MINUTES Regular Meeting Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife Monday, January 25, 2021 ● 4:30 PM Community Center Bonanza Room 851 East William Street, Carson City, Nevada

Board Members

Chair – Robert Boehmer Member – Corbett Fleming Member – Daniel Thompson Vice Chair – Kirk Stewart Member – Gene Green

<u>Staff</u>

Danielle Howard, Public Meetings Clerk

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

(4:33:19) – Chairperson Boehmer called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. Roll was called, and a quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Robert Boehmer, Chair	Present	
Kirk Stewart, Vice Chair	Present	
Corbett Fleming	Present	
Gene Green	Present	
Daniel Thompson	Present	

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

(4:34:56) – Led by Member Thompson.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:34:11) – Chairperson Boehmer entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming. He noted that there would be a second public comment item (item #17) toward the end of the meeting.

4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 2, 2020.

(4:35:35) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and entertained corrections or a motion.

(4:35:53) – Member Thompson moved to approve the November 2, 2020 meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Member Fleming. The motion carried 5-0-0.

5. 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 2021 CALENDAR YEAR.

(4:36:17) – Per Chairperson Boehmer's suggestion, this item was moved for discussion to the end of the meeting.

(5:40:20) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and referenced the Board's bylaws pertaining to the elections before entertaining nominations.

(5:42:28) – Chairperson Boehmer moved to nominate Gene Green to the position of WAB Chair. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Stewart. Member Green accepted the nomination, and Chairperson Boehmer called for a vote. The motion carried 5-0-0.

(5:46:02) – Member Fleming moved to nominate Daniel Thompson to the position of WAB Vice Chair. The motion was seconded by Chairperson Boehmer and carried 5-0-0.

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

(4:37:01) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and reported that bird watching was taking place at this time since many of the songbirds are in season. He mentioned that someone had reported seeing a male cardinal in Minden when cardinals are not typically seen in Nevada. He also stated that there have been several mule deer sightings in Carson City near the Nevada State Capitol Building as well as his own neighborhood.

7. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR ON THE NOVEMBER 6, 2020 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

(4:39:29) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and reported on the November 6, 2020 Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meeting, which was held remotely via Zoom.

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: <u>http://www.ndow.org/Public_Meetings/Com/Agenda/</u> under agenda and corresponding support material).

(4:42:00) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item, and he believed item 8-B should be pulled. There were no other requests to pull items from the Consent Agenda. Chairperson Boehmer entertained a motion.

(4:54:12) – Member Green moved to accept Consent Agenda items 8-A and 8-C through 8-L as presented. The motion was seconded by Member Thompson and carried 5-0-0.

8-A. FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO OFFER COMMENT TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING THE LITIGATION REPORT. At its January 29, 2021 meeting, the Deputy Attorney General presented to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners a status report on litigation, as an informational item. The CCCABMW may desire to offer public comment on the litigation.

8-B. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-03, 2021-2022 AND 2022-2023 BIG GAME SEASONS. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 hunting seasons and dates for mule deer, pronghorn antelope, elk, bighorn sheep, and mountain goat, including limits, hunting hours, special hunt eligibility, animal sex, physical characteristics, hunt boundary restrictions, and legal weapon requirements, and emergency depredation hunt structure and statewide quota.

(4:54:32) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and entertained Member discussion on the proposed changes to the big game hunting season sections and the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW) recommendations referenced for Commission Regulation 21-03, all of which are incorporated into the record. He noted that the NDOW recommended shortening the archery hunting season for antelope in units 041 through 042, and 043 through 046 by one week to allow for the muzzleloader hunt to run from August 15 through August 21 for residents and nonresidents, which "doesn't really make archers happy, of which I am one." He added that he has seen archery tags go unused in the past and there is more success in the muzzleloader hunts, and he would remain neutral on the matter. Member Thompson commented that the hunter going into the referenced units "knows what they're putting in for it," and he noted that the recommendation was to reduce the conflict and pressure on the animal. He was in favor of the recommended change and noted that the "biologists know best."

(5:02:02) – Chairperson Boehmer was in favor of the recommendation to add units 043-046 to the "horns shorter than ears" resident antelope section, and the Members noted that there was no concern with the recommendation.

(5:03:15) – Chairperson Boehmer commented that "the biology warrants depredation" regarding the proposed "antlered" and "antlerless" elk depredation hunts. The Members supported all of the Department's recommendations relating to elk.

(5:09:06) – The Members were in support of all of the recommendations relating to bighorn sheep.

(5:19:50) – Chairperson Boehmer commented that unit 111 through 113 "needs to have a late season" in reference to the Department's recommendation to add a late season mule deer "any legal weapon" hunt in

unit 111 through 113 to run from November 10 to November 30. The Members were in favor of the recommendations relating to mule deer and emergency depredation hunts.

(5:23:36) – There were no further Member comments, and Chairperson Boehmer entertained a motion.

(5:23:49) – Member Fleming moved to support item 8-B. The motion was seconded by Member Green. Chairperson Boehmer noted that he would be voting in opposition to item 8-B based on the Department's second recommendation relating to shortening archery antelope seasons for units 041 through 042 and 043 through 046, and he called for a vote. The motion carried 4-1-0.

8-C. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-04, 2021 BLACK BEAR SEASONS. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting the 2021 hunting season dates, open management units, hunting hours, special regulations, animal sex, legal weapon requirements, hunt boundary restrictions, and dates and time for indoctrination courses for black bear.

8-D. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-05 2021-2022 MOUNTAIN LION SEASON AND HARVEST LIMITS. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting the 2021-2022 mountain lion hunting season open units, harvest limits by unit group, hunting hours, and special regulations.

8-E. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-06, 2021-2022 AND 2022-2023 RESTRICTED NONRESIDENT GUIDED MULE DEER SEASONS AND QUOTAS. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting the 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 hunting seasons and quotas for restricted nonresident guided mule deer including hunt boundary restrictions.

8-F. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-07, 2022 HERITAGE TAG SEASONS AND QUOTA. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2022 Heritage Tag species, seasons, and quota.

8-G. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-08, 2021 SILVER STATE TAGS. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2021 Silver State tag species, seasons, and quota.

8-H. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-09, 2021 PARTNERSHIP IN WILDLIFE TAGS. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2021 Partnership in Wildlife tags hunt species, seasons, and quota.

8-I. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-10, 2021 DREAM TAG. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting a regulation to set the 2021 Dream Tag species, seasons, and quota.

8-J. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-11, 2021 BIG GAME APPLICATION DEADLINES. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting regulation to set the 2021 big game tag application deadlines and related information.

8-K. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION REGULATION 21-12, 2021 BIG GAME TAG APPLICATION ELIGIBILITY AND TAG LIMITS. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will consider adopting regulation to set the 2021 big game tag application eligibility and tag limits and related information.

8-L. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2022 PREDATION MANAGEMENT PLAN. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the draft Fiscal Year 2022 Predation Management Plan will be presented to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commission for initial review. Following this review, the draft plan will be updated and shared with the State Predatory Animal and Rodent Committee (PARC). All comments from the PARC, County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife, and any other interested entity will be compiled and shared with the Wildlife Damage Management Committee (WDMC) for their consideration at their March 2021 meeting. The Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will receive an update a the March 2021 meeting from the Wildlife Damage Management Committee and may provide additional direction at that time.

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

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 495, NAC 502 SIMPLIFICATION. At its January 29, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will review the Regulation Simplification Committee's recommendations regarding language updates and simplification of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 502 relating to licensing.

(5:25:32) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and entertained Member discussion and a motion.

(5:26:33) – Member Thompson moved to support agenda item #9. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Stewart and carried 5-0-0.

10. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 496, NAC 503 SIMPLIFICATION. At its January 29, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will review the Regulation Simplification Committee's recommendations regarding language updates and simplification of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 503 relating to wildlife.

(5:27:08) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and entertained Member discussion and a motion.

(5:27:19) – Member Thompson moved to support agenda item #10. The motion was seconded by Member Green and carried 5-0-0.

11. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 497, NAC 504 SIMPLIFICATION. At its January 29, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will review the Regulation Simplification Committee's recommendations regarding language updates and simplification of Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 504 relating to wildlife management areas and other wildlife related topics.

(5:27:37) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and entertained Member discussion and a motion.

(5:27:49) – Member Fleming moved to support agenda item #11. The motion was seconded by Vice Chairperson Stewart and carried 5-0-0.

12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 493, NAC 488 SIMPLIFICATION. At its January 30, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will review the Legislative Council Bureau's drafted language of the updates and simplifications to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) 488 relating to watercrafts, as proposed by the Commission and Regulation Simplification Committee.

(5:28:00) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and entertained Member discussion and a motion.

(5:28:09) – Vice Chairperson Stewart moved to support agenda item #12. The motion was seconded by Member Green and carried 5-0-0.

13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING TAG ALLOCATION AND APPLICATION HUNT COMMITTEE (TAAHC). At its January 29, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will provide a report on the recent Tag Allocation and Application Hunt Committee Meeting.

(5:28:28) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. Because the agenda materials were not in the Board packets, the consensus among the Board was to skip the item without taking action, and Chairperson Boehmer noted that the item did not require action.

14. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS REGARDING USE OF HOUNDS ON BEAR HUNTS. At its January 29, 2021 meeting, the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will hear data compiled by the Department relating to the use of hounds on bear hunts, as directed by the Commission in November 2020's meeting as a follow-up to a petition. The Commission will direct the Department as to how to proceed with the petition process.

(5:31:14) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item and entertained Member discussion and a motion.

(5:36:09) – Member Green moved to support agenda item #15. The motion was seconded by Member Fleming and carried 5-0-0.

15. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENT(S) TO THE JANUARY 29 AND 30, 2021 VIRTUAL BROADCAST MEETING AND MARCH 19 AND 20, 2021 MEETING.

(5:36:48) – Chairperson Boehmer introduced the item. He stated that he planned to attend the January 29 and 30, 2021 meeting, and Member Green volunteered to attend the March 19 and 20, 2021 meeting, though Chairperson Boehmer assured that he could be an "alternate" if anything happens.

16. FOR INFORMATION ONLY: FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(5:38:16) – Chairperson Boehmer entertained requests for future agenda items; however, none were forthcoming.

17. PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:46:33) – Chairperson Boehmer entertained public comments; however, none were forthcoming.

18. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADJOURNMENT

(5:47:04) – Chairperson Boehmer adjourned the meeting at 5:47 p.m.

The minutes of the January 25, 2021 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved on this 12th day of April 2021.