

**THE WHITE PINE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE
WILDLIFE MET IN SPECIAL SESSION ON
NOVEMBER 1, 2022 AT 6:00 PM AT THE BRISTLE CONE CONVENTION
CENTER.**

Present:

Mitchell McVicars (Board Chairman)
Steve Marquez (Board Vice Chairman)
Ray Sawyer (Via phone call)
Jake Rosevear
Adam Ruesch (Via phone call)

Kayla Couch (Board Secretary)

Absent:

Visitors:

Kenny Mull (NDOW)
Kody Menghini (NDOW)
Samantha Fino (NDOW)

Called to order:

Board Chairman McVicars called the meeting to order at 6:06pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment Period:

No public comment.

***Approval of Agenda:**

Board Chairman McVicars called for a motion to approve the agenda for the November 1, 2022 meeting.

A motion to approve the agenda November 1, 2022 meeting was made by Board member Sawyer. The motion was seconded by Board member Marquez and motion carried with no opposition.

***Approval of minutes:**

Board reviewed the September 19, 2022 special meeting minutes for approval.
Board Chairman entertained a motion.

A motion to approve the minutes for the September 19, 2022 special meeting, was made by Board member Sawyer seconded by Board member Rosevear. The motion carried with no opposition.

***Payment of Bills:**

The Board was presented a bill for Kayla Couch, for secretary services for the November 1, 2022 meeting in the amount of \$150.00.
Board Chairman McVicars entertained a motion.

A motion to approve the payment of bills to Kayla Couch in the amount of \$150.00 was made by Board member Sawyer, seconded by board member Marquez. The motion carried with no opposition.

***Correspondence:**

Chairman McVicars, reported that State Commission has featured a presentation slide show, with the breakdown of the youth junior hunt Data.

Reports:

Cave Lake Project- No new updates.

Commission Agenda items:

7A.* Commission Policy 11- Heritage Grants – First Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

7B.* Commission Policy 23 – Predation Management – First Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: Kody Menghini (NDOW) informed the White Pine County CAB, that changes would include the elimination of portions of policy 23 under NRS 502.253 (1), particularly the phrase that states “of which 80% of revenues from the most recent fiscal year for which the Department has complete information must be spent for lethal management and control of predatory wildlife in accordance with NRS 502.253 (4) (b). Menghini stated that although this item will likely have to go through legislature, he felt that it was important to bring to the CAB’s attention. Both CAB members, McVicars and Rosevear found the omission to be interesting and would like to refer to the reasoning of why.

Public comment: None.

7C.* Commission Policy 24 – Hunting Opportunities Among Various Weapons Classes and Hunter Groups – Third Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: Board members McVicars and Rosevear wanted to clarify how the breakdown of the junior hunt application process would be implemented with the suggested weapon class split. McVicars’ example statement was “could juniors select a weapon class and area?” Menghini responded he understood that weapon class would be split into two categories, rifle or archery/muzzleloader, with a similar selection process as the resident/non-resident application; allowing up to 5 selections that include area and weapon class of choice. Board member Rosevear stated that the implementation of the split weapon classes for the junior hunt is a step in the right direction to re-populate the deer herds. Board member Sawyer agreed with Rosevear’s statement and voiced that it may limit some juniors but allow opportunity for others.

Public comment: None.

7D.* Commission Policy 60 – Water Application Guidelines – Second Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

7E.* Commission Policy 61 – Water Rights – Second Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

7F.* Commission Policy 62 - Mitigation Policy- First Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

7G.* Commission Policy 66 – Management and Use of Wildlife Management Areas – Second Reading – APRP Committee Chairman David McNinch – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

A motion to support State Commission agenda items 7A-7G with the exception and intent to follow up on the reasoning behind the elimination of verbiage in (7B) policy 23 ,NRS 502-253 (1), was made by Board member Rosevear, seconded by Board member Sawyer. The Motion carried with no opposition.

8A.* Commission General Regulation 500, Subdivision Map Review – Wildlife Staff Specialist Jasmine Kleiber – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: Samantha Fino (NDOW) reported that Eureka County questioned the additional information requested that is not required by the state. McVicars and Fino assume that Eureka County will follow up on the discussion at the state commission meeting.

Public comment: None.

8B.* Commission General Regulation 502, Junior Hunt and Turkey Program – Management Analyst Megan Manfredi – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

8C.* Commission General Regulation 510, FCFS Exchange to Obtain a Tag– Management Analyst Megan Manfredi – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

8D.* Commission General Regulation 506, Possession of Golden Eagles Under Certain Circumstances – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

14A.* Commission Regulation 23-02, Taking of Raptors for Falconry for 2023-2024 – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

14B.* Commission Regulation 23-03, Noncommercial Collection of Reptiles and Amphibians for 2023-2024 – Wildlife Diversity Administrator Jennifer Newmark – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

14C.* Commission Regulation 22-12 Amendment #1, Upland and Furbearer Seasons – Management Analyst Megan Manfredi – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: Menghini stated that the regulation would combine applications to make the process easier for applicants.

Public comment: None.

15A.* Commission General Regulation 508, Antler Points and Spike Elk Defined – Wildlife Staff Specialist Cody McKee.

Board discussion: Board members Sawyer and Mcvicars voiced concerns with the three point option in the verbiage for the spike elk definition. Rosevear stated that under the current recommend definition the department is likely outside the target age range for bulls specified for the spike elk hunt. Menghini (NDOW) provided the CAB with definition from neighboring states, Utah, Oregon, and Idaho that also contained diagrams to match each definition. Board Member Sawyer stated that he would rather the definition state two points opposed to three points. Fino (NDOW) suggested implementing a diagram to clarify, as other states have in their definition. The CAB Board agreed that a diagram would be helpful for the description and the discrepancy on brow tines.

Public comment: None.

*A motion to recommend changes to State Commission General Regulation 508, Antler Points and Spike Elk Defined, to read “ “Spiked elk” means any antlered elk having not more than **TWO** points on either antler” as well as a diagram for visual description, was made by Board member Sawyer, seconded by Board member Ruesch. The Motion carried with no opposition.*

15B.* Commission General Regulation 510, FCFS Exchange to Obtain a Tag – Management Analyst Megan Manfredi – For Possible Action.

Board discussion: None.

Public comment: None.

A motion to support State Commission General Regulation 510, FCFS Exchange to Obtain a Tag, was made by Board member Sawyer, seconded by Board member Marquez. The Motion carried with no opposition.

Next Commission meeting scheduled for November 4th, and 5th, 2022 the location of the meeting is subject to change due to direction of the Governor during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Commission may change the time and meeting location at this time. The chairwoman may designate and adjust committee assignments and add or dissolve committees, as necessary at this time. Any anticipated committee meetings that may occur prior to the next Commission meeting may be discussed.

A motion to allow and approve travel and expenses for an available Board member to attend the State Commission meeting, on the dates of November 4th and 5th, 2022 in Las Vegas, Nevada, was made by Board member Sawyer, seconded by Board member Rosevear. Motion passed, no opposition.

Board discussed having the next advisory meeting on Monday, January 23, 2023 at 6pm at the White Pine County Library.

A motion to accept the next meeting date of Monday, January 23, 2023 at 6pm at the White Pine County Library, was made by Board member Marquez, seconded by Board member Rosevear. Motion passed, no opposition.

Public comment: No public comment.

Board Chairman McVicars entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:50pm

A motion to adjourn the White Pine County Wildlife Advisory meeting on November 1, 2022 was made by Board member Rosevear, seconded by Board member Marquez. Motion passed with no opposition.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50pm.