Minutes
Washington Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting
August 2-3, 2019 – Olympia

Attendance

**WA Commission:**
Larry Carpenter, Chair
Dave Graybill
Don McIsaac
Bob Kehoe
Kim Thorburn
Molly Linville
James R. Anderson

**Commission Staff:**
Nikki Kloepfer
Tami Liningter

**WA Department Staff:**
Kelly Susewind, Director
Amy Winthrop, Deputy Director
William Frymire, AGO
Nate Pamplin
Ron Warren
Eric Gardner
Eric Kinne
Andrew Murdoch
Joe Anderson
Craig Burley
Ben Makenzie
Kirt Hughes
Kelly Henderson
Morgan Stinson
Dan Chadwick
Julie Watson

**Public:**
Steve Boerner
Art Holman
Michael Barrow
Greg King
Ross Barkhurst
Mark Streuli
Jim Tuggle
Bruce Vandervort
Tom Davis
Jeff Dawson
Doug Sandy?
Robb Krehbiel
Les Tobias
Chris Nichols
Robert Sudar
Denis DeSilvis
Michael Barroz
Danny Defranco
Sam Ledgerwood
Irene Levee
Diane Gallegos

Ron Schweitzer
Tim Hamilton
Bob Lake
Todd Seamons

Friday, August 2, 2019

Chair Carpenter called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

1. **Call to Order**
   a. **Commissioners’ Discussion**

   The Commissioners discussed the following items:

   Chair Carpenter introduced new staff and commission members. He appointed Commissioner Linville and Anderson to the Wolf committee. Both new commission members gave brief self-introductions.

   Chair Carpenter thanked Tami for her service and Commissioner Thorburn presented her with framed art. The commission also thanks Jay Hollzmiller for his service.
Commissioner Thorburn provided brief comments on the State Auditor findings meeting. Commissioner Graybill followed up on his meetings with tribes, counties, and state, on the Northern Pike.

b. **Meeting Minute Approval**
The Commission considered approval of the minutes of the June 19, 2019 meeting.

**Commissioner Thorburn moved, seconded by Commissioner Kehoe to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2019 conference call as presented. Motion passed.**

c. **Committee Reports**
Commissioner McIsaac provided an update from the August 1, Columbia River PRC meeting in Salem.

Chair Carpenter tabled the remaining committee reports until the August 23 conference call.

2. **Open Public Input**
The following people provided input on various topics:
- Danny DeFranco – wolf issues
- Jeff Dawson – wolf issues
- Sam Ledgerwood – wolf issues
- David Linn – wolf issues
- Greg King – CR & Cowlitz
- Robert Sudar – CR Policy
- Ilene LeVee – wolf issues
- Douglas Saint-Denis – logbook impact
- Robb Krehbiel – grizzly bear update
- Jim Tuggle – salmon release to Upper River
- Tom Davis – wolf issues

3. **Director's Report**
The Director provided an overview and highlighted the following topics:
- Regional visits and Digital Open Houses
- Staff updates
- 25th Anniversary
- Improving access - ADA website requirements

Deputy Director Windrope provided her vision for the internal department.

Commissioner McIsaac talked about the cougar management plan. Commissioner Linville asked about the process. Staff will follow up with the Commission in September.

4. **Commercial Fishing Guide Logbook Requirements – Decision**
Kelly Cunningham, Fish Program Director and Chris Donley, Region 1 Fish Program Manager briefed the Commission and requested approval on a proposal establishing logbook requirements for gamefish guides, food fish guides, and combination gamefish and food fish guides.

**Commissioner Thorburn moved, seconded by Commissioner Kehoe to adopt the Commercial Guide Logbook rule as presented by staff as option B, which will amend the subsection (3) to require logbook pages be provided to the department within ten days following any calendar month in which the guide activity took place with an effective date of January 1, 2020. The Commissioners would like a follow up report in one year. The motion passed.**

5. **Advisory Committee for Americans with Disabilities Report to the Commission**
Dan Dickerson, Chair, and Ron Zubrick, and Rick Spring, Committee members with the ADA Advisory Committee provided an update on the work they are doing in their regions.
6. **2020 Agency Request Legislative Proposals — Briefing, Public Comment, and Possible Decision**

Nate Pamplin, Director of Budget and Government Affairs and Raquel Crosier, Legislative Director presented the 2020 agency request legislative proposals.

The following people provided comments:
Bruce Vandervort

**Commissioner Thorburn moved, seconded by Commissioner McIsaac to approve the agency request legislative proposals as proposed by staff but requested that the Enforcement Civil Authority and License Revocation Bill be added to the August 23rd conference call for further discussion. The motion passed.**

7. **2020 Supplemental Operating Budget Requests — Briefing, Public Comment, and Possible Decision**

Nate Pamplin, Director of Budget and Government Affairs and Morgan Stinson, Budget Officer presented the agency’s 2020 supplemental operating budget proposals.

The following people provided comments:
Denis DeSilvis

**Commissioner McIsaac moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the supplemental operating budget requests as presented by staff, with allowance for minor adjustments as staff prepare final documents for submittal to the Governor’s Office. The motion passed.**

8. **Supplemental Capital Budget Requests — Briefing, Public Comment, and Possible Decision**

Tim Burns, Capital and Asset Management Program Director presented the agency’s 2020 supplemental capital budget proposals.

The following people provided comments:
Greg King  
Michael Barrow

**Commissioner McIsaac moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson to approve the proposed FY2020 Supplemental Capital Budget Request as presented, allowing for minor adjustments to project scope, priority and budget. The motion passed.**

9. **America’s Wildlife Values Study — Briefing**

Steve Pozzanghera, Region 1 Director and Sandra Jonker, Ph.D., Region 5 Wildlife Program Manager briefed the Commission on the results from the America’s Wildlife Values Study with emphasis on the Washington State specific portion of the survey.

Chair Carpenter recessed the meeting at 4:27 p.m.
Saturday, August 3, 2019

Chair Carpenter called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

10. Future Meeting Planning
Commissioners and staff discussed upcoming meetings, conference calls and reviewed the proposed 2020 meeting dates.

Commissioner McIsaac suggested spacing out conference calls around the meetings.

Commissioner Kehoe suggested moving some meetings from Friday/Saturday to Thursday/Friday for the 2020 calendar.

Commissioner Thorburn and Commissioner McIsaac requested the Year at a Glance (YAAG) be available online. Commissioner McIsaac requested the YAAG be updated and redistributed. He also asked about a workshop for the Commission, with agenda modifications in September, it can be done in Winthrop.

After discussion Chair Carpenter moved the general conversation to the Big Tent committee and the discussion about the workshop to the August 23 conference call.

11. Hatchery Reform Policy C-3619 – Briefing, Public Comment, and Possible Guidance
Ron Warren, Director of Fish Policy, Eric Kinne, Hatchery Division Manager, Andrew Murdoch, Eastern Washington Science Division Manager, and Joe Anderson, Fish and Wildlife Research Scientist provided the Commission with a status update on the progress and process to review the Hatchery and Fishery Reform Policy C-3619.

The following people provided input:
Greg King
Ross Barkhurst
Bob Lake
Tim Hamilton

Commissioner McIsaac and Kehoe requested staff to come back in September with a revised schedule.

12. Miscellaneous and Meeting Debrief
The Commissioners and staff discussed the follow up items from the meeting.

Commissioner Thorburn presented a Blue Sheet on Non-Toxic Ammunition. It will be assigned to the Wildlife Committee. It should include a briefing by Chris Parish of the Peregrine Fund or Leland Brown of the Oregon Zoo about the state of lead and wildlife science, voluntary efforts to encourage non-toxic ammunition for hunting, and the work of the North American Non-Lead Partnership.

Commissioner Thorburn made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Graybill for a briefing on Non-Toxic Ammunition. The motion passed.

Chair Carpenter adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

These minutes plus the audio recordings constitute the full minutes.

Nikki Kloepfer, Executive Assistant