



Mendocino County Fish & Game Commission

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SUMMARY MINUTES ~ Approved by Commission November 14, 2017

DATE: Tuesday, September 19, 2017
TIME: 6:00 pm
LOCATION: Conference Room A, County Board of Supervisors Chambers
501 Low Gap Road, Ukiah, California

1. Call to Order, Roll Call, Commissioner Appointments, and Possible Election of Officers

Chair Vann called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Present: Commissioners Patrick Ford, Michael Kura, Anna Neumann, and Randy Vann

Absent: Commissioners Patty Madigan and RedHawk Pallesen

Upon motion by Commissioner Ford, second by Commissioner Kura, Commissioner Anna Neumann was approved to serve as Commission Vice-Chair by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Ford, Kura, Neumann, and Vann

Absent: Commissioner Madigan and Pallesen

2. Public Expression on Non-Agenda Items (No Action)

Supervisor Georgeanne Croskey introduced herself to the Commission.

Member of the public, Jeff Tuttle, introduced himself to the Commission and expressed his interest in applying to serve on the Commission when a vacancy opens.

3. Approval of Minutes of July 11, 2017 Regular Meeting

Upon motion by Commissioner Ford, second by Commissioner Neumann, the minutes of July 11, 2017 were approved by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Ford, Kura, Neumann, and Vann

Absent: Commissioner Madigan and Pallesen

4. Reports

- **Fisheries**

Josh Russo, Recreational Abalone Advisory Committee and President of the Waterman's Alliance, provided an update to the Commission on the status of the Fisheries Management Plan and related topics.

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Upon motion by Commissioner Ford, second by Commissioner Neumann, letters to the California Fish and Game Commission and Mendocino County Board of Supervisors supporting citizen scientist data and alternate solutions to total abalone fisheries closure approved by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Ford, Kura, Neumann, and Vann

Absent: Commissioner Madigan and Pallesen

5. Presentation of Grant Award Reports

- Education and Wildlife Rescue Programs by Woodlands Wildlife (funded \$2,500, 2016-17)
Ronnie James will be presenting at the November meeting in Fort Bragg.
- Sub-tidal Marine Protected Area Monitoring of Mendocino County's Rocky Reefs
by Reef Check California (funded \$8,500, 2016-17)
Anna Neumann presented a progress report, presenting receipts and invoices to the secretary.
- Hammerhorn Lake Improvement Part 1 and 2 of Phase II by US Forest Service (2015-16)
Randy Vann noted progress is being made on the road repairs that have delayed the project completion.
- Sacramento Pike Minnow Abatement Program by Ukiah Rod and Gun Club (2015-16)
Pat Ford provided an update on the program.

6. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Feral Cat Feeding Policy Development

Mendocino County Supervisor Carre Brown provided an update to the Commission. County Counsel is drafting a policy regarding feral animal feeding policy to include in the update of the County Animal Ordinance.

7. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Burn Symposium (Guerrero)

Commissioner Guerrero reported on the progress of planning the burn symposium.

Upon motion by Commissioner Neumann, second by Commissioner Kura, the assignment of Terry Guerrero to represent the Mendocino County Fish and Game Commission on the co-hosted collaboration with the Mendocino County Farm Bureau for the 2017 burn symposium was approved by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Ford, Kura, Neumann, and Vann

Absent: Commissioner Madigan and Pallesen

8. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Mendocino Marine Protected Area (MPA) Collaboration (Neumann)

Commissioner Neumann presented to the Commission a possible collaboration with Mendocino MPA on enforcement training, utilizing the MPA regulation booklets to ensure that violations are being properly handled. The State has given each coastal community a process for local entities to conduct education and outreach, enforcement and compliance, research and monitoring for marine protected areas.

Upon motion by Commissioner Ford, second by Commissioner Kura, Commission support for Commissioner Anna Neumann to represent the Mendocino County Fish and Game Commission in supporting the efforts of the Mendocino Marine Protected Area Collaboration was approved by unanimous vote:

Ayes: Commissioners Ford, Kura, Neumann, and Vann

Absent: Commissioner Madigan and Pallesen

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9. Discussion and Possible Action on Commission Treasurer and Secretary Reports

- The Commission's website is nearly complete.
- The 2017-18 Grant Proposal process timeline was discussed and the Secretary was directed to issue the RFP as soon as possible with a December deadline for submissions.

10. Commissioner Comments, Reports, Announcements

- Commissioner Vann noted the response letter from the Commission to a member of the public was sent.
- Commissioner Ford provided an update on the Lake Mendocino Recreational Area Meeting regarding the Lake Mendocino clean up.

11. Adjournment at 7:26pm

NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED:

Tuesday, January 9, 2017

Fort Bragg Branch of the Mendocino County Library, 499 East Laurel Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437

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