

New Mexico State Game Commission New Mexico
Department of Game and Fish

July 21, 2023

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Meeting Called to Order

09:13:42 a.m. (00:00:00)

Called to order by Vice-chairman Tirzio Lopez.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Introduction of Guests took place before Agenda Item No. 2.

09:14:00 a.m. (00:00:18)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Roll Call

09:17:30 a.m. (00:03:48)

Present in person: Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Present virtually: Commissioner Fulfer.

Excused: Commissioner Garcia.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of Agenda (Action Item)

09:18:06 a.m. (00:04:24)

Motion: Move to approve the agenda as written.

Motion by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Seconded by: Commissioner Clemente.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Consent Agenda (Action Item)

09:18:33 a.m. (00:04:51)

Motion: Move to approve the minutes from the April 28, 2023 meeting as submitted by the Department.

Motion by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Seconded by: Commissioner Clemente.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

The Department notified the commission of the revocations or suspensions carried out pursuant to the Parental Responsibility Act, those who have failed to pay a penalty assessment citation within 30 days, those who failed to appear in court on a wildlife citation, individuals who have pending civil assessments, and the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact. The Department also presented the individuals that meet established criteria for the revocation of their hunting, fishing, trapping, guiding and outfitting privileges or other privileges or authorities granted by an agreement, license or permit issued by the Department.

Motion: Move to accept the revocation recommendations as submitted by the Department with one modification to increase the revocation for Victor Corral from 3 years to 5 years.

Motion by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Seconded by: Commissioner Clemente.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: General Public Comments

09:35:45 AM (00:22:03)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Executive Session (Closed to the Public)

10:03:19 AM (00:49:37)

Motion: Move to adjourn into executive session, closed to the public, pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(8) NMSA 1978, to discuss property purchase, acquisition or disposal; Section 10-15-1(H)(7) NMSA 1978, attorney-client privilege, litigation update (discussion).

Motion by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Seconded by: Commissioner Clemente.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 This item was inadvertently excluded from the written agenda due to a clerical error.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Actions on Items from Executive Session (Action Item(s))

11:26:12 a.m. (02:12:30)

Motion: Move to approve the sale of the Richards Avenue Property to the City of Santa Fe at the last agreed-upon value.

Motion by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Seconded by: Commissioner Clemente.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Motion: Move to allow the Department to partner with the City of Raton to purchase the Bartlett Mesa property using available federal funds to purchase the property from The Nature Conservancy.

Motion by: Commissioner Clemente.

Seconded by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Motion: Move to initiate litigation regarding the Bert Clancy Wildlife Management Area.

Motion by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Seconded by: Commissioner Clemente.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Garcia, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Migratory Bird Rule (19.31.6 NMAC) Hearing (Action Item)

11:29:37 a.m. (02:15:55)

The Department presented proposed changes to the Migratory Game Bird Rule (19.31.6 NMAC) based on public comment, the latest information from the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), recent survey information and management goals. Season selections and bag limits are determined in conjunction with the USFWS working through the Central and Pacific Flyway Councils.

Motion: Move to adopt proposed changes to 19.31.6 NMAC as presented by the Department and allow the Department to make minor corrections to comply with filing this rule with State Records and Archives.

Motion by: Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

Seconded by: Commissioner Clemente.

Approved: Unanimous - Vice-chairman Lopez, Commissioner Clemente, Commissioner Fulfer and Commissioner Salazar Hickey.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Furbearer Rule (19.32.2 NMAC) Opening (Discussion)

11:36:50 a.m. (02:23:08)

The Department presented perspectives on changes to the Trapping and Furbearer Rule (19.32.2 NMAC) based on public comment, harvest and biological data collected and information from recent literature. The initial proposed change is to make the Trapping and Furbearer Rule a permanently closed rule. This was a discussion item and no action was taken.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Adjourn

12:06:12 p.m. (02:52:30)