



Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting Minutes
 Thursday, November 20, 2014, 7:00 pm

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Others
Crystal Norris - Chairperson	Dagny Thomas	Patrick Willis, Laguna Foundation
Jim Lynch	David Cook	Michelle Johnson, Ag Comm
Brock Dolman	Don McEnhill	Cary Olin, SCWA
Beth Lamb		James Reed, CDFW
Julian Meisler		Rick Jorgensen, Redwood Emp. TU
Andy Pozzi		Sharon Henderson, Hunter Ed
Al Gerhardt		Tom Henderson, HIE
Jeff Holden		Eric Larson, CDFW
Al Ferris		John Nagle, Gallo
		Bruce MacDonell, RRWSS
		Steve Tubbs, RRWSS
		Lisa Bell, FWC Secretary

I. Call to Order

Chairperson Crystal Norris called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

II. Adoption of Minutes (October 2014)

Report: Crystal asks if there are any additions or corrections to the October 2014 minutes.

Action: A motion was made by Jim to accept minutes. Seconded by Al Gerhardt.

Passed with: 7 ayes, 0 nays, 5 absent. Julian Meisler and Jeff Holden arrived after minutes were adopted.

III. Correspondence

A. Fish and Game Commission notices

IV. Financial Reports

October 2014 reports for General and Abalone Funds.

Report: October Abalone Fund balance is \$350; General Fund is \$30,290.92.

Action: A motion was made by Al Ferris to accept reports. Seconded by Jeff Holden.

Passed with: 9 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

V. Old Business

A. **MacMurray Ranch Porter Creek Project, E & J Gallo Winery.** John Nagle and Jordan Matteri, (707) 490-9392. *Second Reading.*

Report: John Nagle reported on the Porter Creek stream work and showed photos and video. He also brought in an invoice for the work performed by Sonoma County Youth Ecology Corps (SCYEC). At \$4,736, it was higher than the original quote for the work of \$3,750 to cover these cost. Nagle provided



copies of the Voluntary Drought Agreement and legible receipts that were requested. Eric Larson with CDFW spoke of the importance of this creek, and this project, to the Salmon recovery program.

Action: Al Gerhardt made a motion to fund the grant for the full amount of the invoice from SCYEC, \$4,736. Al Ferris seconded this motion. Grant number #181.

Passed with: 9 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

- B. Steelhead in the Classroom Equipment for Educators. Redwood Empire Trout Unlimited.** Richard Jorgenson, (707) 355-1200. *Second Reading.*

Report: Rick Jorgenson reported on the interest of teachers in Sonoma County. Cary Olin of SCWA spoke about the new and continuing collaboration of Trout Unlimited, Russian River Wild Steelhead Society (RRWSS), and the Water Agency on this project. Collaboration of efforts is something the FWC suggested in the past. Eric Larson of CDFW, S. Tubbs and B. McConnell of RRWSS were at the meeting to support this project. Al Gerhardt suggested they update their classroom material to reflect that local agricultural is making behavioral changes to reduce impact on fish habitat. Cary Olin said this would be a good discussion to have in the "Training the Trainers" meeting.

Action: Al Gerhardt made a motion to fund the grant for the full amount \$8,250. Andy Pozzi seconded this motion. Grant number #182.

Passed with: 9 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

VI. New Business

- A. **New floors for SCWR**, before and after photos. Linnaea Furlong, (707) 992-0274.

Postponed until January 2015 meeting.

- B. **Officer Safety Equipment, External Outer Carriers. CA Dept of Fish and Wildlife, Law Enforcement Division.** James Reed, 707-239-9438. *First Reading.*

Report: James Reed reported that grant will provide four Sonoma County Wardens vests with pockets which greatly reduce the short term injury and long term disability risk with the current 25 lb. duty belts. This uniform/equipment purchase has been approved by headquarters in Sacramento. Current price quote is good for 60 days and Jim will confirm pricing at the January meeting. The second reading will be at the January 2015 meeting.

VII. Reports/Comments

- A. Public
B. Board

VIII. Adjourn

Chairperson Norris adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.