



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, January 31, 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.

CALLED 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

There was no public comment.

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

Yes: 5 - Byrne, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu

Abstained: 1 - Denaga

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. [23-2230](#) Approval of the Minutes from the regular meeting on November 29, 2023.

Attachments: [11-29-2023 Draft Minutes](#)
[11-29-2023 Final Minutes](#)

This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.

Yes: 5 - Byrne, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu

Abstained: 1 - Denaga

END OF CONSENT CALENDAR

OPEN FORUM

There was no public comment.

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:
Slow December, low activity.
Big game season closed.
Waterway stocking.
Small game season closed.

Shelly Blair reported on the following:
El Dorado Ranch update.
Ervin Ranch update.
March 15th and 16th youth hunter education class.

FINANCE REPORT

Commissioner Weddle read the finance report.

- 2. [24-0168](#) Finance Report 12/31/2023.

Attachments: [Finance Report 12-31-2023](#)

AGENDA ITEMS

- 3. [24-0042](#) Election of the Chair, Vice Chair and Treasurer of the Fish and Wildlife Commission for 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Denaga, seconded by Commissioner Jermstad to appoint Stephen Horan as the Commission Vice Chair for 2024.

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Byrne, seconded by Commissioner Denaga to appoint Patrick Weddle as the Commission Chair for 2024.

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

The Treasurer appointment was continued to the next regular meeting due to no nomination or volunteer for the position.

- 4. [24-0169](#) Commission to receive a presentation about bear proof trash containers and discuss funding.

This matter was Continued off calendar.

5. [24-0170](#) Commission to review the following funding requests for approval:
- a. Lake Walton, June 2024, request by Commissioner Weddle in the amount of \$3,200.
 - b. Lumsden Pond, April 2024, request by Commissioner Jermstad in the amount of \$3,500.
 - c. Sawmill Pond, June 2024, request by Commissioner Cefalu in the amount of \$2,000.
 - d. Baron Lake, September 2023, request by Commissioner Cefalu in the amount of \$2,500.
 - e. Serrano Governor's Pond, March 2024, request by Commissioner Byrne in the amount of \$1,000.
 - f. Village Green, date TBD, request by Commissioner Byrne in the amount of \$2,000.
 - g. Fannon Lake, April 2024, request by Commissioner Denega in the amount of \$3,000.
- A. A motion was made by Commissioner Jermstad, seconded by Commissioner Denega to approve funding in the amount of \$3,200 for the Lake Walton Fishing derby in June 2024.**
- Yes:** 6 - Byrne, Denega, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu
- B. A motion was made by Commissioner Cefalu, seconded by Commissioner Horan to approve funding in the amount of \$3,500 for the Lumsden Pond fishing derby in April 2024.**
- Yes:** 6 - Byrne, Denega, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu
- C. A motion was made by Commissioner Jermstad, seconded by Commissioner Denega to approve funding in the amount of \$2,000 for the Sawmill Pond fishing derby in June 2024.**
- Yes:** 6 - Byrne, Denega, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu
- D. A motion was made by Commissioner Jermstad, seconded by Commissioner Horan to approve funding in the amount of \$2,500 for the Baron Lake fishing derby held in September 2023.**
- Yes:** 6 - Byrne, Denega, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu
- E. A motion was made by Commissioner Cefalu, seconded by Commissioner Denega to approve funding in the amount of \$1,000 for the Serrano Governor's Pond fishing derby in March 2024.**
- Yes:** 6 - Byrne, Denega, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu
- F. A motion was made by Commissioner Denega, seconded by Commissioner Jermstad to approve funding in the amount of \$2,000 for the Village Green fishing derby in May 2024.**
- Yes:** 6 - Byrne, Denega, Horan, Jermstad, Weddle and Cefalu
- G. A motion was made by Commissioner Horan, seconded by Commissioner Jermstad to approve funding in the amount of \$1,000 for fish stocking at Fannon Lake in April 2024.**

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

- 6. [24-0172](#) Commission to discuss fencing in El Dorado County.

The Commission held a discussion about fencing in El Dorado County.

- 7. [24-0054](#) Commission to review updated draft bylaws for approval, and upon approval, make a recommendation to submit the draft bylaws to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

Attachments: [A - Draft Redline Fish and Wildlife Commission Bylaws Updated 12-19-2023](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Horan, seconded by Commissioner Jermstad to approve and submit the updated draft bylaws to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

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

COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

Commissioner Byrne reported on the following:
Thank you letters for youth fishing contributions.
Rods and reels program update.

Commissioner Denaga reported on the following:
Climate change relative to fish stocking.

Commissioner Horan reported on the following:
Monthly court meeting attendance coordination.

Commissioner Jermstad reported on the following:
Highway 50 wildlife connectivity project update.
December 15, 2023 Town and Country project tour.
Fire hardening project and effects on ecology.

Commissioner Weddle reported on the following:
Attended January 4, 2024 fencing meeting.
Attended Sportsman's Expo.
Met with Myrna on policy and procedure handbook.
Spoke with Auburn Lake Trails resident regarding deer collision incident.
Contacted sponsors of Lake Walton derby.
Committee and commission workshop.

- 8. [24-0093](#) Commissioner Report attachment - Donation Thank You Letters.

Attachments: [A - Donation Thank You Letters](#)

LEGISLATIVE REPORTS

Commissioner Weddle reported on Senate Bill 772 junior hunting licenses, age of eligibility.

NEXT MEETING: February 28, 2024

ADJOURNED AT 4:52 P.M.