

MODOC COUNTY
FISH, GAME & RECREATION COMMISSION
202 W 4TH STREET
ALTURAS, CA 96101

MINUTES – May 29, 2019

The meeting of the Modoc County Fish, Game and Recreation Commission was called to order by Chairman Chris Ratliff at 6:00 pm.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Dion Ditmore, Bryce O’Sullivan, Pete Carey, Chris Ratliff, Cheryl Kunert, Dewayne Matthews, Paul Molder and Mark Moriarity.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Brian Gallaher, Patricia Cantrall, Claude Singleton and Sean Curtis.

Minutes from the April 24, 2019 meeting were approved as presented.

CORRESPONDENCE:

California Fish and Game Commission

- Notice that May 16, 2019 teleconference meeting would audio broadcast via internet.
- Notice of May 16, 2019 teleconference meeting agenda posted to website.
- Notice of proposed regulation changes concerning the use of traps to take hagfish had posted.
- Notice that May 16, 2019 meeting of the Wildlife Resources Committee had posted to website.
- Announcement that CFGC would launch new website May 13, 2019.
- Notice of adoption of proposed regulatory actions relative to Mammal Hunting Regulations.
- Notice that the June 12 – 13, 2019 meeting agenda had posted to website.

BLM

- Notice of Categorical Exclusion for purpose of administering the Widow Mountain Hazard Tree Removal Project.

Modoc National Forest

- News Release – Obsidian collection season opens June 11.
- News Release – Rush Creek Estates, Fire Safe Council and Modoc National Forest prepare for wildfire.
- News Release – Holiday recreation opportunities and office hours on the Modoc National Forest.

MATTERS INITIATED BY THE PUBLIC:

Patricia Cantrall thanked the Commissioners for their help with the Veteran’s Sportsman’s Day at the Likely Golf Course.

AGENCY REPORTS:

DFW: Brian Gallaher reported that fishing was pretty hot and West Valley Reservoir was getting a lot of use. He also reminded the Commission that the lead ban would be fully implemented on July 1st.

BLM: Claude Singleton reported that the Pit River Campground was open. And that the Great Basin Institute Crews were doing work on area springs.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Expo Fishing Pond: Everything is ready to go just need to nail down times.

OLD BUSINESS

Guzzlers: Paul had picked up a guzzler in Susanville that should be installed in June. He also reported that the BLM had done maintenance on three guzzlers down near Fall River Mills.

Hwy 139: Paul reported that road kills had been minimal.

Modoc's Deer Populations: Nothing further, remove from agenda.

Archery: Nothing further, remove from agenda.

CDA Fawn Survival in Hay Fields: Nothing further, remove from agenda.

SB 395 – Wildlife Traffic Safety Act: Paul presented the letter he wrote. Mark Moriarity made a motion to accept the letter and send; seconded by Dewayne Matthews. All present in favor.

Fish Pack-In: Chris called the hatchery to ask about the oxygen tablets and they are on back order. He is also trying to get ahold of Alan Cain to find out number of pack animals.

Recreation Tech Funding: This position would cover garbage pickup and maintenance to camp grounds in the Warner Mountains. After discussion, the Commission tabled until next meeting.

Veterans Sportsman's Day: Nothing at this time.

2019-2020 Budget: Cheryl asked to table this until the July or August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

None at this time.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Likely Volunteer Fire Department Golf Tournament & BBQ: Dewayne Matthews reported that the golf tournament and BBQ would be held June 9th at 4:00 pm at the Likely Golf Course.

There being no further business to come before this Commission, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,


Cheryl Kunert, Secretary