

Mono County Fish and Wildlife Commission
Wednesday, June 7, 2017 ~ 10am
June Lake Community Center
90 Granite Ave, June Lake, CA 93529

MINUTES

Attending: Parker, Jones, Burak, King, Mueller

Staff: Jeff Simpson

Other: Todd O'Banion

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:07am.
2. MOMENT OF SILENCE FOR JEFFREY WENGER: A moment of silence was held for Jeffrey Wenger.
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was made.
4. INTRODUCTIONS: Introductions were made.
5. PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. O'Banion reported that Sierra Spirit Foundation was willing to donate all equipment used on Conway Ranch for an entities use on Conway Ranch with an approved Memorandum of Understanding MOU. Mr. O'Banion was instructed by staff to relay that information to Tony Dublino who is managing Conway Ranch.
6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (5-3-17): A MOTION WAS MADE BY BURAK, SECONDED BY PARKER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 5, 2017 REGURLAR MEETING AS WRITTEN. MOTION APPROVED 5-0, NO ABSTENTIONS.
7. STAFF/COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS: No update.
8. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE UPDATE: No update.
9. MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE: No update.
 - Fish and Game Fine Fund - \$16,000 Starting Balance. \$3,599 Remaining (\$3,500 Eastern Sierra Wildlife Care, \$7,901 Fish Stocking, \$1,000 Cal Trout Study)
 - MCFC regular budget - \$25,000 Starting Balance. \$0.12 Remaining. (\$5,000 Spawning Study. \$3,000 for Mammoth Creek Study, \$445.20 for Business Cards, \$2,655.68 Fishing Brochure, \$8,899.00 Fish Stocking, \$1,500 Kids Fishing Festival, \$3,500 Trout Unlimited Spawning Study.)
10. DISSCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Presentation by Sue Burak on forecasting 2017 runoff flows in Rush Creek, Owens River, Mammoth Creek and the Walker River – Commissioner Burak: This item was tabled to the next meeting.
11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION - Desert Springs Trout Farm Production of Lahontan Cutthroat Trout – Staff: Staff reported that Dessert Springs Trout Farm was willing and able to provide the county with Lahontan Cutthroat Trout for stocking purposes. The commission discussed possible areas to stock the fish and if this was a need for the county. It was determined that DFW input would be needed to see

what locations could be stocked with LCT.

12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – National Fish and Wildlife Foundation Grants – Todd O’Banion: Mr. O’Banion presented grant opportunities that may be able to help the County, private industry or a facilitator at Conway Ranch manage the fisheries in Mono County. The application period for this year has just expired. Staff and the commission would consider looking at the grants next year if a need and staff time are available.
13. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Social Media Fishing Promotion – Commissioner Morton: This item was tabled until the next meeting.
14. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Commissioner Mileage Reimbursement – Commissioner Anthony: The commission recommended staff ask for mileage reimbursement for the commissioners at the federal mile reimbursement rate due to increased costs of driving and the distance some commissioners are traveling to attend meetings. Staff would prepare a cost analysis and recommend it in the next budgeting cycle for Fiscal Year 2017-18 for Mono County Board of Supervisors Approval.
15. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission Update – Staff: No update.
16. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: None.
17. ADJOURNMENT – Next regular scheduled meeting is July 5, 2017 at 10am in June Lake.

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