

# **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, September 19, 2023

**Commission Members** Commissioner James Blocker First District Commissioner Robert Olin Second District Present:

Chair Todd M. Richards Third District Commissioner Roy Cox Fifth District

**Commission Members** Commissioner David Halbrook First District Commissioner Paul Franklin Third District Absent:

Vice Chair Gregg Fresonke Fourth District

**Staff Present:** Beahta Davis Director, Regional Parks

> Jose Canedo Deputy Director, Regional Parks

Heather Placencia Executive Secretary, Regional Parks **Guests Present:** Chanelle Davis California Department of Fish & Wildlife

> Warden Walter Douglas California Department of Fish & Wildlife

Erika Haro Boy Scouts of America Patrick Willard Boy Scouts of America

Chair Richard called the meeting to order at 1:30 P.M. Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance: Commissioner Blocker led the Pledge of Allegiance

Introductions: Introductions were conducted around the room.

**Approval of Minutes from** Motion: Commissioner Cox July 18, 2023:

Second: Commissioner Blocker

Abstained: None Minutes approved

Staff Reports: Mrs. Davis went over the financial report, showing no changes since the

previous meeting. The successful catfish season has ended and the trout

season begins the weekend after Thanksgiving.

Other Reports: None Fish and Game Commission September 19, 2023 PAGE 2 of 3

# Fish and Wildlife:

<u>California</u> <u>Department</u> of Warden Douglas stated they have been busy since July 2023 and discussed new cases with the Commission. Duck season starts September 1, 2023.

> The Commission inquired about archery season. Ms. Chanelle Davis stated they do not get very many reports and discussed the bear activity throughout San Bernardino County and the current population study. Chanelle provided information regarding the upcoming duck hunts. A discussion regarding coyotes ensued at this time as well as the detection of West Nile Virus in San Bernardino County.

> Commissioner Blocker inquired about family duck hunts and Chanelle provided the Commission with further information.

#### **Unfinished Business**

# Grant Funding Request from The California Wild Sheep Foundation

The Commission is still waiting for the final report. Chair Richards will conduct follow up.

# **New Business** (Action Items)

### Boy Scouts of America Possible Grant Request

The Boys Scouts of America conducted a presentation to the Commission as well as requested funding for programs. Mrs. Placencia will send them a grant application for them to submit to the Commission for review.

The Boy Scouts of America are looking for service projects to complete. Mrs. Davis said she will forward the information to Mr. Canedo for contact.

#### Hesperia Recreation and Park District Award

Commissioner Blocker requested for the Commission to provide a replacement for the broken Fish and Wildlife Festival sponsorship plaque to the Hesperia Recreation and Park District.

Motion: Commissioner Cox Second: Commissioner Olin

Abstained: None Motion approved

#### 2024 Fish and Wildlife Festival

Commissioner Fresonke provided a new design for the award for the 2024 festival. This plaque is a wall mount, in the shape of the San Bernardino County arrowhead logo.

Motion: Commissioner Olin Second: Commissioner Blocker

Abstained: None Motion approved

#### Correspondence:

None

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#### <u>Open</u>

## **Comment/Discussion:**

Chair Richards said Commissioner Franklin spoke with the Yucaipa Police and Sheriff's Station and they are waiting on the budget with deputy overtime to assist with citing individuals that leave their trashcans out for bears to eat.

Chanelle inquired about a possible grant to supply bear proof trashcans to the bear communities. Mrs. Davis stated it sounds like a possibility and for her to seek the application online on the Fish and Game Commission

Website.

Meeting adjourned 2:39 P.M. Adjournment:

> Motion: **Commissioner Cox** Commissioner Olin Second:

Abstained: None

**Motion Carried** 

**Next Meeting:** The next Fish and Game Commission Meeting is scheduled for November

21, 2023.