



EL DORADO COUNTY

Fish & Wildlife Commission

Mike Denega-At Large
Stephen Horan-At Large
Dennis Byrne-Dist I
Eric Harnage sec/ tres- Dist II
Kathleen Jermstad VC -Dist III
Pat Weddle, Chair – Dist IV
Vacant – Dist V

MEETING MINUTES

July 28, 2021

ZOOM Meeting 6:00-8:00 pm

1. Call to Order & Roll Call – Vice Chairman Jermstad called the meeting to order at 6:00pm. This meeting was conducted by video conference due to COVID-19. Present were Denega, Horan, Byrne, and Harnage.
2. Adoption of Minutes of 6/30/21 and Agenda for 7/28/21– Both the Agenda and the minutes were approved.
3. Dignitaries present were CDFW Lt. Pera and Larry Nelson.
4. Public Comment – None
5. CDFW Biologists and CDFW Warden reports -
 - a. Warden – No report
6. Finance Report-

Myrna provided information regarding fines paid to FW Commission. We are responsible for tracking the fines and if payment is not received the commission should contact the DA. An updated report will be provided next meeting (Myrna). Thank you, Myrna!
7. Motion made to purchase two new banners with Fish and Wildlife Commission to replace the Fish and Game Banners was made and passed. An estimated cost for hat and t-shirts will be obtained by Dennis and Eric and brought back to the board.
8. Commission Reports –

At Large- Mike Denega reported that the water levels and fish in Bass Lake and Wakamatsu are ok. There is no fishing report on these lakes because of the heat. Finnon Lake water levels are good, and Bass Lake is currently closed to fishing.

At Large- Steve Horan
No Report.

District 1- Dennis Byrne:

Dennis obtained a gift for Victor Babbitt for his many years of service to the commission. He wanted to invite commissioners to meet with new DA liaison. Reported that county owned property at Chili bar was being considered for an RV Park. He spoke of a booth at County Fair for the Commission. Dennis will be looking to stocking fish in the fall at Serrano Pond. He advised dove banding has not been as productive this year due to personal reasons.

District II-Eric Harnage
No Report

District III-Kathleen Jermstad

Kathie requested input from commissioners regarding placing information on the website regarding the Camino Undercrossing. Additionally, a time lapse video showing several months of captured animal activity at the El Dorado/Highway 50 undercrossing was considered to be placed on the website; however at this time it will not be posted. There was discussion regarding predators and poachers using the undercrossing(s) to stalk prey. There was also discussion about transients potentially using these undercrossings as campsites. Kathie will be writing another article for the "Around Here" magazine that will address how to avoid striking deer on the back country roads.

District IV-Pat Weddle
Patrick (Approved Absence)

District V-Vacant

9. Legislative Report-Larry Nelson
AB 645 Fish and Wildlife: Poaching: penalties: probation period
AB 1237 DOJ List
10. Next meeting – 08/25/2021 – 6 pm - Video Conference (Zoom)
11. Adjournment was at 7:25 pm

COUNTY POLICY COVID-19

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- Interacting in-person with any member of the commission and/or public while performing any function relative to the commission's duties.*
- Working in any space visited by members of the public including our regularly scheduled conference room; regardless of whether anyone from the public is present at the time.*
- Working or walking through common areas, such as hallways, stairways, elevators, and parking facilities, and restrooms.*
- In the conference room or other enclosed area where other people are present regardless of physically distancing a minimum of 6 feet.*
- While outdoors in public spaces when maintaining a physical distance of 6 feet from other persons in not feasible.*