## Mono County Fish and Wildlife Commission Wednesday, August 2, 2017 ~ 10am June Lake Community Center 90 Granite Ave, June Lake, CA 93529

## **MINUTES**

Attending: Morton, Jones, Anthony, Parker, Mueller, King, Burak Staff: Simpson Others: Supervisor Peters, Jessica Strickland, April Sall, Richard Ernst, Levi Keszery, Dan Lengning

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 10:04am
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was made.
- 3. INTRODUCTIONS: Introductions were made.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Keszery updated the commission on the Caltrout June Lake fuels reduction project. Supervisor Peters updated the commission on the recently formed Mono County Recreational Tasks Force. Mr. Ernst reported Saddlebag Lake was spilling for the first time in many years. Ms. Strickland reported on the difficulty of fish surveying on the June Lake loop this spring and summer due to high flows. Commissioner Burak gave a presentation on winter precipitation in the Eastern Sierra and the effect of water flows associated with snow melt.
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (6-7-17): A MOTION WAS MADE BY KING, SECONDED BY JONES TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> 2017 REGULAR MEETING AS WRITTEN. MOTION APPROVED 6-0 WITH ONE ABSTENTION. (ANTHONY)
- 6. STAFF/COMMISSIONER'S REPORTS: Mr. Simpson reported on the following: Mueller, Morton, Jones and Burak were appointed for another 4 year term to the Mono County Fish and Wildlife Commission expiring in 2021. A \$3,737 had been added to the budget for commissioner travel and board approval would be finalized in September. New business card and Fishing Guides had been printed and will be available next meeting. A recent fishing ad in the Western Outdoor News. Mono County TOT occupancy rate update. Ms. Mueller updated the commission on the success of the annual Kids Fishing Festival that recently took place in Mammoth Lakes. Mr. King updated the commission on backcountry fish stocking by the Department of Fish and Wildlife.
- 7. DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE UPDATE: No Update.
- 8. MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE
  - Fish and Game Fine Fund \$7,500 Starting Balance. \$7,500 Remaining
  - MCFC regular budget \$25,000 Starting Balance. \$25,000 Remaining.
- 9. DISSCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION 2017 Fish Stocking Schedule Update Staff: Mr. Simpson informed the commission that Desert Springs Trout Farm was willing to donate 8,000 pounds of fish into two separate truck loads if Mono County was willing to pay for shipping costs of \$3,500. The commission discussed potential load destinations. A MOTION WAS MADE BY ANTHONY, SECONDED BY KING, TO APPROVE A \$3,500 EXPENDITURE FROM THE MCFC REGULAR BUDGET TO PAY FOR A DONTATED LOAD OF FISH FOR BRIDGEPORT RESERVOIR AND A DONATE LOAD OF FISH FOR SILVER LAKE. MOTION APPROVED 7-0. The Commission also

discussed moving the load going to Saddlebag Lake due to the business being closed but took no action.

- 10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION Social Media Fishing Promotion Commissioner Morton: This item was table until the next meeting.
- 11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION Mono County Economic Development, Tourism and Film Commission Update Staff: No Update.
- 12. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING: Social Media Fishing Promotion moved to the next meeting.
- 13. ADJOURNMENT Next regular scheduled meeting is September 6, 2017 at 10am in June Lake.

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, anyone who needs special assistance to attend this meeting can contact Jeff Simpson at 760-924-4634 within 48 hours prior to the meeting in order to ensure accessibility (see 42USCS 12132, 28CFR 35.130). Meeting materials may be viewed by contacting Jeff Simpson at 760-924-4634.