

Mono County Fish and Wildlife Commission
Wednesday, November 1, 2017 ~ 10am
June Lake Community Center
90 Granite Ave, June Lake, CA 93529

MINUTES

Attending: Morton, Jones, Anthony, Parker

Staff: Jeff Simpson

Others: Supervisor John Peters, Jim Erdman, Lt. Bill Daily, Dan Lengning

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:03am
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 (10-4-17): A MOTION WAS MADE BY MORTON, SECONDED BY JONES, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 4, 2017 MEETING AS WRITTEN. MOTION APPROVED 4-0, NO ABSTENTIONS.
6. STAFF/COMMISSIONER’S REPORTS: Mr. Morton suggested a letters of recommendation be prepared to support regulations during the spawning season on Rush Creek.
7. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE UPDATE: Mr. Erdman reported on stocking scheduled to proceed at Hot Creek that includes 8,000 sub-catchable rainbows and 4,000 sub-catchable browns. Lt. Daily reported on increase fishing violations over the last few months along with an update on deer population and hunting during the fall season.
8. MONTHLY BUDGET 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 – Mono County Fisheries Management Plan – Staff: Mr. Simpson recommended the commission look into a Fisheries Management Plan that can be completed with various other non-profit groups. Supervisor Peters recommended the plan be outlined to reflect “resource management.” Mr. Morton will reach out to other agencies for partnership opportunities.
10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Topaz Lake Fish Enhancement – Staff: This item was postponed due to staff being unable to reach the representative at the Topaz Lake Fish Enhancement.
11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Economic Impact of Fish Stocking – Staff: The Commission discussed various ways to measure the impact of fish stocking in the Eastern Sierra. Staff reached out to several consultants with ideas about measurement statistics and economic comparisons. Staff would bring this item back next meeting for further discussion including the possibility of partnering with the

Tourism Commission on their Visitor Profile Study.

12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission Update – Staff – No update.

13. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: Fish Stocking Data Update.

14. ADJOURNMENT – Next regular scheduled meeting is December 6, 2017 at 10am in June Lake.

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