

# FISH & WILDLIFE COMMISSION MEETING MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, November 15, 2012 - 7:00 p.m.

| Commissioners  | Commissioners      | Others:                                       |
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| Attending:     | Absent:            |   |
| David Cook     | Jo Bentz           | Doris Duncan, Sonoma County Wildlife Rescue   |
| Brock Dolman   | Caroline Christian | Jeff Mazzeo, Sonoma County Regional Parks     |
| Al Ferris      | Jim Lynch          | Lisa Micheli, Pepperwood Preserve             |
| Al Gerhardt    |                    | James Reed, Department of Fish & Game, Warden |
| Jeff Holden    |                    |   |
| Don McEnhill   |                    | Karen Giovannini, Commission Secretary        |
| Julian Meisler |                    |   |
| Crystal Norris |                    |   |
| Andrew Pozzi   |                    |   |
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#### Call to Order

Chairperson Norris called the meeting to order 7:04 pm.

### **Adoption of Minutes**

**Report**: Crystal asks if there are any additions or corrections to the August 2012 minutes.

**Action**: Al Ferris makes a motion to accept the August minutes as presented with a second by Al Gerhardt.

Passed with Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Absent: 3, Abstain: 0.

#### Correspondence

- A. Correspondence from California State Fish & Game Commission regarding various regulatory actions.
- B. Letter from neighborhood regarding the P.L.A.N. (Paula Lane Action Network) was sent to the Commissioners in their meeting packets.

# **Financial Reports**

**Report**: August, September and October 2012 financials were presented. The balances as of October 31, 2012 in the Abalone fund was \$500.00, and the General Fund was \$56,272.50.

**Action**: Andrew Pozzi makes a motion to accept the August, September and October 2012 Financial Reports as presented with a second Al Ferris.

Passed with Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Absent: 3, Abstain: 0.

#### **Old Business**

A. Franchesca Smith and Doris Duncan with Sonoma County Wildlife Rescue Center regarding North American River Otter Rehabilitation Pond. *Second reading*.

**Report**: Doris presented a slide show along with a history of the project.

**Action**: Al Ferris makes a motion to approve a partial funding of \$2,000 for the North American River Otter Rehabilitation Pond. The motion was not seconded. Motion died. Andy Pozzi makes a motioned to deny funding for the project with a second by Jeff Holden. Passed with Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Absent: 3, Abstain: 0.

B. Dr. Lisa Micheli with Dwight Center of Conservation Science at Pepperwood regarding Quantifying Wildlife Occupancy Using the Wildlife Picture Index (WPI). Second reading.

**Action**: Brock Dolman makes a motion to approve the grant in the amount of \$5,368.00 with a second by David Cook.

Passed with Ayes: 8, Nays: 1, Absent: 3, Abstain: 0.

Grant #166

C. Jeff Mazzeo with Sonoma County Regional Parks – Doran Park, Bodega Bay regarding Crab Sizing/Limit Signs. *Second reading*.

**Action**: Al Gerhardt makes a motion approve the grant in the amount of \$894.60 with a second by Andrew Pozzi.

Passed with Ayes: 9, Nays: 0, Absent: 3, Abstain: 0.

Grant #167

#### **Scholarship Committee Update**

None

#### **New Business**

None

# **Reports/Comments**

Public - None

Board: Dave Cook gave a brief report that the numbers of Coho and Steelhead in the Russian River are up which is a good sign.

Brief discussion of the Paula Lane correspondence, Crystal reported that she responded to David Rabbit's assistant that the Fish & Wildlife Commission did not want to take action, stating that the City of Petaluma (also included in the correspondence) should have jurisdiction.

# <u>Adjourn</u>

The meeting adjourned at 8:05pm.

Next meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. on January 17, 2013, please note there will be no meeting in December 2012.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Giovannini Commission Secretary