Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife

Draft of Minutes

Thursday ~ May 4, 2017 ~ 6:00 p.m.

Nevada Department of Wildlife

Conference Room B

1100 Valley Road, Reno, Nevada

MEMBERS

Sean Shea, Chair Michelle Spencer, Vice-chair Meghan Di Rocco, Secretary Arnold Pitts Steven Robinson

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE [Non-action item]

Chair Shea led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL [Non-action item]

Chair Shea called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was established.

PRESENT: Meghan Di Rocco, Arnie Pitts, Steve Robinson, Sean Shea and Michelle Spencer.

ABSENT: None.

Jen Gustafson – Deputy District Attorney, was also present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS [Non-action item]

Chair Shea commented that he would like to see the NDOW website have a front page similar to that of the State of Utah (copy on file).

Chris Hampson - NDOW, recommended that Chair Shea contact Aaron Meir or Chris Vasey on the matter.

Meghan Di Rocco questioned when she should be receiving the informational packet from NDOW.

Chair Shea noted that the informational packets are typically received the Saturday before the Washoe County meeting.

4. APPROVAL OF MARCH 16, 2017, MINUTES (For possible action)

Hearing no public comment Chair Shea asked for board discussion or a motion.

It was moved by Member Pitts, seconded by Chair Shea, to approve the March 16, 2017, minutes, as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

5. BOARD MEMBER MEETING ASSIGNMENT [Non-action item] – A discussion and selection of member(s) to attend the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meetings on: 1) May 12 and 13, 2017, in Reno, Nevada; and 2) June 23 and 24, 2017, meetings in Minden, Nevada.

Chair Shea noted that the upcoming June meetings would be held in Las Vegas not Minden, Nevada.

Chair Shea will attend the two meetings in Reno and plans to attend the June 23 and 24, 2017 meeting in Las Vegas as well.

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- 6. COMMITTEE, MEMBER AND LIAISON UPDATES [Non-action items]
- **6-1).** Correspondence (including sportsmen's concerns) and Announcements Chair Shea drew attention to the CAB process recently distributed (copy in file) and stated he would be attending the May 11, 2017, Wildlife Heritage Committee meeting at the Sierra Center Parkway NDOW offices. Chair Shea also noted correspondence from Rex Flowers (copy on file). Chair Shea noted he had attended the April 1, 2017, legislative meeting and that the items presented seemed rather straight forward. However, it is unclear how the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners will handle the matter.
- **6-2).** Overview of the March 24 and 25, 2017, meetings of the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners There was no report on the March 24 and 25, 2017, Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners meetings.
- 7. PRESENTATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2017 DRAFT PREDATION MANAGEMENT PLAN (FINAL DRAFT) [For possible action] A review discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify the third and final draft of Fiscal Year 2017 Draft Predation Management Plan.

Chair Shea noted that this had been reviewed previously and asked for public comment.

Rex Flowers commented that he did not see PARC recommendations for 22-01 in the plan and recommended the removal of lion and coyote that adversely affect the Big Horn Sheep populations be incorporated. Additionally, Mr. Flowers recommends that 22-74 not be defunded/suspended and that goals for the removal of Mountain Lions be implemented to increase Big Horn Sheep populations. Additionally predators should be "surgically" removed from Units 011-013 and 014 as deer populations continue to dwindle. Mr. Flowers recommends working with the biologist to determine the best course of action.

Chair Shea closed public comments.

Chair Shea explained that the spot removal for Units 011 through 014 was needed to reduce predators and their detrimental effect on the herd population in those units.

It was moved by Member Spencer to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve the Fiscal year 2017 Predation Management Plan, with the following modifications: 1) add PARC recommendations for 22-01 to the plan to remove predators; 2) fund and retain 22-74 to surgically remove Mountain Lion. Chair Shea seconded the motion with the following amendment that NDOW and the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners review and discuss the PARC recommendations with biologists. Member Spencer accepted the amendment. The motion carried: Members Pitts, Robinson, Spencer and Chair Shea assenting; and Member Di Rocco dissenting.

8. COMMISSION GENERAL REGULATION 466, PARTNERSHIP IN WILDLIFE (PIW) DRAWING [For possible action] – A review discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify proposed changes to Nonresident Restricted Deer Tag, and Changes to Big Game Return Card Questionnaire Deadline, LCB File No. R140-16.

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Chair Shea opened the agenda item noting that this had been reviewed by this body in the past.

Chair Shea asked for public comment.

Rex Flowers suggested that the deadline times listed in Section 6 Item 1 be changed to read by mail no later than 5:00 p.m., January 31 and via internet no later than 11:00 p.m. January 31. This will then bring the language in line with the application process.

Chair Shea closed public comment.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve the proposed changes to Nonresident Restricted Deer Tag, and Changes to Big Game Return Card Questionnaire Deadline, LCB File No. R140-16 with the following modification: that the big game tags only be accepted by the independent contractor designated by the Department no later than 5:00 p.m., by mail; and no later than 11:00 p.m. by internet. The motion carried unanimously.

9. COMMISSION REGULATION 17-13, 2017 BIG GAME QUOTAS FOR THE 2017-2018 SEASON [For possible action] – A review discussion and possible action to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve, deny or otherwise modify Big Game Quotas for the 2017-2018 Season.

Hunt 6151 and 6251 - Resident and Nonresident Black Bear - Either Sex - Any Legal Weapon

Chris Hampson - NDOW, outlined the proposed modifications that are designed to spread the harvest more evenly among the hunt units.

Chair Shea opened public comment.

Rex Flowers recommended that the quota be based strictly on the supply, demand and hunter success rate with a total of 53 tags; 48 resident tags and 5 non-resident tags with no change in the harvest limit thus providing additional hunt opportunities.

Chair Shea closed public comments.

There was minor discussion about the proposal during which it was noted that access in some areas was limited and to direct hunts to areas where they are more likely to be successful.

It was moved by Member Robinson, seconded by Member Spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 6151 and 6251 - Resident and Nonresident Black Bear — Either Sex — Any Legal Weapon with the following modification increase number of tags to 53, with one additional tag to Nonresident. The motion carried: Members Pitts, Robinson and Spencer assenting; and Member Di Rocco and Chair Shea dissenting.

Hunt 2151 Resident Antelope – Horns Longer than Ears – Any Legal Weapon

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Chris Hampson - NDOW, noted that proposal includes modest increase for all hunts due to carrying capacity concerns. Although the survey showed some concerns about the total numbers due to winter weather conditions the trend was towards a more conservative approach. Mr. Hampson noted that summer range conditions are improved with water sources already in place. Mr. Hampson noted that herd populations disbursed in a variety of directions during wildfires and that tag number are rounded to the nearest 5.

Hearing no public comment Chair Shea asked for Board discussion or a motion.

Mr. Hampson noted that there is still a sufficient supply of brush and that habitat in Unit 022 is mostly intact on the Virginia Range.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 2151 Resident Antelope – Horns Longer than Ears – Any Legal Weapon, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 2171 Resident Antelope – Horns Longer Than Ears - Muzzleloader</u>

Chris Hampson - NDOW, commented that there was a slight decrease in Unit 011.

Hearing no public comment Chair Shea asked for Board discussion or a motion.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 2171 Resident Antelope Horns Longer than Ears Muzzleloader, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Hunt 2161 Nonresident Antelope - Horns Longer Than Ears - Archery

Chris Hampson - NDOW, noted similar modifications noting that the number of tags in the Sheldon had been reduced by 4.

Hearing no public comment, Chair Shea asked for Board discussion or a motion.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Pitts, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 2161 Nonresident Antelope Horns Longer Than Ears – Archery, as written. The motion carried: Members Pitts, Robinson, Spencer and Chair Shea assenting; and Member Di Rocco dissenting.

Hunt 2181 Resident Antelope – Horns Shorter Than Ears – Any Legal Weapon

Chris Hampson - NDOW, outlined the modifications noting that a Doe hunt was typically used if there is an increase in the herd populations.

Chair Shea opened public comment.

Rex Flowers outlined his concerns and opposition to the recommended Doe hunt in order to grow the

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herd. However, such a hunt may be appropriate when the population starts to exceed carrying capacity. Mr. Flowers suggested a quota of 2 for Washoe County.

Chair Shea closed public comment.

Chair Shea concurred with NDOW recommendations.

It was moved by Member Robinson, seconded by Chair Shea, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 2181 Resident Antelope horns Shorter Than ears Any Legal Weapon, as written. The motion carried: Members Pitts, Robinson, Spencer, Chair Shea assenting; and Member Di Rocco dissenting.

<u>Hunt 2251 – Nonresident Antelope – Horns Longer Than Ears – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Hearing no public comment Chair Shea asked for Board discussion or a motion.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Pitts, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 2251 – Nonresident – Antelope – Horns Longer Than Ears – Any Legal Weapon as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 2261 – Nonresident Antelope – Horns Longer Than Ears – Archery</u>

Hearing no public comment Chair Shea asked for Board discussion or a motion.

It was moved by Member Pitts, seconded by Chair Shea, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 2261 Nonresident Antelope horns longer Than ears Archery, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 3151 Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chris Hampson – NDOW, noted that the populations are doing well based on the fall survey despite disease issues. Mr. Hampson noted the minor modifications to tag allocations. Mr. Hampson noted that there is still a private land access issue in Unit 195 that prevents access to some areas.

During the discussion it was explained that the modeling process had shown poor recruitment in the past and has resulted in some more mature rams.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 3151 Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Hunt 3251 Nonresident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon

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Chris Hampson – NDOW, outlined the minor modification that provides a 2 tag increase with new units added in the early and late hunts. Mr. Hampson noted that the ending date should read December 20 for nonresidents un Unit 263.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Pitts, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 3251 Nonresident nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon as written with the following modification change the ending date to December 20 for nonresidents in Unit 263. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 3181 Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chris Hampson – NDOW, noted the slight increases and decreases in the four units for desert ewes.

There were no public comments.

Responding to Member Robinson's inquiry about transplanting, Mr. Hampson explained that there had not been a significant decrease in populations given the density seen at guzzlers. Mr. Hampson noted that water in Southern Nevada areas is critical and that the reduction in herd sizes through ewe hunt is being used. Mr. Hampson noted that excess populations cannot be moved given the current disease issue and that a recent test result is hoped to be found to be a false positive. The eliza strain is being tested for and has been seen in surround herd populations.

Mike Scott – NDOW, commented that the additional tags allow additional hunt opportunity and that the populations need to be reduced. It is unclear whether the State of Utah will accept a transplant at this time.

It was moved by Member Pitts, seconded by Chair Shea, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 3181 Resident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 3281 Nonresident Nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chris Hampson stated that the same increase had been applied to the Nonresident hunt as well.

There were no public comments.

Chair Shea drew attention to the reduction in the number of Resident tags and that the nonresident tag allocation had not changed.

Mike Scott – NDOW, explained that the modification may be the result of rounding.

It was moved by Member Pitts, seconded by Chair Shea, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 3281 Nonresident nelson (Desert) Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

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<u>Hunt 8151 Resident California Big Horn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chris Hampson - NDOW, outlined the modification that reduced the number of tags in Washoe County in Unit 012. Mr. Hampson noted the difficulties in locating mature rams for harvest in the early half of the season. Mr. Hampson commented that one hunter had stayed the entire season and did identify 8 mature rams.

Rex Flowers noted that he and others may be running out of time to use their bonus points and questioned the additional tag for nonresident and recommended that residents be the first to receive any additional tags.

Chair Shea closed public comment.

Chair Shea commented that he had similar concerns.

Mike Scott – NDOW, commented that the Nonresident tag had been removed from Unit 031 with a specific unit added for nonresidents.

It was moved Chair Shea, seconded by Member Spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 8151 Resident California Big Horn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon with the following modification: Unit 032 quota of 12 rather than 11. The motion carried unanimously.

Hunt 8252 Nonresident California Bighorn Sheep - Any Ram - Any Legal Weapon

Chris Hampson - NDOW, commented that one additional tag had been added to unit 032 with a decrease from 2 tags to 1 tag in other unit.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 8252 Nonresident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram - Any Legal Weapon with the following modification: decrease the number of tags from 3 to 2 tags in Unit 032. The motion carried unanimously.

Hunt 8181 Resident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon

Chris Hampson noted habitat issues related to the drought and improvements seen with the additional precipitation has improved the habitat and will not necessitate the taking of any Ewes.

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Member Pitts, seconded by Chair Shea, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 8181 Resident California Bighorn Sheep – Any Ewe – Any Legal Weapon as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Hunt 9151 Resident Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal Weapon

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Chris Hampson - NDOW, noted the tag increase from 5 to 6 and the split seasons providing four seasons and three units.

There were no public comments

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 9151 Resident Rocky Mountain Bighorn Sheep – Any Ram – Any Legal weapon, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>HUNT 7151 Resident Mountain Goat – Any Goat – Any Legal Weapon and Hunt 7251</u> Nonresident-Any Goat- Any Legal Weapon

Chris Hampson – NDOW, noted that the tags were reduced by 5 this year with 3 removed from Unite 101 and 2 in Unit 102 with no change to Unit 103. In part the reduction is due to lower recruitment.

There were no public comments.

During a brief discussion it was noted that 10-percent of tags must be provided to non-residents once a season is set. The modeling process then dropped the Resident tags to eight with one nonresident tag.

It was moved by Member Pitt, seconded by Chair Shea, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 7151 Resident Mountain Goat – Any Goat – Any Legal Weapon and Hunt 7251 Nonresident Mountain Goat-Any Goat- Any Legal Weapon as written. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting recessed at 7:20 p.m. and reconvened at 7:30 p.m.

Chair Shea grouped Hunts 4102 and 4107 together.

<u>Hunt 4102 - Resident Elk - Antlered - Any Legal Weapon Depredation and Hunt 4107 - Resident Elk - Antleress - Any Legal Weapon Depredation</u>

Hearing no public comment Chair Shea asked for Board discussion or a motion.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 4102 – Resident Elk - Antlered – Any Legal Weapon Depredation and Hunt 4107 – Resident Elk – Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon Depredation, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 4151 – Resident Elk Antlered – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chair Shea opened public comment.

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Rex Flowers recommend that the Commission note that the Elk caps seem to be under control and suggest that a reduction in Antlerless Elk Management tags while maintaining the regular antlerless hunt, which allows hunters an opportunity for a Cow hunt.

Chair Shea closed public comments.

Chris Hampson – NDOW, explained that the adjustments better reflected the demand to improve harvest quality. Mr. Hampson noted Units in which the herd populations continue to decline and outlined the modifications by unit.

Mike Scott – NDOW, noted that the survey in 051 indicated approximately 73 bulls with 60 at 6 points. The plan continues to be refined to keep populations at the lower levels.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend to the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunts 4151, 4156, 4651, 4181, 4181 Wilderness only, 4481 – Muledeer Hunt 1331, Hunts 4176, 4476 Muledeer option, 1371, 4111, hunt 4411 option for Muledeer, hunt 4407 option resident Junior Muledeer, hunts 1107, 4151, 4256, 4261, 4281, 4481 Option Muledeer, Hunts 1331, 4276, and 4211, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 1107 Resident Junior Mule Deer – Antlered or Antlerless – Archery, Muzzleloader or Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chris Hampson - NDOW, outlined the modifications noting the statewide ratio of 30 buck to 100 does. Based on survey results a 7-percent decrease in quota was recommended. Mr. Hampson noted that for Unit 021 there are instances of tags being returned from areas such as the Sheldon returned too late for reallocation.

Chair Shea opened public comment.

Rex Flowers suggested that the number of tags be increased in Unit 015 from 10 to 15 giving junior hunters additional opportunity and reduce the number of tags from that resident hunt.

During a brief discussion it was noted that the State of California flies their survey in the fall with the NDOW conducting their aerial surveys in the spring.

Chair Shea closed public comment.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 1107 Resident Junior Mule Deer – Antlered or Antlerless – Archery, Muzzleloader or Any Legal Weapon with the following modification to Unit 015 make it 15 instead of 10 tags. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 1181 Resident Mule Deer – Antlerless – Any Leal Weapon</u>

Chris Hampson - NDOW, drew attention to reduction of approximately 305 tags overall.

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There were no public comments

Mr. Hampson noted that the wildlife has been an issue in the area 6 over the past year and that the additional precipitation has improved habitat conditions.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 1181 Resident Mule Deer Antlerless – Any Legal Weapon, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 1331 Resident Mule Deer – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chris Hampson – NDOW, outlined the minor modifications noting that there is a good fawn to doe ratio with about average hunter success. The reductions are due in part to wildfires in the region as well as some access issues with private lands.

Chair Shea opened public comment.

Mr. Hampson noted that in his conversations with various hunters the hunter success rate of 4 point or better is about 60-percent and appears to be "turning the corner" for the late hunt in Unit 033.

Ray Kebisch questioned how landowner tags were allocated and whether or not the number of landowner tags could be limited.

Mr. Hampson stated that landowner Compensation Tags were at 1.5-percent of the total tags issued and was set by the Nevada Legislature. Mr. Hampson believes there is pending legislation that may increase that number.

Rex Flowers suggested a reduction in 011-013 from 55 to 40 Early and 15 to 10 Late, 40 to 30 in Unit 015 and those reductions would mirror The Junior Hunt. Rex Flowers suggested in unit 021 to reduce 50 to 40.

Chair Shea closed public comments.

During the discussion it was noted that it appears that herds found in Units 014 and 015 may be double dipped. Other discussion pointed out that those herds rarely cross the highway and that the hunter success rate last year was 30-percent. Other discussion noted that the collaring project in the Sheldon provide additional data on herd movements with some going as far north as Oregon.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 1331 Resident Mule Deer – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon with the following modifications: Change Units 011-013 late from 15 to 10 tags; Unit 015 for 40 to 30 tags; and Unit 021 from 50 to 40 tags. The motion carried unanimously.

Hunt 1371 Nonresident Mule Deer - Antlered - Muzzleloader

Chair Shea opened public comment.

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Rex Flowers suggested that Units 011 and 013 be kept at 2 tags and that Unit 014 be reduced to 5.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 1371 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered – Muzzleloader with the following modifications Unit 011 and 013 reduce the number of tags from 4 to 2; and Unit 014 reduce from 7 to 5 tags. The motion carried unanimously.

Hunt 1341 Resident Mule Deer – Antlered – Archery Hunt

There was no specific staff or public comments.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 1341 Resident Mule Deer – Antlered – Archery Hunt, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>Hunt 1331 Nonresident – Mule Deer – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon</u>

Chair Shea opened public comment.

Rex Flowers recommended that Units 011 and 013 early be changed from 3 to 2 tags and that unit 015 mirrors the previous year's quota of 2.

Chair Shea closed public comment.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member spencer, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve Hunt 1331 Nonresident – Mule Deer – Antlered – Any Legal Weapon with the following modification: change Units 011 and 013 early from 3 to 2 tags and Unit 015 from 3 to 2 tags. The motion carried unanimously.

<u>HUNT 1371 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered – Muzzleloader and Hunt 1341 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered Archery</u>

There was no report or public comment.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Robinson, to recommend that the Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners approve HUNT 1371 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered – Muzzleloader and Hunt 1341 Nonresident Mule Deer – Antlered Archery, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Shea noted that landowner tags are preset at 1.5-percent.

10. WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE 2018 AND 2019 MEETING SCHEDULES [For possible action] — A review discussion and possible action to approve, deny or otherwise modify the 2018 and 2019 meeting schedules: 1) 2018 schedule — January 18; March 8; April 26; June 14; August 2; September 13; and October 25, 2018; 2019

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schedule – January 17; March 7; April 25; June 13; August 1; September 12 and October 24, 2019. Chair Shea

There were no public comments.

It was noted during a brief discussion that video teleconference was available and that member needed to review their schedule and make arrangement to attend future meetings.

It was moved by Chair Shea, seconded by Member Spencer, to approve the 2018 and 2019 meeting calendars as written. The motion carried unanimously.

11. WASHOE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD TO MANAGE WILDLIFE MEMBERS AND/OR STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS, REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION AND SELECTION OF TOPICS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS [Non-action item] – Selection of additional agenda item(s) for the next meeting is June 15, 2017.

It was suggested that there be a presentation and possible discussion about changing the method and number of landowner compensation tags.

12. PUBLIC COMMENTS [Non-action item]

Rex Flowers expressed his appreciation to NDOW for the Big Game Status book and having staff present to address concerns.

14. ADJOURNMENT [Non-action item]

Chair Shea adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.