A regular meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife was scheduled for Monday, November 26, 2001 in the City Hall Capitol Conference Room, 201 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

**PRESENT:** Chairperson Norman Pedersen
Vice Chairperson Greg Davis
Steve Walker
Gilbert Yanuck

**STAFF:** Steve Kastens, Parks and Recreation Director
Kathleen King, Recording Secretary

**NOTE:** Unless indicated otherwise, each item was introduced by Chairperson Pedersen. A tape recording of these proceedings is on file in the Clerk-Recorder's Office and is available for review and inspection during regular business hours.

**1. CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM** (1-0001) - Chairperson Pedersen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Chairperson Pedersen welcomed the citizens in attendance and the newest Board member, Gil Yanuck.

**2. ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES - OCTOBER 15, 2001** (1-0025) - Vice Chairperson Davis moved to accept the minutes. Member Yanuck seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

**3. MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA** (1-0040) - Chairperson Pedersen modified the agenda to address item 10 prior to item 6.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS** - None.

**5. DISCLOSURES** - None.

**6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING AN APPRECIATION GIFT FOR LARRY BLANK** (1-0675) - Chairperson Pedersen provided background information on this item for the benefit of the citizens present. Vice Chairperson Davis suggested providing Larry Blank with an engraved knife at the December 13th special meeting, and the Board members concurred. (1-0735) Chairperson Pedersen volunteered to purchase the knife and have it engraved. He advised that the December 13th meeting is scheduled at 7:00 p.m. in the Capitol Conference Room.

**7. INTERVIEW APPLICANTS TO FILL CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE VACANCY** (1-0779) - Chairperson Pedersen referred to the applications included in the agenda materials and noted the two applicants present at the meeting. Member Walker explained the interview process.

(1-0820) Bill Allyn responded to questions regarding his involvement in volunteer activities in Carson City; his experience; interest in wildlife and in serving on the Board; position on predator management; availability to attend Board and Commission meetings; the differences in issues between Nye County and Carson City; and national and state organizations to which he belongs. He provided background information on his residence in Nevada and his career, and acknowledged that he would have no problem fairly representing the citizens of Carson City. In response to a question, he discussed his current employment obligations and advised that there would be no conflict in attending Board and Commission meetings. Chairperson Pedersen explained the appointment process. Mr. Allyn indicated that he would continue to support the Advisory Board and attend meetings whether or not he is appointed.

(1-1058) Wes Clyde responded to questions regarding his interest in serving on the Board; potential contributions to the Board; availability to travel to State Commission meetings; position on predator management; how he would accomplish contributions to the Board; his involvement in community and national organizations; and wildlife issues in which he is interested. He acknowledged that he would continue to support the Advisory Board whether or not he is appointed. In response to a question, Member Walker and Chairperson Pedersen explained the process for filling an unexpired term. Mr. Clyde responded to additional questions regarding how he would handle possible conflicts of interest between the Ormsby Sportsmen's Association and the Advisory Board. Chairperson Pedersen thanked Mr. Clyde for his interest and advised him of the appointment process.

Chairperson Pedersen noted that neither Gale Dupree nor Andrew Chaffey were present to be interviewed. He solicited comments from the Board members with regard to these two applicants. Vice Chairperson Davis noted that Mr. Dupree had submitted an application for the last vacancy but had not appeared for the interview. He pointed out that the Advisory Board is always willing to accommodate applicants' schedules if asked to do so. He expressed the opinion that an applicant who does not appear for his or her interview should not be considered. Member Walker noted the extensive number of organizations to which Mr. Dupree belongs and commended him on his volunteer work. He commended Mr. Chaffey for submitting an application, but indicated that he would have liked to interview him.

**8. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AN APPOINTMENT TO THE CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE** (1-1480) - Extensive discussion took place regarding the qualifications of both Mr. Allyn and Mr. Clyde. **Member Walker moved that the Board recommend to the Board of Supervisors the appointment of Bill Allyn as a first choice and Wes Clyde as a second choice. Member Yanuck seconded the motion.** Mr. Budden, Mr. Baily, and Mr. Parry expressed agreement with the Board's recommendation. Chairperson Pedersen called for a vote on the pending motion; **motion carried 4-0.**

Chairperson Pedersen advised the applicants of the Board's decision, and the Board members commented on the difficulty in arriving at the decision due to the applicants' excellent qualifications. Chairperson Pedersen thanked Mr. Allyn and Mr. Clyde and advised them of their opportunity to appear before the Board of Supervisors at the time the recommendation is presented for action.

Mr. Clyde expressed appreciation for the opportunity to interview, and concurred with the Board's choice. Member Walker indicated that the Board members look forward to Mr. Clyde's continued attendance and participation. Mr. Allyn thanked the Board for the opportunity. [Chairperson Pedersen recessed the meeting at 8:50 p.m. and reconvened the meeting at 8:57 p.m.]

**9. DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO ELECT A NEW CCABMW SECRETARY** (1-2202) - At the request of Member Yanuck, Chairperson Pedersen reviewed the secretary's responsibilities. **Member Walker nominated Member Yanuck as secretary. Vice Chairperson Davis seconded the nomination.**

In response to a question, Member Yanuck indicated he "would be honored" to serve as the secretary. Discussion took place regarding the records kept by Dr. Blank, and Vice Chairperson Davis advised that when Dr. Blank took over the position, he organized the records and drafted a job description. Chairperson Pedersen called for a vote on the pending nomination; **nomination carried 3-0-1, Member Yanuck abstaining.**

**10. REVIEW, DISCUSSION, AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RECENT FISH PLANTING AT THE ROSS GOLD URBAN FISHERY** (1-0060) - Chairperson Pedersen displayed newspaper articles with regard to this matter, and advised of the meeting scheduled by Mr. Kastens to discuss the issues with those concerned. Vice Chairperson Davis commented that the meeting probably should have taken place earlier, and advised of those who had attended. He indicated that the meeting resulted in a good understanding, between all parties concerned, of the actions which are to take place prior to the next fish plant. He provided an overview of the discussion which took place during the meeting, including the possibility of draining the pond, dissolved oxygen levels, the possibility of an aeration system, and the fact that fish die for no apparent reason. An estimated 100 out of the 500 fish died following the last plant. Vice Chairperson Davis indicated that additional meetings need to take place to establish a plan prior to the next plant. He advised of additional discussion regarding postponing the fall plant because of increased ammonia levels during that time of year. He reiterated that the meeting was productive and well received by all involved, and suggested that additional meetings will result in more successful plants. In response to a question, Vice Chairperson Davis advised that several ideas were proposed including draining the pond prior to the next plant, refilling it with fresh water, and testing for ammonia and dissolved oxygen. (1-0190) Norm Budden advised of discussions with regard to rounding up and transplanting the domestic ducks and geese. Discussion took place with regard to the same.

Member Walker referred to the newspaper editorial, and suggested that it may have been unnecessary if the author had attended some of the Board meetings. He advised of distributing excerpts of the September and October Board minutes to those in attendance at the meeting and provided an overview of the same. He indicated that the meeting resulted in a good understanding of the interconnectedness between the Board, the government agencies, and the citizens. He expressed a preference for draining the pond, cleaning it up, refilling it, and planting fish shortly thereafter. He discussed the plan for transplanting the domestic ducks and geese. (1-0292) Mr. Budden advised of the suggestion to drain the pond into water trucks rather than down the street. Vice Chairperson Davis advised that Mr. Fahrenbruch indicated the last time the pond was drained, left dry for three months, and refilled, the water was "crystal clear" for several months afterward. The goal is for the fish to survive and be fished out in a month. In response to a question, Member Walker advised that Patrick Sollberger, of NDOW, indicated that only trout will be planted in the pond. In response to a question, Vice Chairperson Davis advised that Mr. Kastens will draft a proposal and submit it for review and approval by the Board prior to the next plant.

(1-0360) Bill Allyn discussed the annual kids' fishing derby sponsored by the Tonopah Rotary Club, and suggested that a similar event could be done at the Ross Gold Pond.

Discussion took place regarding the differences between the species of fish planted this year and last year, Mr. Sollberger's preference for planting only in the spring, and the purpose of the fishery. Vice Chairperson Davis pointed out that some fish will die in every plant for various reasons, and that everyone involved needs to understand the risks inherent in the process. Mr. Budden agreed with doing everything possible to minimize or eliminate the chances of fish dying.

In response to a question, Mr. Kastens advised that he and Parks Superintendent Scott Fahrenbruch will draft a plan for review by the Board. He indicated that he would volunteer City staff to accomplish some of the tasks and will be looking for assistance from various interested individuals and groups. He advised that another meeting will be scheduled during the first part of January. Discussion took place with regard to draining the pond, and Chairperson Pedersen thanked Mr. Kastens for his attendance and participation. Mr. Kastens acknowledged that the draft plan will be available prior to the next regular Board meeting.

**11. DISCUSSION OF POINTS OF INTEREST FROM THE OCTOBER 19 AND 20, 2001 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING** (1-2430) - Chairperson Pedersen referred the Board members to the minutes of the Wildlife Commission meeting included in the Commission agenda materials. He advised of attending the Commission meeting, and discussed the decision of the Commission regarding the petition submitted by Bill Krueger. He provided an overview of the decisions of the Commission with regard to issues reviewed by the Board. He advised the citizens in attendance that the Commission meetings are open to the public, and encouraged Mr. Clyde to send an OSA representative. Member Walker read a portion of the Commission meeting minutes regarding Mr. Krueger's petition into the record, and discussed the importance of citizen involvement at the Commission level. Chairperson Pedersen and Member Walker responded to questions regarding items addressed at the Commission meeting, and read portions of the Commission minutes into the record.

**12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NOVEMBER 30/DECEMBER 1, 2001 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING:**

**A. COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 297 - CRAIG MORTIMORE** (1-2941) - Chairperson Pedersen indicated that the subject amendment generally addresses revisions to the existing language. He provided an overview of the regulation, and discussion took place with regard to the same. **Member Yanuck moved that the CCABMW support Regulation 297. Member Walker seconded the motion.** Bob Parry discussed the procedure used in the State of Colorado. Chairperson Pedersen called for a vote on the pending motion; **motion carried 4-0.**

**B. COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 298 (LCB FILE NO. 133-01) - STEVE BREMER** (1-3169) - Chairperson Pedersen provided an overview of this item. Member Yanuck commented on the $5 million owed to the Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety as a result of bad checks. He suggested that NDOW will have as difficult a time collecting bad check fees, and discussed the tag application procedure. Discussion took place with regard to the time frame between applying for and receiving a tag, the credit card transaction processing fee, and the big game application PIN. The Board expressed support for this regulation. No formal action was taken.

**C. LICENSE AGENT APPEAL - RONDA MOORE** (1-3450) - The Board members noted that there was no information with regard to this item included in the Commission agenda materials. No formal action was taken.

**D. APPLICATION HUNT SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS/MODIFICATIONS - STEVE BREMER** (1-3520) - Discussion took place with regard to this item, and Member Yanuck noted that there was no information included in the Commission agenda materials. Vice Chairperson Davis suggested that information would most likely be provided at the Commission meeting. No formal action was taken.

**E. PRONGHORN ANTELOPE SPECIES MANAGEMENT PLAN - CHAIRMAN MORAN** (1-3566) - Chairperson Pedersen referred to the Bighorn Sheep Management Plan and discussed the Board's request that a periodic review process be included. He advised of having requested, at the last Commission meeting, that the periodic review process be applied to all species management plans. No formal action was taken.

**F. COMMISSION POLICY #1, GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR THE COMMISSION - SECRETARY CRAWFORTH** (1-3671) - Vice Chairperson Davis moved to support this policy. Member Yanuck seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

**G. COMMISSION POLICY #62, MITIGATION POLICY - DOUG HUNT** (1-3703) - Member Yanuck moved to support this policy. Member Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

**13. REVIEW, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING CCABMW AGENDA POSTING AND NOTICING PROCEDURES** (2-0006) - Ms. King provided information on the recent cost increase for publishing meeting notices in the Nevada *Appeal*. She referred to the agenda distribution list included in the agenda materials, and reviewed the five City government agency locations at which the agenda is currently posted. In addition, the agenda will be posted to the City's website beginning January 2002. She requested, on behalf of Clerk-Recorder Alan Glover, that the Board discontinue publishing its agenda in the newspaper due to the cost. Vice Chairperson Davis advised that the date, time and location of the meetings can be published free in the Calendar of Events section of the paper. He acknowledged that he would provide the name of a contact person at the Nevada *Appeal*. Mr. Budden advised that Don Quilici has expressed a willingness to publish the meeting dates in his weekly newspaper article, and announce the meetings on his television program. Ms. King agreed to provide meeting information to Mr. Quilici. Consensus of the Board was to accept Vice Chairperson Davis' suggestion to publish notice of the meetings in the Calendar of Events section of the Nevada *Appeal*, continue sending the agendas to the individuals and businesses on the distribution list, and to publish the agenda on the City's website. No formal action was taken.

**14. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DESIGNATION OF CCABMW REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND THE NOVEMBER 30/DECEMBER 1, 2001 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING IN RENO** (2-0398) - Vice Chairperson Davis advised he would attend both days of the meeting. Chairperson Pedersen indicated that other Board members may be in attendance as well. Vice Chairperson Davis acknowledged that he would submit a request for travel reimbursement. No formal action was taken.

**15. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DESIGNATION OF CCABMW REPRESENTATIVE TO ATTEND THE NOVEMBER 28, 2001 GOVERNOR'S SAGE GROUSE CONSERVATION MEETING IN WINNEMUCCA** (2-0250) - Chairperson Pedersen provided background information on this matter and read a request by Mayor Masayko into the record. He inquired as to whether any of the Board members could attend the meeting, and discussion took place with regard to the same. Chairperson Pedersen advised that travel expenses will be covered by the Mayor's budget. Additional discussion took place regarding the agenda, the purpose for sending a representative, and Chairperson Pedersen read a memorandum from Governor Guinn's office into the record. Member Yanuck volunteered to attend the meeting. No formal action was taken.

**16. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PROCEDURE FOR RECOGNITION OF FORMER BOARD MEMBERS** (1-0720) - Chairperson Pedersen advised of a conversation with Commissioner Bill Bradley regarding funding appreciation gifts from the Board's budget. Commissioner Bradley indicated that appreciation gifts are not considered legitimate expenses and provided a suggestion for handling such expenses. Consensus of the Board members was to each contribute equally to the appreciation gifts. (2-0441) Chairperson Pedersen reiterated that he would purchase the knife for former member Larry Blank and have it engraved. He discussed the special recognition of Commissioner Chris MacKenzie which took place at the October Board meeting. No formal action was taken.

**17. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SCHEDULE NEXT CCABMW MEETING** (2-0510) - Discussion took place regarding the anticipated location of the Commission meeting, and Vice Chairperson Davis suggested that the information would be available at the November 30/December 1 Commission meeting. Member Walker suggested agendizing discussion and action regarding the next meeting date for the December 13th meeting. No formal action was taken.

**18. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND DISCUSSION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (2-0488) - Chairperson Pedersen advised of Mayor Masayko's commendation and appreciation of the Board. (2-0568) Member Walker suggested agendizing a report from Parks and Recreation Department staff regarding the Ross Gold Park Urban Fishery for the next regular meeting.

**19. ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT** (2-0604) - Member Yanuck moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:30 p.m. Member Walker seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

The Minutes of the November 26, 2001 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are so approved this _____ day of January, 2002.

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NORMAN W. PEDERSEN, Chairperson