

Humboldt County Fish & Game Advisory Commission

MINUTES

May 15, 2018

The Commission meets the *THIRD Tuesday* each month from 6:30pm through 8:30pm. Agenda items and supporting info should be mailed to HCF&GAC; PO Box 922; Ferndale, CA 95536; Phone 707.786.4902 email: nkaytis4@gmail.com up to two weeks following previous meeting. Meetings are held at The Farm Bureau, 5601 S. Broadway, Eureka

	ATTENDANCE	D	SUPERVISOR
Ex	Brad Smith	1	Rex Bohn
ex	Casey Allen	4	Virginia Bass
x	Denver Nelson	1	Rex Bohn
ex	Harry Vaughn	2	Estelle Fennel
ex	Hollie Hall	3	Mike Wilson
x	Nancy Kaytis-Slocum, Secretary		

	ATTENDANCE	D	SUPERVISOR
x	John Clark; Ch	2	Estelle Fennel
x	Kenny Priest	4	Virginia Bass
x	Kim Watson	5	Ryan Sundberg
x	Loren Furber	5	Ryan Sundberg
x	Mike Zamboni	5	Ryan Sundberg

	ATTENDANCE	D	SUPERVISOR
x	Phil Grunert	2	Estelle Fennel
x	Ted Romo	1	Rex Bohn
ab	Tyler Martin	3	Mike Wilson
x	Wes Moore	3	Mike Wilson
	OPEN	4	Virginia Bass

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Clark at 6:35 pm.

The minutes from the April 17, 2018 meeting were approved by consensus. (Note: the secretary did not find any reference in Brown Act information on the internet that supports Commissioner Smith's belief that minutes did not have to be approved by motion.)

Addition to agenda: Item 9d Wind Energy. Ted Romo reported that the California Governor is processing development of wind energy 10-20 miles out. Drag fishermen are concerned about anchoring. It was determined that this is an information only item, and it will be added to the next agenda..

Grants: Secretary Kaytis-Slocum presented the grant process to the Commission, along with Fish and Game Code Chapter 2, Section 13103 listing the items that the grant funding can be spent on. These items are listed on the Request for Proposals (RFP), which will be advertised in the Times Standard on 6/7, 6/14 and 6/21. RFPs are due on July 2, 2018. A copy of the RFP will be emailed to all commissioners, all on the agenda mailing list, and all previous requestors on the first day the Times Standard ad is run. A copy of the advertisement along with the Request for Proposals was also presented at this meeting.

May Meeting	Begin talking about the grant process
June 1	Publish Request for Proposals, newspaper ads and send out RFPs to mailing list. Due postmarked July 1, 2018
July Meeting	Find out from Karen Clower, County CAO's office, what has been budgeted for grant funding this year. (Previous requests to find out how much money actually came in from the state in the previous year have not been adequately answered.) Review requests, grade them, make recommendations to the Board
August meeting	Wait for official approval from the Board, notify recipients with instructions for reimbursement, notify those who did not receive a grant.
March meeting	Follow up on recipients for six-month reports
September	Final reports should be in and money disbursed. FUNDS MUST BE SPENT BY

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meeting	SEPTEMBER 30.
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Public River Access: Commissioner Zamboni reported that nothing has changed on Jacoby Creek except enforcement is back in effect. Hunters can still hunt and access without crossing the wildlife area. They can come in by boat or stay in the creek.

Wolves: California Cattlemen’s Association, Lassen County and the Pacific Legal Foundation are suing the State of California to remove wolves from the endangered species list.

Elk Herd: Permission was granted to Fish and Wildlife Department to collar Elk. This will be a three year study. The first herd collared had 250 Elk.

SB1487 Iconic African Species Protection Act: Commissioner Phil Grunert read the letter he and Jon Sapper prepared for the Board of Supervisors. Jon Sapper spoke on the subject, calling the bill an anti-hunting bill. Note that the bill does not say Endangered but Iconic which will open the door for additional species to be added through regulation, not law. MOTION (Grunert/Moore) Send the prepared letter to the Board of Supervisors with a cover letter noting that the issue is time sensitive, and to please act on it as soon as possible. Also, send a copy of this letter to other Fish & Game Commissions. All in favor.

Secretary budget and money paid for her services: The secretary presented her budget, along with a one time costs for office equipment. She explained that any and all money comes out of the fine monies available for grants. MOTION: (Grunert/Watson) Ask the Board of Supervisors to increase the yearly amount from \$3000 to \$6000. MOTION: (Furber/Grunert) Ask the Board of Supervisors to approve a one-time equipment payment of \$520. All in favor.

The next meeting will be June 19, 2018. Meeting was closed at 7:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Nancy Kaytis-Slocum, secretary,

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