



County of El Dorado

See Below for Meeting
Location

Minutes - Draft Fish and Wildlife Commission

Dennis F. Byrne, Member, District I
Mike Denaga, Member at Large
Stephen E. Horan, Member at Large
Kathie Jermstad, Member, District III
Patrick W. Weddle, Member, District IV
Joby Cefalu, Member, District V
Vacant, Member, District II

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

3:00 PM

<https://edcgov-us.zoom.us/j/96964085640>

330 Fair Ln - Building A, Conference Room A
Placerville, CA OR Live Streamed - [Click here to view](#)
Teleconferencing Location: 3368 Lake Tahoe Blvd # 102, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150

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PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comment will be received at designated periods as called by the Commission Chair.

Individuals will have five minutes to address the Commission. Except with the consent of the Commission, individuals shall be allowed to speak to an item only once.

Individual Commission members may ask clarifying questions but will not engage in substantive dialogue with persons providing input to the Commission.

If a person providing input to the Commission creates a disruption by refusing to follow Commission guidelines, the Commission Chair may take the following actions:

Step 1. Request the person adhere to Commission guidelines. If the person refuses, the Commission Chair may turn off the speaker's microphone.

Step 2. If the disruption continues, the Commission Chair may order a recess of the Commission meeting.

Step 3. If the disruption continues, the Commission Chair may order the removal of the person from the Commission meeting.

CALL TO ORDER AT 3:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Byrne, Denaga, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Commissioner Horan, seconded by Commissioner Cefalu to Adopt the Agenda and Approve the Consent Calendar.

Yes: 6 - Byrne, Denaga, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu

The Commission may make any necessary additions, deletions or corrections to the agenda including moving items to or from the Consent Calendar and adopt the agenda and the Consent Calendar with one single vote. A Commission member may request an item be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion and separate Commission action. At the appropriate time as called by the Commission Chair, members of the public may make a comment on matters on the Consent Calendar prior to Commission action.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. [24-0299](#) Approval of the Minutes from the regular meeting on January 31, 2024.

Attachments: [1-31-2024 Draft Minutes](#)
[1-31-2024 Final Minutes](#)

This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

Yes: 6 - Byrne, Denaga, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

OPEN FORUM

Public Comment: S. Schwarzbach

Open Forum is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Commission on subject matter that is not on their meeting agenda and within their jurisdiction. Public comments during Open Forum are limited to five minutes per person. The Commission Chair may limit public comment during Open Forum.

**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE BIOLOGIST AND WARDEN
REPORTS**

Bob Pera reported on the following:
No updates on enforcement.
Bear containers and negligent wildlife feeding.
New online state licensing system.

Shelly Blair reported on the following:
Deer die off cases.
Youth Hunter Education class March 15th and 16th.
Spring turkey season hunt.
Ervin Ranch will be open to the public July 1st.
Dove banding at Ervin Ranch.
New statewide bear coordinator.

FINANCE REPORT

- 2. [24-0354](#) Finance Report 1/31/2024.

Attachments: [A - Finance Report 1-31-2024](#)

Chair Weddle read the finance report.

AGENDA ITEMS

- 3. [24-0347](#) Commission to receive a presentation about bear containers from representatives of South Tahoe Refuse.

Public Comment: S. Schwarzbach

The Commission received a presentation about bear containers from representatives of South Tahoe Refuse.

- 4. [24-0348](#) Commission to receive an update from staff on recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to consider changing County Ordinance 4437 related to feeding of deer.

Attachments: [A - Ordinance 4437](#)

Ag Commissioner LeeAnne Mila will move this process forward to County Counsel.

- 5. [24-0349](#) Commission to discuss and consider approving funding in the amount of \$2,000 to help fund the American River Conservancy's construction of a hexagonal bench, information center and fish record station. This project will replace the kiosk previously damaged by flooding.

Attachments: [A - ARC Email](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Jermstad, seconded by Commissioner Denaga to:

- 1) Approve funding to the American River Conservancy in the amount of \$2,000 to help fund a hexagonal bench, information center and fish record station; and**
- 2) Funding is contingent upon finding out if there are other funds available in place of the commissions funding.**

Yes: 6 - Byrne, Denaga, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu

- 6. [24-0042](#) Election of the ~~Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer~~ of the Fish and Wildlife Commission for 2024. (Continued from January 31, 2024, item 3)

This matter was Continued to the next regular meeting.

- 7. [24-0346](#) Commission to discuss, update and critique the draft workbook.

The Commission held a discussion about the draft workbook.

- 8. [24-0394](#) Commission to review and discuss the Wildlife Friendly Fencing pamphlet.

Attachments: [A - Wildlife Friendly Fencing V3](#)

Public Comment: S. Schwarzbach

The Commission reviewed and discussed the Wildlife Friendly Fencing pamphlet and shared ideas for distributing the pamphlet once it is finalized.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Jermstad reported on the following:

This is her last meeting as a commissioner.

Attended oak resource ordinance workshop.

Attended Rasmussen Pond development project scoping meeting.

Commissioner Denaga reported on the following:

Remembrance of Ron Mansfield.

Working with American River Conservancy.

Upcoming fishing season.

Commissioner Cefalu reported on the following:

Upcoming meeting with Supervisor Laine about aquatic invasive species in Lake Tahoe.

Thank you to Commissioner Jermstad for her service to the commission.

Commissioner Horan had nothing to report.

Commissioner Byrne reported on the following:

El Dorado Hills Village Green Pond Fishing Derby May 18th.

Update on flashing lights for deer signs on Highway 50 corridor.

Commissioner Weddle reported on the following:

Met with Myrna for workbook updates.

Met with Lisa Morgan.

Worked with Commissioner Denaga on ARC kiosk agenda item.

Reviewed deer fencing pamphlet.

Completed ethics training.

November 15th Sierra Renaissance Society Seminar at the American Legion Hall.

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

There were no legislative reports.

NEXT MEETING: March 27, 2024

ADJOURNED AT 4:59 P.M.