of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners is scheduled for September 22 and 23, 2017 (in Las Vegas), the next meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife will be tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 18, 2017.

**13. Informational Item: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

(4:46:25) – Chairperson Boehmer entertained suggestions. Vice Chair Martin requested a discussion on access to Hobart Reservoir through Ash Canyon. Member Green believed the discussion may be too late for this year; however, he was concerned that the road will not be open until fall 2018.

**14. PUBLIC COMMENT**

(4:47:30) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. Mark Enders introduced himself as a wildlife biologist with NDOW in the Wildlife Diversity Division which is responsible for “managing the State’s non-consumptive wildlife resources”. Mr. Enders wished to make himself available to the Board and the public regarding item 9-G, pertaining to commercial reptile collection. Member Yanuck recounted a field trip during a Commission meeting to see unauthorized reptile traps, and was surprised by the worldwide commercialization of reptiles. Chairperson Boehmer noted that he agreed with the agenda item and that “it’s about time”. Both the Chair and Vice Chair expressed regret that they did not know Mr. Enders represented the Diversity Division, and did not call on him to speak earlier. Member Green was also disappointed by the amount of reptiles collected from Nevada and was pleased that the Commission will address the issue. Chairperson Boehmer thanked Mr. Enders.

(4:58:14) – Ms. Baugh noted that because of the closure this year, Hobart Reservoir will have much larger fish next year. She also invited instructors to assist with her programs and transport the children to the reservoir.

(4:59:02) – Fred Voltz wished to clarify some “misinformation going on regarding the hospital situation”, adding that as of a few days ago, the trash dumpsters were not locked. He was certain that locks on the enclosures versus the dumpsters were “not enough”. Mr. Voltz suggested having the AmeriCorps volunteers check the compliance of the commercial installations in the area. In response to a question by Member Yanuck, who noted that he had discussed the issue with the hospital’s vice president of operations, Mr. Voltz stated that cameras will not solve the problem. Member Green recounted past experiences indicating that video cameras will not solve the problem. Discussion ensued regarding other wildlife accessing the dumpsters. Chairperson Boehmer noted that he had discussed the issue with NDOW and Carson City Supervisor Karen Abowd who believed that Waste Management did not have locked containers as part of their contract with the City; however, she offered to discuss is with the Board of Supervisors.

**15. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT**

**(5:06:30) – Member Yanuck moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Green. The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.**

The minutes of the August 7, 2017 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

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ROB BOEHMER, Chair