



# County of El Dorado

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Location

## Minutes - Final Fish and Wildlife Commission

*Dennis F. Byrne, Member, District I*  
*Larry Robinson, Member, District II*  
*James Davies, Member, District III*  
*Patrick W. Weddle, Member, District IV*  
*Joby Cefalu, Member, District V*  
*Mike Denaga, Member at Large*  
*Vacant, Member at Large*

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Wednesday, March 27, 2024

3:00 PM

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

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**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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If you choose not to observe the Commission meeting but wish to make a comment on a specific agenda item, please submit your comment in writing. You are encouraged to submit your comment in writing by 4:00 PM on the Tuesday before the meeting to ensure the Commission has adequate time to review. Please submit your comment to the Clerk of the Board at [edc.cob@edcgov.us](mailto:edc.cob@edcgov.us). Your comment will be placed into the record and forwarded to Commission members.

## **PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

Individuals will have three 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:** 5 - Byrne, Denaga, Weddle, Cefalu and Davies

**Absent:** 1 - Robinson

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

**Commissioner Davies Abstained from approval of the February 28, 2024, minutes as he was not yet commissioner.**

**Yes:** 5 - Byrne, Denaga, Weddle, Cefalu and Davies

**Absent:** 1 - Robinson

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. [24-0453](#) Approval of the Minutes from the regular meeting on February 28, 2024.

**Attachments:** [2-28-24 Draft Minutes](#)  
[2-28-2024 Final Minutes](#)

**This matter was Approved on the Consent Calendar.**

**Commissioner Davies Abstained from approval of the February 28, 2024, minutes as he was not yet commissioner.**

**Yes:** 4 - Byrne, Denaga, Weddle and Cefalu

**Absent:** 1 - Robinson

**Abstained:** 1 - Davies

**END OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMISSIONERS**

New Commissioners: Larry Robinson, District 2 and James Davies, District 3

**Chair Weddle introduced and welcomed Commissioner Jim Davies.**

## OPEN FORUM

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 three 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 and Shelly Blair were not in attendance.

Commissioner Weddle spoke about the recent mountain lion incident in the county.

## FINANCE REPORT

2. [24-0516](#) Finance Report 3/27/2024.

Attachments: [A - Finance Report 3-27-2024](#)

Commissioner Weddle and Myra Tow read the finance report.

## AGENDA ITEMS

3. [24-0513](#) Presentation to recognize the following outgoing Commissioners for their service to the Fish and Wildlife Commission:  
Stephen Horan, At-Large  
Eric Harnage, District 2  
Kathie Jermstad, District 3

Chair Weddle presented outgoing Commissioners Kathie Jermstad and Stephen Horan with certificates of appreciation.

Supervisor Turnboo presented outgoing Commissioner Eric Harnage with a certificate of appreciation.

Each of the outgoing commissioners were presented with antique fishery books provided by Commissioner Byrne on behalf of the commission.

4. [24-0510](#) Commission to receive an update from staff LeeAnne Mila regarding the status of recommended updates to Ordinance 4437.

LeeAnne Mila provided an update that she spoke with Danny at County Counsel and the amended recommendations are drafted. The next step is to go to the Board for conceptual approval. LeeAnne will continue to provide updates as the process goes forward.

5. [24-0509](#) Clerk of the Board staff recommending the Fish and Wildlife Commission:  
1) Review the At-Large membership application received from Steven Schwarzbach; and  
2) Consider making a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to appoint Steven Schwarzbach to the commission.

**Attachments:** [A - Steven Schwarzbach Application](#)

**A motion was made by Commissioner Davies, seconded by Commissioner Denaga to make a recommendation to the Board of Supervisors to appoint Steven Schwarzbach as an At-Large member.**

**Yes:** 5 - Byrne, Denaga, Weddle, Cefalu and Davies

**Absent:** 1 - Robinson

6. [24-0514](#) Commission to discuss distribution of the Wildlife Friendly Fencing pamphlet.

**The Commission discussed the residential and agricultural pamphlets currently in draft form. LeeAnne Mila will take the final drafts to the Planning and Building Department for review. LeeAnne will continue to provide updates on the approval process for the pamphlets.**

7. [24-0042](#) Election of the ~~Chair~~, Vice Chair and Treasurer of the Fish and Wildlife Commission for 2024. (Continued from February 28, 2024, item 6)

**This matter was Continued to the next regular meeting.**

## COMMISSIONER REPORTS AND SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

**Commissioner Byrne reported on the following:**

**Serrano Pond Derby May 18th.**

**Working with Cal Trans regarding flashing lights on deer crossing signs on Highway 50.**

**Thank you to Helen in Ag Department for her work on the fencing pamphlet.**

**New Commissioner Davies shared about his experience with wildlife and the outdoors.**

**Commissioner Weddle reported on the following:**

**Enjoyed working with Myrna on workbook.**

**Reviewed agenda and minutes.**

**Analyzing case disposition form from Bob Pera.**

**Reviewed Steven Schwarzbach's application.**

**Contacted new commissioners.**

**Attended last week's Trout Unlimited meeting.**

**April 27th Lumsden Pond Derby.**

**Commissioner Denaga had nothing to report.**

**LEGISLATIVE REPORTS**

There was nothing to report.

**NEXT MEETING: April 24, 2024**

**ADJOURNED AT 4:40 P.M.**