

**CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE**  
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A regular meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife was scheduled for 5:30 p.m. on Monday, August 6, 2012, in the Business Resource Innovation Center (BRIC), 108 East Proctor Street, Room A, Carson City, Nevada.

**Present:** Chairman Gil Yanuck  
Vice Chairman Stan Zuber  
Member Doug Martin

**Staff:** Tamar Warren, Recording Secretary

**NOTE:** A recording of these proceedings, the Board's agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the recording secretary during the meeting are public record. These materials are on file in the Clerk's Office and are available for review during regular business hours.

1. **CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM.** (5:35:37) – Chairman Yanuck called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. A quorum was present. Members Davis and Valley were absent.
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (5:36:08) – Chairman Yanuck entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.
3. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES** (5:36:35) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item. **Vice Chairman Zuber moved to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2012 and June 18, 2012 meetings. The motion was seconded by Member Martin. Motion carried 3-0.**
4. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.** (5:38:00) – There were no changes to the agenda.
5. **INFORMATIONAL ITEM: DISCLOSURES.** (5:38:15) – there were no disclosures by Board Members.
6. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING DRAFT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR ADVISORY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, AND COMMITTEES.** (5:38:45) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item and noted that while the Board of Supervisors (BOS) was trying to implement “a great concept”, he would attend a future BOS meeting to explain that “not all boards and commissions are created equal”. He added that the new policies and procedures would make it difficult for the Wildlife Advisory Board as they had an obligation to attend Wildlife Commission meetings all over the state and on weekends, beginning on Fridays, when most members worked. Chairman Yanuck wished the BOS to be aware of how this Board operated. Discussion ensued regarding the proposed regulation that limited committee chairs from serving consecutive terms. Member Martin noted that he had discussed these changes with the City Manager's office and informed the Board that this was a work-in-progress, and that the City Manager welcomed any suggestions. Discussion ensued and it was agreed to submit two recommendations to the City Manager's office regarding boards that did not have a large applicant pool, and that consecutive chairmanships be determined by the individual boards. Member Martin also noted that this item would be discussed again by the BOS in September, after another revision. **Member Martin moved to recommend to the City Manager's office to allow the Wildlife Advisory Board to consider reappointing incumbent members due to the small number of applicants to the Board, and to allow consecutive chairmanship to be determined by individual boards. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Zuber. Motion carried 3-0.**
7. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TRI-COUNTY DEER HERD RESTORATION WORKING GROUP.** (5:55:17) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item. Member Martin explained that a meeting was scheduled prior to the next Advisory Board meeting to discuss a joint priority list of wildlife issues between the three groups. He also reminded the Board that moving forward, the group would be called the Tri-County Wildlife Restoration Group.
8. **INFORMATIONAL ITEM: REPORT AND DISCUSSION OF POINTS OF INTEREST FROM THE JUNE 22 AND 23, 2012 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING.** (5:56:08) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item.

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He briefed the Board on the discussions taken place during the past Wildlife Commission Meeting. He stated that regarding a discussion during the last meeting about levying fees on certain vessels, the only exemption would be for vessels that do not retain water. He noted that canoes and kayaks retain water, therefore they would not be exempt from fees. Discussion ensued regarding enforcement. Chairman Yanuck also explained that the Heritage Grant process had been streamlined, and that the trapping regulations were still being revised to accommodate certain unique regulations in certain parts of Clark County. Chairman Yanuck stated that the Sage Grouse Committee recommendation had been presented by Secretary Ken Mayer.

**9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: DISCUSSION REGARDING INFORMATIONAL REPORTS TO BE PRESENTED AT THE AUGUST 10 AND 11, 2012 WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING.** (6:04:54) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item and suggested addressing the issues during the Consent Agenda section.

**9-A. TRAPPING COMMITTEE - COMMISSIONER McNINCH.**

**9-B. SHED ANTLER PRESENTATION - CHIEF GAME WARDEN BUONAMICI.**

**9-C. FALCONRY STATUS UPDATE - CHIEF OF WILDLIFE DIVERSITY LAURA RICHARDS.**

**9-D. GOVERNOR'S SAGE GROUSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATE - COMMISSIONER ROBB.**

**9-E. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE - SECRETARY KEN MAYER AND COMMISSIONER McBEATH.**

**9-F. WILDLIFE DISEASE UPDATE - WILDLIFE HEALTH SPECIALIST PEREGRINE WOLFF, DVM AND J.J. GOICOECHEA, DVM.**

**9-G. WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF FISH AND WILDLIFE AGENCIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE - COMMISSIONERS ROBB AND McNINCH AND SECRETARY KEN MAYER.**

**9-H. WILD HORSE UPDATE - CHIEF OF HABITAT ELMER BULL.**

**9-I. WILDFIRE UPDATE - CHIEF OF HABITAT ELMER BULL.**

**9-J. LITIGATION REPORT - SENIOR DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL NHU NGUYEN.**

**9-K. NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS - CHAIRMAN.**

**10. ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE CONSENT AGENDA.** (6:05:05) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item. Member Martin moved the accept the consent agenda as is, with the exception of item 10C. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Zuber. Motion carried 3-0.

**10-A. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: AMENDED UPLAND GAME STAMP FUNDING REQUEST - EASTERN REGION BIOLOGIST ALAN JENNE.**

**10-B. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE FISCAL YEAR 2014 - 2015 BIENNIAL BUDGET REQUEST - DEPUTY DIRECTOR PATRICK CATES.**

**10-C. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: COMMISSION REGULATION 12 - 07; SEASONS, BAG LIMITS, AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR MIGRATORY WATERFOWL - WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST RUSSELL WOOLSTENHULME, CHIEF OF HABITAT ELMER BULL.** (6:06:01) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item. Member Martin noted that three zones outlined in the regulation had three-day youth hunts, one with a split season, which in one case resulted in the waterfowl season closing early, and on a Friday, causing some hunters to get

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upset. He proposed having the youth hunt on Thursday and Friday and starting the regular hunt on a Saturday and closing it on a Sunday, which had been proposed by the Washoe County Wildlife Advisory Board. He also suggested endorsing the first snow goose hunt, explaining that Chief of Habitat Elmer Bull had counted between 35,000 and 40,000 snow geese in Carson Lakes during the proposed period. Chairman Yanuck commented that it was “nice to see the Department and sportsmen working together, and listening to one another”. **Member Martin moved to have the Carson City Wildlife Advisory Board recommend adoption of the proposed regulations, with a suggested change of the closure dates to be November 1 and November 2, Thursday and Friday, instead of October 30 and 31, Monday and Tuesday. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairman Zuber.** Chairman Yanuck entertained public comment, and when none were forthcoming, a vote. **Motion carried 3-0.**

**11. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: REPORT ON NEVADA SAGE GROUSE CONSERVATION TEAM - GIL YANUCK.** (6:16:57) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item and noted that the recommendations by the Sage Grouse Advisory Committee, chaired by Mayor Crowell, “have been good”. He also stated that he had sent public comments to the team as a private citizen, acknowledging the Committee’s support of the original committee’s recommendations made in 2004. Chairman Yanuck also praised Secretary Mayor’s “good comments”. Member Martin explained that he had attended the second-to-last task force meeting and noted the “really good interface” among the various groups. He also noted that responsible grazing had resulted in responsible populations.

**12. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE BUDGET.** (6:30:08) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item, and announced that the budget had been adopted during the previous Commission meeting in Elko. He also added that each county had submitted its budget, using the software program provided to them.

**13. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENTS TO UPCOMING WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.** (6:31:28) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item. Member Martin noted that he would attend the Friday and Saturday sessions. Chairman Yanuck stated that he would attend the finance committee meeting on Thursday, unless he finds another committee member to present the finance report.

**14. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: DISCUSSION AND ACTION TO SCHEDULE NEXT CCABMW MEETING.** (6:33:14) – Chairman Yanuck introduced the item, and announced that the next meeting of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners is scheduled for September 21 and 22, 2012 in Las Vegas. Therefore, the next meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 17, 2012.

**15. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: STATUS REPORTS FROM STAFF** (6:37:01) – There were no reports from Staff.

**16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS** (6:37:12) – There were no suggestions for future agenda items.

**17. PUBLIC COMMENT** (6:37:53) – Chairman Yanuck entertained public comments. Kevin C.K. Baily, a Carson City resident, explained that the Baily Fishing Pond could not be stocked by the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) due to the high water temperature, similar to most bodies of water throughout the State. He also noted that Baily Pond has a rushing river underneath, therefore it would have water in the pond. He added that no natural fish kill had been observed. Mr. Baily cited several completed improvements such as a shade structure. He also reminded the Board that the Tom Brooks Memorial Kids Fishing Day would take place on September 15, 2012, and thanked Cal Ranch for providing fishing rods at wholesale prices. He also thanked the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation for providing an inflatable BB gun range, the Lions Club for a shuttle service from the Clear Creek Road parking area, and the Clear Creek Bowmen for archery lessons. Mr. Baily also thanked the Air National Guard, Jake Creamer of NDOW, and the Fire Chief of Carson City for the lending of a paramedic truck. In response to a question, Mr. Baily explained that illegally introduced fish, such as Koi, still presented a problem. Member Martin suggested inviting several other guests, including Assemblyman Pete Livermore for his encouragement of youth sports, and suggested a duck calling contest. Mr. Baily noted that Mayor Crowell was also participating.

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**18. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (6:52:55) – Chairman Yanuck suggested a motion. Vice Chairman Zuber moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Martin. The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.**

The minutes of the August 6, 2012 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2012.

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**GIL YANUCK, Chairman**