



EL DORADO COUNTY

Fish & Game Comm.

Larry Nelson - At Large
Stephen Horan - At Large
Dennis Byrne - Dist I
Mike Denega - Dist II
Kurt Mikkola - Dist III
Pat Weddle - Dist IV
Victor Babbitt - District V

MEETING MINUTES

February 27, 2019, 7:00 P.M.
330 Fair Lane, Conference Room A
Placerville, CA 95667

1. Call To Order & Roll Call – Meeting was called to order by Chairman Nelson at 7:03pm
 - 1) Byrne, Denega, Weddle, Horan, Nelson, and Mikkola present
 - 2) Supervisor Dist I - John Hidahl
 - 3) CDFW Biologist – Shelly Blair
2. Adoption of Minutes of 1/30/19 and Agenda for 2/27/19 – Both approved unanimously
3. Public Comment - None
4. CDFW Biologists and CDFW Warden reports –
 - 1) The warden's report was shared and discussed
 - 2) Shelly Blair reported that she has a Junior Hunting Education class scheduled March 8th and 9th. She shared a response she received from Caltrans regarding the signage being installed at the call-box locations. Also shared some interesting reports with signage and wildlife. Links to follow via email. Reported more bear DNA studies coming up and offered a chance to go along on some studies. She reported on the upcoming Kanaka Valley Junior Turkey hunt and subsequent hunts to those that win the drawings.
5. Motion to fund supplemental fish planting in Serrano in the amount of \$283.33 – from the Preservation account. A discussion ensued and vote was taken. Passed by majority vote.
6. Motion to fund additional erosion control gravel for Fannon Lake – \$700.00 - from the Preservation account. A discussion ensued and vote was taken. Passed unanimously. A report will be requested by the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD).
7. Motion to pursue the Lahontan Cutthroat issues – Tabled until next meeting.
8. Motion to fund Lake Walton Kid's derby for \$2500.00 – from the preservation account. Date will be June 1st. Discussion ensued and vote was taken. Passed unanimously.
9. Motion to fund Sawmill Pond Kid's derby for \$2500.00 – from Sawmill Pond account. Date will be June 1st. Discussion ensued and vote was taken. Passed unanimously.
10. Comm. Reports –
 - 1) Byrne – will look into what is available from CDFW to lend to kids without poles and tackle so they can enter the kid's fishing derby. Byrne asked the Comm. to gather as much fatality deer data as possible to include in information packets for the BOS, Byrne has issued a challenge to the Comm. to attend other counties

F&G meetings and requests that the topic be included in next month's agenda, Byrne summarized progress with creating our Comm. bylaws, Byrne gave a quick re-cap of what was presented earlier in the meeting regarding the use of the call-boxes for wildlife crossing signs.

- 2) Weddle spoke about the continuing efforts to create a factual story for the public about the impacts of poaching in our County; He requested status of our BOS reply to our suggestion regarding the Rock Bar Rd access issues. He brought up the issues the MVFD will be facing with Finnon Lake Licensing with the Division of Dam Safety (DSOD). Mikkola commented that Karl Weiland is following Assembly Bigelow's legislation to restructure DSOD fees to give some relief to small impounds like Finnon.
 - 3) Denega reported that the Wakamatsu Farms has completed the interpretive signage project.
 - 4) Mikkola began the discussion regarding a letter of support from this Comm. directed to the BOS regarding the bear issues that are surfacing within Apple Hill. Preliminary discussions revealed that El Dorado Disposal likely can assist with bear proof bins and progress towards education will continue. Mikkola gave a brief update regarding the changes to the ordinance.
11. Finance Report – Mikkola reported that the initial 2019-2020 budget requests have been turned into the CAO office for consideration. Mikkola summarized the status of the Preservation and Sawmill Pond accounts. Mikkola will try to get numbers of the line item deposits as a direct result of fines and penalties awarded to the preservation account.
 12. Legislative Reports – Chairman Nelson shared the Ted Gaines report. Mikkola shared some legislation that has no direct link to this county but may be of interest to others including the classification of Chinook salmon onto the endangered list.
 13. Next meeting – 3/27/19 – Conference Room A - Placerville
 14. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 9:03pm.