



Regional Parks

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Director

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY
FISH AND GAME COMMISSION MEETING
268 W. Hospitality Lane, 3rd Floor, Suite #303
San Bernardino, CA 92408
Minutes
Tuesday, July 18, 2023**

Commission Members

Present:

Commissioner David Halbrook	First District
Commissioner James Blocker	First District
Commissioner Robert Olin	Second District
Commissioner Paul Franklin	Third District
Vice Chair Gregg Fresonke	Fourth District
Commissioner Roy Cox	Fifth District

Commission Members

Absent:

Chair Todd M. Richard	Third District
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Staff Present:

Beahta Davis	Director, Regional Parks
Heather Placencia	Executive Secretary, Regional Parks

Guests Present:

Warden Luis Garcia	California Department of Fish & Wildlife
Chanelle Davis	California Department of Fish & Wildlife
Jeff Villepique	California Department of Fish & Wildlife
Warden Walter Douglas	California Department of Fish & Wildlife

Call to Order:

Vice Chair Fresonke called the meeting to order at 1:31 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Vice Chair Fresonke led the Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions:

Introductions were conducted around the room.

**Approval of Minutes from
March 21, 2023:**

Motion: Commissioner Franklin
Second: Commissioner Halbrook
Abstained: None
Minutes approved

Staff Reports:

Mrs. Davis presented the Financial Reports for the past and present fiscal years.

A discussion ensued regarding the Fish and Wildlife Festival funding. Mrs. Davis explained the budget process regarding the Fish and Wildlife Festival funds. Commissioner Franklin inquired about the Sponsorships received for

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the Fish and Wildlife Festival. Mrs. Davis stated she will provide an update at the next Commission meeting.

During the month of August, Regional Parks is hosting their month-long Catfish Derby at Guasti, Glen Helen and Mojave Narrows Regional Parks. Mrs. Davis went over the rules for the Derby.

Other Reports:

None

California Department of Fish and Wildlife:

Warden Garcia, Warden Douglas, and Mr. Villepique went over staffing, budgets and areas of assignment. Warden Garcia and Warden Douglas went over their average citations for the month. Warden Garcia has been at court processing infraction citations. There are more patrons buying the yearly fishing licenses.

Commissioner Franklin presented an idea regarding a collaboration with the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department and Fish and Wildlife to write citations for trash cans in the mountain communities to help with the bear activity. Commissioner Franklin stated he will follow-up with his Board of Supervisor and the Captain of the Yucaipa Sheriff's Station and provide an update at the next Fish and Game Commission meeting.

Unfinished Business

Grant Funding Request from The California Wild Sheep Foundation

Mr. Villepique discussed the California Wild Sheep study which the Commission previously approved Grant Funding. The Commission requested an invoice to be presented, for funding to be released. Mrs. Davis also recommended to the Commission for Mr. Villepique to provide a report on the flight as well as how many sheep were contacted. Mr. Villepique agreed to provide documentation as well as an invoice.

Channel Davis discussed the upcoming pheasant hunts. Commissioner Franklin requested a copy of the advertisement for the pheasant hunts.

2023 Fish and Wildlife Festival

The Commissioners requested more water bottles for next year's event for giveaways. Vice Chair Fresonke liked the location and how the vendor locations were marked ahead of time. There were over 500 vehicles, roughly 2000 patrons, and 40 vendors. The attendance exceeded the Commission's expectations. Commissioner Franklin and Chair Richard assisted with the fishing workshop during the festival. Commissioner Halbrook participated as a vendor for the event and stated Regional Parks did a great job.

Vice Chair Fresonke stated there was great feedback from Turner's Outdoorsman and Bass Pro Shops and both are planning on coming back next year. He discussed the advertising of the event. The Commissioners requested for the Sponsorship trophy to be redesigned for next year.

Commissioner Halbrook made a motion to hold a Fish and Wildlife Festival in 2024. Commissioner Olin second this motion. Motion passed.

Commissioner Franklin made a motion for the Sub-Commission Chair of the Fish and Wildlife Festival to continue to be Vice Chair Fresonke and the Vice Chair of the Sub-Commission to be Commissioner Blocker. Commissioner Halbrook seconded this motion. Motion passed.

Business Cards

Mrs. Davis presented an example of the new business card design and instructions on new orders.

New Business
(Action Items)

Commissioner Olin requested lapel pins. Commissioner Fresonke requested Commissioner shirts.

Commissioner Franklin motioned to submit a proposal to County Counsel for each Commissioner to receive two shirts that state "Fish and Game Commissioner" to identify the Commissioner. Once approval is received, the Commissioners will move forward. Commissioner Blocker seconds this motion. Motion passed.

Mrs. Davis will speak with County Counsel regarding this request and present a follow-up at the next Fish and Game Commission meeting.

Correspondence:

None

Open
Comment/Discussion:

The coyote flyer was presented to the Commissioners.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned 3:21 P.M.

Motion: Commissioner Franklin
Second: Commissioner Blocker
Abstained: None
Motion Carried

Next Meeting:

The next Fish and Game Commission Meeting is scheduled for September 19, 2023.