

**MINUTES OF THE  
SUTTER COUNTY FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION  
MEETING OF  
November 14, 2019  
At 1445 Veteran's Memorial Circle, Yuba City, CA**

**Members Present:**

Bill McFarland  
Bruce Hutchinson  
Chuck Wyllie  
Danara Doub-Reed  
Donald Manley  
Donald Priem  
Jeff Smith  
Rick Libby  
Tiffany Walden

**Members Excused:**

James Stone  
Larry Virga  
Robert Ripley

**Members Absent:**

Brian Jeremiah  
Robert Boucke  
Thaddeus Eubanks

**Others Present:** (signing is voluntary, this list represents guests that signed the sign-in sheet)  
Dale Whitmore

**REGULAR MEETING:**

Called the regular meeting to order.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

October 10, 2019 Minutes

Motion to approve: Manley    Second: Hutchinson

Yeas: 9            Nays: 0            Abstain: 0

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1) Treasurer's Report – Small fine and interest income
- 2) Payment/Reimbursement- Nothing to report

## **CHAIRPERSON REPORT**

- 1) Mr. Libby not been receiving emails or paper mailings. Please be sure he is on the list to receive info.
- 2) Add copy of new bylaws/ordinance to all individuals in the next mailing. Most have not received it yet.
- 3) Email attendance record to everyone.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

- 1) Discussion and action – Requirements and location for potential Sutter County Public Rifle Range.
  - a. Continue to December
- 2) Discussion and action – New Location for Commission Hunt.
  - a. Jeff smith talked to Gray Lodge and found a person that will try to work with F&G to align a hunt/plan. There may be more restrictions or can use a separate area not normally open to the public.
    - i. Is a type A refuge- Have to go through more hoops but one of the biggest locations in the valley.
    - ii. Would need to submit a letter and hunt plan. A couple weeks before the season fully opens would be a good time to do the hunt. Gray lodge already a managed property. How many acres would be available? Turnout to previous hunts was not always good. Tiffany and Chuck to work on letter.
    - iii. Will have to work with state officials? Concerns about release of ‘invasive species’, (pheasant?).
  - b. If want reasonable number of kids, will need enough volunteers. Will need background checks on volunteers per state liability issues. Who would be allowed there on the field?
  - c. 200 acres, 2-day hunt, 20 youth hunter per hunt. (morning), Yuba-Sutter and beginner hunters get priority draw, ask if bringing a dog (pointer or flusher?), MAY have some additional handlers, 3 birds per hunt (If state contributes 2, commission will contribute 1. All excess birds to be released. Volunteer base to be provided by SC F&G for every aspect of hunt. Get ATV rules. Wait and see what the state wants for Gray Lodge before re-addressing Nelson.
  - d. Other option is to try to go back to Nelson Slough and have everyone be approved by the state.
  - e. (Continue to agendize)
- 3) Commissioner attendance and non-attendance

- a. Motion made to draft a letter in regards to attendance and removal of absent members: Manly. Second: Libby, Yeas:9, Approved
- b. General Services to send copies of prior years attendance to all commissioners.
- c. Email attendance and updated by-laws/ordinance.
- d. Continue for December

**Commission Committee Reports –**

- A. **Commission Hunt- Chuck Wyllie:** Already discussed
- B. **Boat Ramp- Rick Libby** Per Bob Buckner to Chuck, Boating and Waterways has permanently suspended any improvements at the boat ramps. \$90,000 work on Tisdale, bathrooms, fish-cleaning stations, gates, etc.
- C. **Education- Robert Ripley:** Tiffany Walden briefed on the artic chillers. Going to be contacting teachers for Project WILD. Borrowed a chiller for one school whose chiller went out. Has a new teacher and may need a new one; Vote for 2 new chillers and one per year as needed. May include small repairs, incidentals for program, thermometers etc.
- D. **Conservation- Bruce Hutchinson:** No report.
- E. **Special Projects- Chuck Wyllie:** No report.
- F. **Planning & Budget- Danarae Doub-Reed:** No report
- G. **Fishing Committee- Robert Boucke:** No report

**Fish and Wildlife Warden Update –** No report.

**Commissioner Comments –** No report

**Public Comments—** Dale Whitmore still working with City of Marysville for public access to the river front part, river access. Parking citations still being issued for parking in the dirt, can only park by soccer fields if soccer games are going on. 4 dirt lots.

**Correspondence –** No report

**Notes-** No additional notes.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Patricia DeSantis*

Sutter County General Services