

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife
Monday August 3, 2015 ● 4:00 PM
Community Center Sierra Room
851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Board Members

Chair – Doug Martin

Vice Chair – Stan Zuber

Member – Robert Boehmer

Member – James Powell

Member – Gil Yanuck

Staff

Adriana Fralick, Chief Deputy District Attorney

Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (3:59:29) – Chairperson Martin called the meeting to order. Roll was called. A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Doug Martin	Present	
Stan Zuber	Present	
Robert Boehmer	Present	
James Powell	Present	
Gil Yanuck	Present	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

(3:59:59) – Fred Voltz introduced himself and expressed concern over agenda item 8C, noting that last year only 30 percent of trappers had submitted their surveys. Mr. Voltz encouraged this Board’s representative to inquire about the compliance and implications if questionnaires are not returned this year as well.

3. For Possible Action: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – JUNE 15, 2015.

(4:01:47) – MOTION: I move to accept the minutes of the June 15, 2015 as submitted.

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

4. For Possible Action: ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Chairperson Martin suggested discussing items 6 and 7 after item 9.

(4:02:50) – MOTION: I move to postpone discussion of items 6 and 7 after item 9.

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

5. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES (4:03:10) – None.

6. Informational Item: PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF A VIDEO ON THE MAISON ORTIZ OUTDOOR YOUTH CAMP.

(4:20:34) – Chairperson Martin introduced the item and gave a brief background. He also stated that he and Member Boehmer were staffers at the Maison Ortiz Outdoor Youth Camp, geared toward youth who have limited exposure to the outdoors. Member Boehmer added that the camp also provides wildlife education and conservation. The 2014 camp video may be viewed at <http://mtoyouthoutdoorskills.com>. Member Powell indicated that no tax dollars were used and the entire camp operated by private funds. Member Yanuck was informed that a selection committee chose the participants, and there were no economic or demographic criteria.

There were no public comments.

7. For Possible Action: UPDATE ON MULE DEER EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM.

(4:39:07) – Chairperson Martin introduced the item and noted that an educational brochure and video had been produced. He also shared a portion of a video produced by Member Boehmer and posted on the Carson City home page (www.carson.org) regarding the City’s urban deer population. Member Powell suggested writing a letter to the Nevada Appeal editor, or providing a guest commentary to increase awareness. Chairperson Martin entertained a motion to have Member Powell draft a letter for approval in the September meeting. Member Yanuck suggested additionally addressing the issue at the school levels. Member Powell suggested utilizing the City Manager’s Staff Meeting.

(4:51:55) – MOTION: I move to pursue an outreach meeting with the Carson City School Board regarding the distribution of the urban deer brochure and to conduct one-on-one meetings as needed. Additionally, I move to authorize Member Powell to draft a letter to be published in the Nevada Appeal, and to authorize Chairperson Martin to arrange a “cabinet level meeting” with various City departments and the City Manager to ensure success.

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

There were no public comments. Member Powell suggested “thinking about” wording on deer signage.

8. For Possible Action: NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS PROPOSED REGULATIONS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: *The items addressed hereunder 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.*

(4:03:22) – Chairperson Martin introduced the item and acknowledged the earlier public comment made by Mr. Voltz regarding item 8C.

(4:04:12) – **MOTION: I move to accept the consent agenda as is.**

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

8-A. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 16 - 01, MIGRATORY WATERFOWL AND WEBLESS BIRD SEASONS, BAG LIMITS, AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR WATERFOWL AND WEBLESS BIRDS, PUBLIC HUNTING LIMITED ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND DESIGNATED STATE LANDS, 2015 - 16 SEASON - WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST RUSSELL WOOLSTENHULME.

The commission will consider recommendations for seasons, bag limits, and special regulations for migratory waterfowl and webless game birds for the 2015 - 16 season, and adopt regulations that comply with the proposed regulatory framework for the 2015 - 16 late and early hunting seasons on certain migratory game birds established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The commission may also consider changes to rules regulating public hunting on wildlife management areas and designated state lands.

8-B. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 454, FIREARM CARRY DURING MUZZLELOADER AND ARCHERY HUNTS, LCB FILE NO. R007-15 - CHIEF GAME WARDEN TYLER TURNIPSEED.

The commission will consider permanent adoption of the temporary regulation which expires November 1, 2015, relating to carrying a firearm in the field while hunting under archery and muzzleloader regulations, including language changes from Assembly Bill 136 of the 78th Legislative Session. The regulation will change NAC 503.142 and 503.144 to allow carrying personal protection handguns while archery and muzzleloader hunting. The regulation was in response to input from sportsmen, and AB 136, sponsored by Nevada Assemblyman John Ellison, to allow carrying firearms while archery and muzzleloader hunting for protection from criminal activity and wildlife attacks. The temporary regulation was workshopped on November 14, 2014, and adopted on February 7, 2015 at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting. At the workshop, the commission discussed alternatives to handgun carry restrictions and the needs for archers to carry a handgun during

archery-only season. The language was updated to reflect the changes requested by the commission by allowing a person to carry any handgun that is not scoped and has a barrel length less than 8 inches. The language change clarified the type of handgun to be carried in the field during archery-only season. Further language changes were added as a result of AB 136 to also allow handgun carry during muzzleloader season.

8-C. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 455, TRAPPING QUESTIONNAIRE DEADLINE AND TRAPPING LICENSE VALID DATES, LCB FILE NO. R008-15 – MANAGEMENT ANALYST MAUREEN HULLINGER.

The commission will consider permanent adoption of the temporary regulation which expires November 1, 2015, relating to trapping questionnaires and trapping license valid periods. The regulation will add language to specify the valid period of a trapping license as July 1 through June 30. The regulation amendment will also update the trapping questionnaire deadline language, changing the deadline from April 30 to May 31, making it consistent with other Nevada Department of Wildlife (the “department”) questionnaire language. The amendment includes having the department be responsible, instead of the commission, for prohibiting the purchase of a subsequent trapping license, when a trapper fails to return a questionnaire. This amendment will allow the department to administer the trapping questionnaire processes effectively in regard to the trapping seasons as established by the commission, prohibiting sale of a trapping license until the previous year's questionnaire is provided. The regulation is intended to give trappers ample time to return their questionnaires but also provide an efficient license denial procedure if they fail to. The temporary regulation was discussed in a workshop session on November 14, 2014, and adopted on February 7, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting.

8-D. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 456, SPECIAL INCENTIVE ELK ARBITRATION PANEL, LB FILE NO. R030-15 - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN WAKELING.

The commission will consider permanent adoption of the temporary regulation which expires November 1, 2015, relating to amendment of NAC 502.42283, by which the commission may facilitate decisions by appointing or serving as the arbitration panel should arbitration of elk incentive tag awards become necessary; and other matters relating thereto. The temporary regulation was workshopped on March 20, 2015, and adopted on May 15, 2015 at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission meeting.

8-E. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 457, AWARDS, ISSUANCE, AND USE OF TAGS, LCB FILE NO. R031-15 - GAME DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR BRIAN WAKELING.

The commission will consider a permanent adoption of the temporary regulation which expires November 1, 2015, amending license issuance and use clarification for elk incentive tags. Elk incentive tags were designed to be issued in association with “bull” hunts and seasons. Subsequent to initial NRS and NAC adoption, “spike” hunts have been developed, and “antlered” tags do not clearly denote the appropriate quota or season for which the incentive tags are intended. The amended formula will account for the harvest of “spike” elk, but identify seasons for incentive tag use; and other matters relating thereto. The temporary regulation was workshopped on March 20, 2015 and adopted on May 15, 2015, at the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting.

9. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS OF THE AUGUST 7 AND 8, 2015 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

Other than items 8-A through 8-E, above, the remaining items on the attached August 7 and 8, 2015 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.

(4:05:14) – Chairperson Martin introduced the item and indicated that the Western Association Fish and Wildlife Agency (WAFLA) annual conference was held in Reno earlier and that he had heard “great feedback”. Member Boehmer reported on the conference which he had attended and noted that “everything went well”. Member Yanuck inquired about comments he had heard regarding the method of purchasing Dream Tag tickets to be confusing, and hoped that the issue would be clarified during the meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the “enhancement stamp” and its purpose.

There were no public comments.

(4:15:55) – MOTION: I move that we [the Board’s representative] request clarification of the [purpose of the] resource enhancement stamp.

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

10. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENTS TO UPCOMING WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.

(5:02:30) – Chairperson Martin explained that he would attend the Fallon Meeting on Friday, August 7, 2015; however, he had a conflict on the next day and could not attend. Member Boehmer suggested that Chairperson Martin make his comments on Friday regarding the one item of concern to be discussed on Saturday.

11. Informational Item: NEXT CCABMW MEETING.

(5:03:31) – Chairperson Martin announced that the next meeting of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners is scheduled for September 25 and 26, 2015 in Las Vegas and that Member Yanuck would represent the Board. The next meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife is, therefore, tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 21, 2015. He also noted that he would be out of town; therefore, Vice Chairperson Zuber would chair the meeting. It was also agreed to continue starting the meeting at 4 p.m.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(5:07:01) – Chairperson Martin advised the members to submit agenda suggestions to Vice Chairperson Zuber.

13. PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:07:40) – Mr. Voltz suggested holding all Commission meeting in Las Vegas, Elko, or Reno, and making them accessible to everyone via video conference in order to save on travel expenses.

14. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT

(5:10:09) – **Vice Chairperson Zuber moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Powell.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

The minutes of the August 3, 2015 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved this 21st day of September, 2015.

DOUG MARTIN, Chairman