

Mono County Fisheries Commission
Wednesday, May 3, 2017 ~ 10am
June Lake Community Center
90 Granite Ave, June Lake, CA 93529

MINUTES

Attending: Morton, Jones, Pa261rker, Burak, Anthony, Mueller

Staff: Simpson

Others: Jim Erdman, Todd O'Banion

1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order by the chair at 10:03am
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was made.
3. INTRODUCTIONS: Introductions were made.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (4-5-17) A MOTION WAS MADE BY MORTON, SECONDED BY ANTHONY, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 5, 2017 REGULAR MINUTES AS WRITTEN. MOTION APPROVED 6-0, NO ABSTENTIONS.
6. STAFF/COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS: Mr. Anthony suggested the return of commission commuting reimbursement. An agenda item would be established next meeting to discuss further.
7. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE UPDATE: Mr. Erdman reported on opening day of fishing season including 28,000 pounds of fish that were stocked into Crowley Lake. Mr. Erdman said California Fish and Wildlife strives to reach a goal of one 15 inch fish per hour per angler on opening day. He reported they fell just short of their goal this season.
8. MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE
 - Fish and Game Fine Fund - \$16,000 Starting Balance. \$3,599 Remaining (\$3,500 Eastern Sierra Wildlife Care, \$7,901 Fish Stocking, \$1,000 Cal Trout Study)
 - MCFC regular budget - \$25,000 Starting Balance. \$0.12 Remaining. (\$5,000 Spawning Study. \$3,000 for Mammoth Creek Study, \$445.20 for Business Cards, \$2,655.68 Fishing Brochure, \$8,899.00 Fish Stocking, \$1,500 Kids Fishing Festival, \$3,500 Trout Unlimited Spawning Study.)
9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Fishmas and Opening Weekend Updates – Staff – The commission discussed fishing on opening day along the entire Eastern Sierra. Topics discussed included water flows, stocking, weather, angler pressure, and tourism. The commission concluded that this year's opening day was on par with the last several years in terms of amount of fisherman and fish caught.
10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Fish Stocking on Lee Vining Creek – Staff - The commission discussed the possibility of stocking fish along Lee Vining Creek. The commission felt it was a necessary location to include in future stocking plans. Since the 2017-18 stocking schedule has already been complete, the commission decided to include them in next year's stocking plans.

11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Letter of Support for SB 187 – Commissioner Mueller: A MOTION WAS MADE BY MORTON, SECONDED BY JONES, TO APPROVE A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR SB 187. MOTION PASSED 6-0, NO ABSTENTIONS.
12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission Update – Staff: Mr. Simpson reported on recent updates with the Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission.
13. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: Mileage Reimbursement for Commissioners, Social Media Marketing.
14. ADJOURNMENT – Next regular scheduled meeting is June 7, 2017 at 10am in June Lake.

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