

**Mono County Fish and Wildlife Commission**  
**Wednesday, December 6, 2017 ~ 10am**  
**June Lake Community Center**  
**90 Granite Ave, June Lake, CA 93529**

**MINUTES**

ATTENDING: Morton, Mueller, Anthony, Burak, King, Parker and Jones.

STAFF: Simpson

OTHERS: Supervisors John Peters, Lt. Bill Daily, Dan Lengning, Jim Erdman, Levi Keszey.

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:01 am.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was made.
3. INTRODUCTIONS: Introductions were made.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment.
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (11-1-17): A MOTION WAS MADE BY MORTON, SECONDED BY ANTHONY TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2017 MINUTES AS WRITTEN. MOTION PASSES 7-0, NO ABSTENTIONS.
6. STAFF/COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS: No staff or commissioner reports.
7. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE UPDATE: Lt. Daily reported a new warden would be starting this month.
8. MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE: No Update.
  - Fish and Game Fine Fund - \$7,500 Starting Balance. (\$3,500 ESWC) \$4,000 Remaining
  - MCFC regular budget - \$5,000 Starting Balance. (\$3,500 for Fish Stocking Shipping) \$1,500 Remaining.
9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Trout in the Classroom Funding Request – California Department of Fish and Wildlife: Mr. Erdman gave a presentation on the history of Trout in the Classroom and program successes and walked the commission through previous funding requests. Mr. Erdman requested \$4,000 for classroom chillers for the 6-8 week Trout in the Classroom program. A MOTION WAS MADE BY MORTON, SECONDED BY KING TO FUND TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM FOR \$4,000 OUT OF THE FISH AND GAME FINE FUND. MOTION APPROVED 7-0, NO ABSTENTIONS.
10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – 2018 Kids Fishing Festival Funding Request – Commissioner Mueller. Commissioner Mueller gave a presentation on last year's Kids Fishing Festival and plans for this year's event. A MOTION WAS MADE BY ANTHONY, SECONDED BY JONES TO FUND THE KIDS FISHING FESTIVAL \$1,500 OUT OF THE REGULAR BUDGET. MOTION APPROVED 6-0, 1 ABSTENTION (MUELLER).
11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Wildlife Crossing Funding for Mono County – Staff: Mr. Simpson presented the document sent by the Inyo County Fish and Wildlife Commissioners discussing possible wildlife crossing points on US 395. The commission discussed the need for the project but

determined more information and funding would be needed to move forward. This item was recommended to be continued at the next meeting.

12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Mono County Fisheries Management Plan – Commissioner Morton: The commission discussed the need for a Mono County Fisheries Management Plan. The commission discussed the possibility of starting with a few headwaters and then moving on to other waters in Mono County. Mr. Erdman he could come back at a future meeting to present what DFW is currently doing for fisheries management. Commissioner Morton presented a letter to local fishing nonprofits about the possibility of partnering on the creation and implementation of the management plan.
13. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Historical Fish Stocking Data and Economic Impact – Staff: Item was tabled to the next meeting when more information could be gathered.
14. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – 2018 Chair and Vice Chair Elections – Staff: No action was taken. Elections will take place at the June 2018 meeting.
15. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – 2018 Mono County Fish and Wildlife Meeting Schedule – Staff: The commission discussed the location and meeting times of the Mono County Fish and Wildlife meetings and decided to keep the schedule the same and to continue to meet on the first Wednesday of each month in June Lake.
16. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission Update – Staff: Mr. Simpson reported an increase in the first quarter TOT numbers for Mono County.
17. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: None.
18. ADJOURNMENT – Next regular scheduled meeting is January 3, 2018 at 10am in June Lake.

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