



Fish and Wildlife Commission Meeting Minutes
July 17, 2014 – 7:00pm

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Others
Crystal Norris - Chairperson	Jim Lynch	Linnaea Furlong - SCWR
David Cook	Al Gerhardt	Ethan Rotman – CDFW
Brock Dolman	Jeff Holden	Dan Hubacker – United Anglers
Beth Lamb	Al Ferris	James Reed - CDFW
Julian Meisler	Don McEnhill	
Andy Pozzi		
Dagny Thomas		

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Norris called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm.

II. Adoption of Minutes

Report: Crystal asks if there are any additions or corrections to the June 2014 minutes.

Action: A motion was made by Julian to approve the June minutes with amendments to reflect corrections to the title, changing ‘Agenda’ to ‘Minutes’, the date from ‘May 15’ to ‘June 19’, and to the year in ‘II. Adoption of Minutes’ from ‘May 2013’ to ‘May 2014’; second by Brock.

Passed with: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 5 Absent.

III. Correspondence

- a. Thank you note from Conor McKay, 2014 Scholarship recipient
- b. Thank you letter from Katherine Robbins, 2014 Scholarship recipient
- c. Email from a Fifth District resident concerned about environmental impacts of the conditions of a neighbor’s residence in Guerneville.
- d. Final Project Report – Steelhead in the Classroom, Grant #174
- e. CA Fish and Game Commission Regulatory Action Notices

IV. Financial Reports – June 2014

Report: June Abalone budget balance is \$523.02; General Fund is \$9,746.42. Crystal makes a note that the June figures are not final due to the closing out of Fiscal Year 2013/14.

Action: Andy makes a motion to accept the minutes as presented; second by Julian.

Passed with: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 5 Absent.

V. Old Business

A. **Petaluma River Habitat Assessment and Restoration Project - United Anglers of Casa Grande High School, Dan Hubacker.** *Second reading*

Report: Crystal asks if there are any further questions or comments. There are none.

Action: Andy makes a motion to approve the grant for the full amount; second by Dagny.

Passed with: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 5 Absent. Grant #179, for \$3,900.

B. **Hospital Flooring - Sonoma County Wildlife Rescue, Linnaea Furlong & Doris Duncan.** *Second reading*

Report: Crystal asks if there are any further questions or comments. As requested at the June meeting, Linnaea reports the total square footage of the flooring area is 598 square feet.

Action: Andy makes a motion to approve the grant for the full amount if Wildlife Rescue will agree to not submit another grant request for a few years. Motion does not get a second. Dagny makes a second motion to approve the grant for the amount of the lowest bid, minus the \$500.00 additional funding from an anonymous donor. The lowest bid amount was \$4,476.00, bringing the total amended amount to \$3,976.00; second by Brock.

Passed with: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 5 Absent. Grant #180, for the amended amount of \$3,976.00.

VI. New Business

a. **Ethan Rothman, Steelhead in the Classroom program coordinator – Final Report on Grant #174**

Report: Ethan Rothman thanks the Board on behalf of Cary Olin from the Water Agency. The program was successful this year. They distributed 13 of the 20 tanks purchased with the grant funds to participating teachers and will save the remaining tanks for next year's program. The cost per classroom was \$250, which, in many cases, is the only way that teachers can afford to participate.

b. **Approval of Changes in Conflict of Interest Code**

Report: Crystal reports that the Board of Supervisors sent out a Biennial Notice to update the Commission's Conflict of Interest Code. The only thing that requires updating is the title in the Code from 'Sonoma County Fish and Wildlife Advisory Board' to 'Sonoma County Fish and Wildlife Commission'.

Action: Dagny makes a motion to accept the Conflict of Interest Code as amended; second by Dave.

Passed with: 7 Ayes; 0 Nays; 5 Absent.

VII. Reports/Comments

- a. Public
- b. Board
- c. The Commission agrees by majority (including input from absent members) to take the month of August off.

VIII. Adjourn

Chairperson Norris adjourned the meeting at 7:52pm.