CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The CARSON CITY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE will hold a public meeting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, September 8, 2014, in the CITY HALL CAPITOL CONFERENCE ROOM, 201 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada.

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER, DETERMINATION OF QUORUM
- 2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**** The public is invited, at this time, to comment on and discuss any topic that is relevant to or within the authority of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife.
- 3. For possible action: APPROVAL OF MINUTES August 11, 2014
- 4. For possible action: ADOPTION OF AGENDA
- 5. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES. Any member of the advisory board who may wish to explain any contact with the public regarding an item on the agenda or business of the advisory board.
- 6. Informational Item: GREETING AND BRIEFING BY CITY MANAGER NICK MARANO
- 7. Informational Item: REPORT AND DISCUSSION OF POINTS OF INTEREST FROM THE MOST RECENT NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING
- 8. For Possible Action: NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS PROPOSED REGULATIONS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: The items addressed hereunder are consent agenda items. They are considered routine and may be acted upon by the Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife with one action and without extensive hearing. Although a member of the advisory board may request an item be pulled for separate discussion and action, the advisory board chair retains discretion in deciding whether or not to pull an item from the consent agenda. There will be no public comment unless an item is pulled for separate discussion and action.
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- 8-C. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 435, ARCHERY CLEANUP, LCB FILE NO. R107-14, CONSERVATION EDUCATION DIVISION ADMINISTRATOR TERESA MOIOLA. The commission will hear a regulation relating to hunting: authorizing the Department to issue an archery disability permit to a person with a permanent disability; revising the definition of "longbow" for certain purposes; revising the circumstances under which a person may use a crossbow to hunt a big game mammal or a bow to hunt a game mammal or game bird; authorizing a person to use a scope permit during a type of hunt that is restricted to bows; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. The regulation will allow for the use of crossbows in archery seasons for hunters with specific disabilities and clarifies archery equipment legal for any bow hunter in an archery season.
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- 8-E. For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 452, TRAIL CLOSURES, LCB FILE NO. R112-14 CHIEF GAME WARDEN TYLER TURNIPSEED. The commission will hear a regulation relating to trapping, other than with a box or cage trap, within 1,000 feet of certain trails and campgrounds, and within one-half mile of certain residences; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. The Department was directed to develop this draft regulation by the commission at the June 20 and 21, 2014 meeting in Tonopah. The regulation will prohibit trapping within 1,000 feet or each side of certain designated hiking trails, campgrounds, picnic areas, and recreation areas, located in a portion of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest in the Spring Mountains National Recreation Area. The regulation expands that prohibition to include the Bonanza Trail, Cold Creek Campground, and Willow Creek Campground located within that portion of the Humboldt-Toiyabe National Forest.
- 8-F. For Possible Action: SPECIAL INCENTIVE ELK ARBITRATION ISSUES EASTERN REGION BIOLOGIST KEN GRAY. An overview of private land elk programs and discussion of issues and problems encountered with the special elk incentive tag arbitration process was provided at the August meeting. Recommendations to improve the system may be selected.

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- **8-G. For Possible Action: TRAPPER EDUCATION CHIEF OF CONSERVATION EDUCATION TERESA MOIOLA.** The commission will hear a follow-up presentation on options for trapper education. Items for consideration may include, among others, regulatory authority, course content development and objectives, course delivery, and associated costs and budget. The commission may take action to provide guidance on the development of related regulations.
- 9. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS OF THE SEPTEMBER 12 AND 13, 2014 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Other than items 8-A through 8-G, above, the remaining items on the attached September 12 and 13, 2014 Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners agenda typically require no action of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife. Occasionally, one or more advisory board members may have a desire to discuss these items and such discussion may result in action in the form of advice or a recommendation by this advisory board to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners. There will be no public comment unless action will be taken on an item.
- 10. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENTS TO UPCOMING WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS
- 11. Informational Item: NEXT CCABMW MEETING. The next meeting of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners is scheduled for November 14 and 15, 2014 in Reno. The next meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife is, therefore, tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 10, 2014.
- 12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
- 13. PUBLIC COMMENT** The public is invited, at this time, to comment on and discuss any matter that is relevant to or within the authority of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife, including any matter that is not specifically included on the agenda as an action item. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda.
- 14. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT

** PUBLIC COMMENT LIMITATIONS - The Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife will provide at least two public comment periods in compliance with the minimum requirements of the Nevada Open Meeting Law prior to adjournment. In addition, it is the advisory board's aspirational goal to also provide for item-specific public comment as follows: In order for members of the public to participate in the public body's consideration of a nonconsent agenda action item, the public is strongly encouraged to comment on such item when called for by the chair during the item itself. No action may be taken on a matter raised under public comment unless the item has been specifically included on the agenda as an item upon which action may be taken. The chair also retains discretion to only provide for the Open Meeting Law's minimum public comment and not call for or allow additional individual-item public comment at the time of the body's consideration of an item when: (1) it is deemed necessary by the chair to the orderly conduct of the meeting; (2) it involves an off-site non-action facility tour agenda item; or (3) it involves any person's or entity's due process appeal or hearing rights provided by statute or the Carson City Municipal Code.

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AGENDA MANAGEMENT NOTICE: Items on the agenda may be taken out of order; the public body may combine two or more agenda items for consideration; and the public body may remove an item from the agenda or delay discussion relating to an item on the agenda at any time.

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NOTICES: The Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife is pleased to make reasonable accommodations for any citizen who wishes to attend this meeting. If special arrangements are necessary, please contact Kathy King at 775-283-7412 or, in writing, at 201 North Carson Street, Suite 1, Carson City, Nevada 89701, as soon as possible.

In accordance with NRS 241.020, this agenda closes three days prior to the meeting day and has been posted before 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at the following locations: Carson City Hall, Carson City Courthouse, Carson City Library, Carson City Community Center, Carson City Planning Division, on the City's website: <u>www.carson.org</u> and on the State's website: <u>https://notice.nv.gov</u>

On some occasions, three or more members of this Advisory Board will be in attendance at Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meetings, which are publicly noticed. These are informational meetings and no action will be taken by the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife on those occasions. Information obtained at the Wildlife Commission meetings may be agendized and acted upon at the next regular meeting of the Advisory Board.

Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners' Meeting

Clark County Government Center Commission Chambers 500 S. Grand Central Parkway Las Vegas, NV 89155 Agenda

Public comment will be taken on every action item after discussion but before action on each item, and is limited to three minutes per person. The chairman, in his discretion, may allow persons representing groups to speak for six minutes. Persons may not allocate unused time to other speakers. Persons are invited to submit written comments on items or attend and make comment during the meeting and are asked to complete a speaker card and present it to the Recording Secretary. To ensure the public has notice of all matters the Commission will consider, Commissioners may choose not to respond to public comments in order to avoid the appearance of deliberation on topics not listed for action on the agenda.

Forum restrictions and orderly business: The viewpoint of a speaker will not be restricted, but reasonable restrictions may be imposed upon the time, place and manner of speech.

Irrelevant and unduly repetitious statements and personal attacks that antagonize or incite others are examples of public comment that may be reasonably limited.

Please provide the Board of Wildlife Commissioners ("Commission") with the complete electronic or written copies of testimony and visual presentations to include as exhibits with the minutes. Minutes of the meeting will be produced in summary format.

NOTE: Public comment allowed on each action item and <u>regulation workshop items</u> and at the end of the meeting

Friday, September 12, 2014 - 2 p.m.

Commission Tour – Informational

The Commission will meet at Hemenway Park, located at 401 Ville Drive, Boulder City, Nev., 89005, to tour the park's new desert bighorn sheep interpretive display, and from there the Commission will proceed to visit and tour the Nevada Department of Wildlife's Aquatic Invasive Species Decontamination Station at Boulder Beach. The public is invited to participate but is required to provide their own transportation.

Saturday, September 13, 2014 – 8:30 a.m.

- 1 Election of Officers Vice Chairman Drew For Possible Action
 In accordance with Commission Policy #1 the Commission will elect a chairman and vice chairman.
- Call to Order, Introduction and Roll Call of County Advisory Board Members to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) – Chairman
- 3 Approval of Agenda Chairman For Possible Action
 The Commission will review the agenda and may take action to approve the agenda.
 The Commission may remove items from the agenda, continue items for consideration or take items out of order.

Member Items/Announcements and Correspondence – Chairman - Informational Commissioners may present emergent items. No action may be taken by the Commission. Any item requiring Commission action may be scheduled on a future Commission agenda. The Commission will review and may discuss correspondence sent or received by the Commission since the last regular meeting and may provide copies for the exhibit file (Commissioners may provide hard copies of their correspondence for the written record).

5 County Advisory Boards to Manage Wildlife (CABMW) Member Items – Informational

CABMW members may present emergent items. No action may be taken by the Commission. Any item requiring Commission action will be scheduled on a future Commission agenda.

6* Approval of Minutes – Chairman - For Possible Action

The Commission may approve Commission minutes from the August 2014 Commission meetings.

<u>Commission Regulations - Workshop - Public Comment Allowed</u>

7* Commission General Regulation 439, Water Ski Towable Device, LCB File No. R108-14 – Game Warden Captain David Pfiffner

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9* Commission General Regulation 435, Archery Cleanup, LCB File No. R107-14 Conservation Education Division Administrator Teresa Moiola

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11* Commission General Regulation 452, Trail Closures, LCB File No. R112-14 - Chief Game Warden Tyler Turnipseed - Informational – Public Comment Allowed

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12* Special Incentive Elk Tag Arbitration Issues – Eastern Region Biologist Ken Gray – For Possible Action

An overview of private land elk programs and discussion of issues and problems encountered with the special elk incentive tag arbitration process was provided at the August meeting. Recommendations to improve the system may be selected.

13* Trapper Education – Chief of Conservation Education Teresa Moiola – For Possible Action

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14 Reports – Informational

A Sage-grouse and Sagebrush Ecosystem Council Update - Secretary Tony Wasley and Commissioner Drew

An update on the status of the sage-grouse will be provided as well as an update on the Sagebrush Ecosystem Council.

- **B*** Litigation Report Senior Deputy Attorney General David Newton
- C Department Activity Report Secretary Tony Wasley
 Director Wasley will provide a report on recent Department activities.
- D Commission Meeting Videoconferencing Deputy Director Patrick Cates
 A report will be provided on Commission videoconferencing.

15 Future Commission Meetings and Commission Committee Assignments - Secretary Tony Wasley and Chairman - For Possible Action

The next Commission meeting is scheduled for Nov. 14 and 15, 2014, in Reno, and the Commission will review and discuss potential agenda items for that meeting. The Commission may change the time and meeting location at this time. The chairman may designate and adjust committee assignments as necessary at this meeting.

16 Public Comment Period

Persons wishing to speak are requested to complete a speaker's card and present it to the recording secretary. Public comment will be limited to three minutes. No action can be taken by the Commission at this time; any item requiring Commission action may be scheduled on a future Commission agenda.

*Support material provided and posted to the NDOW website (ndow.org), and updates to support material will be posted at ndow.org. Support material for this meeting may be requested from Recording Secretary Suzanne Scourby at (775) 688-1599; supporting material for this meeting is available for the public at the Nevada Department of Wildlife, 4660 Kietzke Lane, Suite B-118, Reno, NV, 89502. In accordance with NRS 241.020 this agenda closes three days prior to the meeting date and has been posted on the NDOW website at NDOW.org and at the following Department of Wildlife offices: 1100 Valley Road, Reno, NV, 89512; 380 W. "B" Street, Fallon, NV, 89406; 815 E. Fourth Street, Winnemucca, NV 89445; 60 Youth Center, Elko, NV, 89801; 1218 N. Alpha Street, Ely, NV 89301; 744 S. Racetrack Road, Henderson, NV 89015; and 4747 W. Vegas Dr., Las Vegas, NV, 89108. Notice to the Public: Nevada Department of Wildliffe receives Federal Aid in Fish and/or Wildliffe Restoration. The U.S. Department of the Interior prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability. Individuals with hearing impairment may contact the Department at 775-688-1500 via a text telephone (TTY) telecommunications device by first calling the State of Nevada Relay Operator at 1-800-326-6868. Disabled individuals in need of special services should contact the Department prior to the meeting at (775) 688-1599.

DRAFT MINUTES

Regular Meeting

Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife Monday August 11, 2014 ● 5:30 PM City Hall Capitol Conference Room 201 North Carson Street, Carson City, Nevada

Board Members:

Chair – Doug Martin Member – James Powell Member – Gil Yanuck Vice Chair – Stan Zuber Member – John Valley

Staff:

Tamar Warren, Deputy Clerk/Recording Secretary

NOTE: A recording of these proceedings, the board's agenda materials, and any written comments or documentation provided to the recording secretary during the meeting are public record. These materials are on file in the Clerk-Recorder's Office, and available for review during regular business hours.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM (5:34:12) – A quorum was present.

Attendee Name	Status	Arrived
Doug Martin	Present	
Stan Zuber	Present	
James Powell	Absent	
John Valley	Absent	
Gil Yanuck	Present	

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

(5:35:15) – CK Baily reported that due to significant runoff from the Topsy Lane area into Baily Pond, the September Kids Fishing Day will be postponed to May 2, 2015. Chairperson Martin noted that this day would coincide with the Ducks Unlimited event and wished to coordinate an afternoon activity with Mr. Baily.

(5:58:58) – Joel Blakeslee of the Nevada Trappers Association, clarified that he was speaking as a private citizen and expressed concern that [the Commission's] regulation language was being written prior to County Advisory Board (CAB) input. He wished to see such language originate in workshops.

(5:39:41) - CK Baily was informed that trespassing would be discussed at the next Commission meeting.

3. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES – June 16, 2014.

(5:40:09) - MOTION: I move to accept the June 16, 2014 meeting minutes as written.

RESULT: APPROVED (3-0-0)

MOVER: Zuber

SECONDER: Yanuck

AYES: Martin, Yanuck, Zuber

NAYS: None

ABSTENTIONS None

ABSENT: Powell, Valley

4. FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA.

(5:40:24) - Chairperson Martin suggested discussing agenda item 6 after the arrival of Juan Guzman, Open Space Manager.

(5:41:00) - MOTION: So moved.

RESULT:

APPROVED (3-0-0)

MOVER:

Yanuck

SECONDER:

Zuber

AYES:

Martin, Yanuck, Zuber

NAYS:

None

ABSTENTIONS

None

ABSENT:

Powell, Valley

6. Informational Item: DISCLOSURES. () – There were no disclosures from the Board members.

5. INFORMATIONAL ITEM: DISCLOSURES.

(5:41:16) — Member Yanuck disclosed that he had been contacted by Supervisor Karen Abowd regarding an injured deer on a residential property. He noted that the deer had to be put down by the Sherriff's Department, and instructed all residents not feed or give water to wildlife.

(5:45:49) – Vice Chairperson Zuber noted that he had received several emails regarding agenda item 8D and trespassing regulation changes.

(5:46:05) – Chairperson Martin disclosed the receipt of several emails regarding agenda item 8D. He also noted that he had discussions with Mr. Guzman and Myrna Zumwalt, Secretary/Treasurer of the Sierra Nevada Retriever Club. Chairperson Martin also disclosed receiving a phone call from the Chairman of the Lander County Wildlife Advisory Board regarding future discussions on elk hunting practices.

- 6. Informational Item: PRESENTATION BY OPEN SPACE / PROPERTY MANAGER JUAN GUZMAN REGARDING THE PRISON HILL / SILVER SADDLE RANCH AREAS, INCLUDING DISCUSSION OF A "WATER DOG" FACILITY AND THE TRANSFER OF BLM PROPERTY TO CARSON CITY.
- (6:41:30) Chairperson Marin introduced the item and Juan Guzman, Carson City Open Space Manager.

(6:45:25) – Mr. Guzman gave background and distributed a draft copy of the Open Space Management Plan for the Andersen and Jarrard Ranches, incorporated into the record. He also noted that he was in favor of using the wetlands as a retriever training facility since it did not involve any other enhancements such as a parking lot, paved roads, etc. Mr. Guzman gave the archery range as an example of using the land as is. He also stated that an attorney for the landowners was not opposed to the idea; however, he wished to receive input from his clients.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(6:56:51) — Myrna Zumwalt, Secretary/treasurer of the Sierra Nevada Retriever Club, and Joe Reinhardt, a member of the Club introduced themselves. Mr. Reinhardt and Ms. Zumwalt agreed with Chairperson Martin that the concept of using the property for retriever training was not to disturb the agricultural operations, burden the lessees, or disturb the nesting waterfowl and the grazing cattle. Mr. Reinhardt explained that the dog events he had attended and judged had made a difference in the economies of cities in which they were held, generating tourism dollars. He also offered to work with Mr. Guzman to make the project a reality.

(7:07:21) – Member Yanuck agreed that with the assistance of the Sierra Nevada Retriever Club, the area could be maintained and taken care of. Discussion ensued regarding the different types of uses.

(7:22:07) – Mr. Guzman gave an update on the transfer of Silver Saddle Ranch from BLM to Carson City. He also invited everyone to an Open Space Management Plan open house on Monday, August 18, 2014, 3-5:45 p.m. in the lobby of the Carson City Community Center, and later to a public hearing on the same day, starting at 6 p.m. during the Open Space Advisory Committee meeting.

(7:26:31) - Chairperson Martin and the Board thanked Mr. Guzman for his service over the years and congratulated him on his retirement.

7. Informational Item: REPORT AND DISCUSSION OF POINTS OF INTEREST FROM THE MOST RECENT NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

(5:47:41) – Member Yanuck reported on the Wildlife Commission meeting he attended on behalf of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife (CCABMW). He stated that the Heritage Projects were passed, and incomplete projects had received extensions and funds were carried over. Member Yanuck also gave a status update on the wild horse litigation, crossbow usage, CAB budgets, and upland game and furbearer seasons and limits. He stated that a dinner was hosted by the "miner's association" as well. In response to a question by Chairperson Martin, Member Yanuck explained that there was much confusion regarding the "what" and "why" of trapping regulations.

8. For Possible Action: NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS PROPOSED REGULATIONS CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: The items addressed hereunder are consent agenda items. They are considered routine and may be acted upon by the Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife with one action and without extensive hearing. Although a member of the advisory board may request an item be pulled for separate discussion and action, the advisory board chair retains discretion in deciding whether or not to pull an item from the consent agenda. There will be no public comment unless an item is pulled for separate discussion and action.

(5:59:54) - MOTION: I move to support agenda item 8A as is, and to remove agenda items 8B, 8C, and 8D from the consent agenda for discussion.

RESULT: APPROVED (3-0-0)

MOVER: Zuber SECONDER: Yanuck

AYES: Martin, Yanuck, Zuber

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS None

ABSENT: Powell, Valley

- 8-A For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 14-11 AMENDMENT NO. 1 APPLICATION PROCEDURES / DATES TURKEY HUNTS MANAGEMENT ANALYST III MAUREEN HULLINGER.
- 8-B For Possible Action: COMMISSION REGULATION 15-01, MIGRATORY WATERFOWL AND WEBLESS BIRD SEASONS, BAG LIMITS, AND SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR WATERFOWL AND WEBLESS BIRDS, PUBLIC HUNTING LIMITED ON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS AND DESIGNATED STATE LANDS 2014 15 SEASON WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST RUSSELL WOOLSTENHULME, WILDLIFE STAFF SPECIALIST MIKE ZAHRADKA

(6:01:02) – Chairperson Martin gave background and introduced the agenda item. He also noted that the reason there is a break in the season is to accommodate youth hunts.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None.

(6:05:40) - MOTION: I move to support the proposed waterfowl hunt as proposed by the Nevada Department of Wildlife (NDOW).

RESULT:

APPROVED (3-0-0)

MOVER:

Yanuck

SECONDER:

Zuber

AYES:

Martin, Yanuck, Zuber

NAYS:

None

ABSTENTIONS

None

ABSENT:

Powell, Valley

8-C For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 450, TRAP VISITATION, LCB FILE NO. R087-14 - ACTING GAME WARDEN CHIEF PAUL DANKOWSKI.

- (6:06:10) Chairperson Martin introduced the item and identified two issues: the connection of the visitation to hunt units and the already-existing rule of prohibiting firearms in congested areas.
- (6:08:15) Member Yanuck cited many reasons such as weather or breakdowns, indicated by the trappers, for not being able to visit a trap within 24 hours.
- (6:14:30) Vice Chairperson Zuber expressed his opposition to the proposed regulation. Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of domestic animals being trapped.
- (6:17:02) Mr. Blakeslee noted that SB 213 prohibited trapping within half a mile of private dwellings in Washoe and Clark Counties. He also noted that he had not received a clear answer when questioning the shortened visitations. Discussion ensued regarding the use of firearms in congested and residential areas.
- (6:21:02) Russell Woolstenhulme of NDOW explained that the restrictions are for any county with a population of over 100,000. He also noted that he measured "trap nights" in addition to the number of traps, adding that the perception was that frequently checking the traps would reduce the suffering of an animal. Discussion ensued regarding the latter, and Member Yanuck noted that it would be counter-productive for a trapper to leave an animal in a trap for long periods of time.

(6:31:22) - MOTION: I move that the Carson City Advisory Board not support the proposed trapping regulation and to retain the 96-hour trap visitation.

(6:32:25) – Vice Chairperson Zuber noted that he was in favor of the Motion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(6:33:10) – Bob Brunner stated that SB 213 required NDOW to "consider" the new regulation. He also cautioned against unintended consequences, citing examples of traps placed by non-professional trappers that have caused issues. Mr. Brunner indicated that when trap times are shortened, trappers would set them closer to the roads and congested areas.

(6:36:20) – CK Baily explained that dog owners had a responsibility to keeps them on a leash, and wished to see the trap visitation timeframe remain unchanged.

(6:38:22) – Mr. Blakeslee explained the process he used for checking his traps which would allow each one to be checked every 48 hours.

RESULT: APPROVED (3-0-0)

MOVER: Yanuck SECONDER: Zuber

AYES: Martin, Yanuck, Zuber

NAYS: None ABSTENTIONS None

ABSENT: Powell, Valley

8-D For Possible Action: COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 451, DEMERIT POINTS FOR TRESPASS AND TRAP VISITATION VIOLATIONS, LCB FILE NO. R088-14 - ACTING GAME WARDEN CHIEF PAUL DANKOWSKI.

(7:29:19) – Vice Chairperson Zuber stated that he had no issues with the idea of demerits; however, this particular proposal included a private land clause, which might involve accidental trespassing and would amount to twelve points. Member Yanuck agreed that hunting and fishing activities may cause one to enter a private property accidentally and questioned the reason behind the high demerit point consequence. Discussion ensued regarding ways of accidentally ending up on private property.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

(7:43:10) – Mr. Brunner gave some historical background on the origination of the proposed regulation. He also expressed concern that the trespassing demerits are equal to "shooting a bighorn sheep out of a helicopter".

(7:46:36) – Mr. Blakeslee noted that he understood the trespass laws "at the county level"; however, he noted that "anytime something bad happens we change the regulation".

(7:48:39) - Chairperson Martin clarified that the agenda item addressed both the trap visitation and trespassing demerits.

(7:48:57) – Mr. Blakeslee explained that the regulation changes were a result of several personal issues between an individual and law enforcement, and provided historical information.

(7:54:02) – Mr. Baily expressed his displeasure over the regulation changes and cited several examples of unmarked areas that would be considered trespassed property unbeknownst to hunters or fishermen.

(7:58:58) - MOTION: I move that the Carson City Advisory Board [to Manage Wildlife] oppose the proposed regulation.

There were no additional public comments.

RESULT:

APPROVED (3-0-0)

MOVER:

Yanuck

SECONDER:

Zuber

AYES:

Martin, Yanuck, Zuber

NAYS:

None

ABSTENTIONS

None

ABSENT:

Powell, Valley

9. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING NON-REGULATORY AGENDA ITEMS OF THE AUGUST 15 AND 16, 2014 NEVADA BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS MEETING.

(8:02:25) - Previously discussed.

10. For Possible Action: DISCUSSION REGARDING ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER COMMITMENTS TO UPCOMING WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETINGS.

(8:02:31) - Chairperson Martin stated that he would attend the upcoming August meeting in Fallon, Member Yanuck would attend the September meeting in Las Vegas, and Vice Chairperson Zuber would attend the November meeting in Reno.

11. Informational Item: NEXT CCABMW MEETING. The next meeting of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners is scheduled for September 12 and 13, 2014 in Las Vegas. The next meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife is, therefore, tentatively scheduled for Monday, September 8, 2014.

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

(8:04:03) – Member Yanuck suggested Inviting the new City Manager, and noted that he had already invited him verbally.

(8:05:04) - Vice Chairperson Zuber requested inviting BLM regarding their resource management plan.

13. PUBLIC COMMENTS

(8:05:54) – Mr. Blakeslee thanked the Board for their time and stated that all the Advisory Boards he had been in contact with had recorded similar votes regarding trapping.

(8:06:50) – Mr. Baily was informed that members of the public could attend the Commission meetings. Mr. Blakeslee clarified that the workshops would take place on Friday and the discussions would take place on Saturday.

14. For Possible Action: ACTION ON ADJOURNMENT (8:10:52) – Vice Chairperson Zuber moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Member Yanuck. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

The minutes of the August 11, 2014 meeting of the Carson City Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife are approved this 8th day of September, 2014.

DOUG MARTIN, Chairman