

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (WAB)
Monday, March 6, 2023 • 5:30 PM
Community Center Bonanza Room
851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada 89701

Board Members

Chair – Daniel Thompson	Vice Chair – Corbett Fleming
Member – Robert Boehmer	Member – Kirk Stewart
Member – Tim Wilson	

Staff

Danielle Howard, Public Meetings Clerk

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

(5:30:25) – Chairperson Thompson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Daniel Thompson, Chair	Present	
Corbett Fleming, Vice Chair	Present	
Robert Boehmer	Present	
Kirk Stewart	Present	5:39 p.m.
Tim Wilson	Present	

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(5:30:38) – Led by Chairperson Thompson.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:31:00) – Chairperson Thompson entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – OCTOBER 31, 2022

(5:31:24) – Chairperson Thompson introduced the item and entertained a motion.

(3:31:38) – Member Boehmer moved to approve the minutes from the October 31, 2022 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Member Wilson and carried 4-0-0.

5. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: UPDATE AND ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CARSON CITY URBAN WILDLIFE COMMITTEE.

(5:31:57) – Chairperson Thompson introduced the item. Member Boehmer stated that he had contacted the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW), as NDOW had appointed a new Urban Wildlife Coordinator for Northern Nevada, and Member Boehmer discussed having a week or a month dedicated to promoting education and communication about the City's urban wildlife. He noted that the Urban Wildlife Coordinator was "all for it" and would review previous urban wildlife campaigns. Additionally, the Urban Wildlife Coordinator's idea was to develop a weeklong worth of webinars to engage members of the public that would also be promoted in Carson City. Member Boehmer briefly informed Mayor Lori Bagwell about the proposed urban wildlife campaign, and if Mayor Bagwell was in favor of the campaign, Member Boehmer would develop a presentation to present to the Carson City Board of Supervisors (BOS) for the purpose of issuing a formal declaration to recognize a week or a month for urban wildlife. He mentioned that there were songbirds in Nevada that typically travel through the area; however, those songbirds had been lingering in Nevada, which provided some "great" birding opportunities. Member Boehmer also had the opportunity to participate in the Sheep Show Youth Experience, which was a coordination effort with the Sheep Show in Reno, and Member Boehmer was assigned to teach duck calling to those participating in the event. He commented that the Sheep Show Youth Experience was "a lot of fun," and approximately over 1,000 duck calls were distributed to participants. Member Boehmer was also asked to return to the Sheep Show Youth Experience along with any other WAB Members he wished to invite to the event. Another Sheep Show Youth Experience event would take place at the Capitol City Gun Club during the summer of 2023.

(5:36:16) – Chairperson Thompson added that the local deer may appear to be struggling due to the current weather conditions; however, it was important to not try to feed the deer, as their stomachs adjust to the time of year, and grasses or hay could cause health problems or death for the deer. He also mentioned that, based on a discussion with NDOW Wildlife Biologist Carl Lackey, three mountain lions had been "chased off" from two "kill sites" in the Timberline area, and there had not been reports of any other mountain lion sightings in the area since those occurrences.

6. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR ON JANUARY 27 AND 28, 2023 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS' MEETING.

(5:37:36) – Chairperson Thompson introduced the item. Gene Green introduced himself and reported on the January 27 and 28, 2023 Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' meeting.

7. REPORTS – INFORMATIONAL

(5:41:49) – Chairperson Thompson introduced the item and entertained Member input on each of the reports. No Member input was forthcoming.

7-A. DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT - At its March 10, 2023 meeting, a report will be provided on Nevada Department of Wildlife activities. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.

7-B. LITIGATION REPORT - At its March 10, 2023 meeting, a Deputy Attorney General will present a litigation report on the Nevada Department of Wildlife litigation. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment on the litigation

7-C. WILDLIFE DAMAGE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT - At its March 10, 2023 meeting, a report will be provided on the recent Wildlife Damage Management Committee Meeting. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.

7-D. REGULATION SIMPLIFICATION COMMITTEE REPORT - At its March 10, 2023 meeting, a report will provide clarification on the Governor's Executive Order 2023-003 pertaining to all boards and commissions in the state and how it pertains to the Department. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.

7-E. DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2024 PREDATION MANAGEMENT PLAN - At its March 10, 2023 meeting, the draft Fiscal Year 2024 Predation Management Plan will be presented to the Commission for review. A report from the Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (PARC) Meeting, held on February 2nd will be shared with the Commission. All comments from the Commission, PARC, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and any other interested publics will be compiled and shared with the Wildlife Damage Management Committee (WDMC) for their consideration at the March 2023 meeting. One new proposed Mule Deer Enhancement Program Project 47 will be considered for inclusion in the Draft Fiscal Year 2024 Predation Management Plan

7-F WILDLIFE HERITAGE GRANTS MANUAL – At its March 10, 2023 meeting, the Commission will review recommendations made by the Heritage Committee to cap principal balance projects at 50% of the available balance per year. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.

7-G PATHWAYS TO RELEVANCY PROJECT – At its March 10, 2023 meeting, a presentation on NDOW's Pathways to Relevancy Project consisting of a brief project overview and synopsis of the statewide survey results. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.

7-H LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT – At its March 11, 2023 meeting, a report will be provided on the recent Legislative Committee meeting. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment.

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

The items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and may be acted upon by the Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife with one action and without extensive hearing. A member of the advisory board may request an item be pulled for separate discussion and action, but the advisory board chair retains discretion in deciding whether to pull an item from the consent agenda. (For additional information on

the items to be considered within this action item, please visit the Nevada Department of Wildlife website at: http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Com/Agenda/ under agenda and corresponding support material).

(5:44:03) – Chairperson Thompson introduced the item.

(5:48:05) – In addition to pulling items 8-A and 8-B, Member Boehmer wished to pull items 8-E and 8-F from the Consent Agenda.

(5:48:36) – Member Boehmer moved to accept Consent Agenda items 8-C and 8-D. The motion was seconded by Member Thompson and carried 5-0-0.

8-A. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ELECT A CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR FOR THE CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE FOR THE 2023 CALENDAR YEAR.

(5:44:50) – Chairperson Thompson introduced the item and entertained nominations.

(5:45:06) – Member Boehmer moved to nominate Corbett Fleming to the position of WAB Chair. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Thompson and carried 5-0-0.

(5:45:16) – Chairperson Thompson moved to nominate Tim Wilson to the position of WAB Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Member Boehmer and carried 5-0-0.

8-B. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CHANGE THE CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MEETING DAY FROM MONDAY AT 5:30PM TO TUESDAY AT 5:30PM. A recommendation was made to change the meeting day from Monday at 5:30pm to Tuesday at 5:30pm for all future Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meetings to accommodate the members and public who wish to attend.

(5:46:17) – Chairperson Fleming introduced the item, entertained Member input, and entertained a motion to change the meeting day from Monday to Tuesday.

(5:47:28) – Member Thompson moved to change the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife meeting day to Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Member Stewart and carried 5-0-0.

8-C. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION POLICY 23 – PREDATION MANAGEMENT – THIRD READING. At its March 10, 2023 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will have a third reading of Commission Policy 23 and may make any necessary changes and may decide to repeal, revise, or adopt the policy.

8-D. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 506, POSSESSION OF GOLDEN EAGLES UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES. *At its March 10, 2023 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will hold a second workshop to consider amending Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 503 to allow for possession of a golden eagle under certain circumstances.*

8-E. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 23-13, 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 – 2023 – 2024 SEASON. *At its March 11, 2023 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider recommendations for seasons, bag limits and special regulations for migratory game birds for the 2023-2024 season and adopt regulations consistent with proposed regulations framework for the 2023-2024 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 Management Areas and designated state lands.*

(5:49:30) – Chairperson Fleming introduced the item, and Member Boehmer and Member Thompson referenced the accompanying Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting agenda materials.

(5:57:12) – Member Boehmer moved to support agenda item 8-E in regard to the seasons for migratory game birds as proposed by NDOW. The motion was seconded by Member Thompson and carried 5-0-0.

8-F. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 23-04 AMENDMENT 1, 2023-2024 AND 2024-2025 BIG GAME SEASONS. *At its March 11, 2023 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider and may take action to approve the 2023-2024 and 2024- 2025 emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quota.*

(5:57:35) – Chairperson Fleming introduced the item. Member Boehmer referenced the accompanying Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioner meeting agenda materials.

(5:59:50) – Member Boehmer moved to support agenda item 8-F as proposed by NDOW. The motion was seconded by Member Stewart and carried 5-0-0.

***** END OF CONSENT AGENDA *****

9. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENT(S) TO THE MARCH 10 AND 11, 2023 MEETING AND APRIL 11, 2023 MEETING.

(6:00:12) – Chairperson Fleming introduced the item. Member Thompson indicated that he would attend the March 10, 2023 meeting virtually, and Vice Chairperson Wilson stated that he would attend the April 11, 2023 meeting.

10. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(6:05:39) – Chairperson Fleming entertained suggestions for future agenda items. The Members discussed when the budget materials would need to be completed.

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:07:51) – Chairperson Fleming entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

12. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADJOURNMENT

(6:09.:05) – Chairperson Fleming adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

The minutes of the March 6, 2023 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved on this 2nd day of May 2023.