



SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY FISH AND GAME COMMISSION MEETING

Regional Parks Department
777 E. Rialto Avenue
San Bernardino, California

MINUTES OF JANUARY 20, 2015

- Present:** Paul Franklin, Chairman, Third District
Tim Glenner, Vice-Chair, First District
Russ Stringham, Commissioner, First District
Robert Olin, Commissioner, Second District
John Bishop, Commissioner, Fourth District
Carey A. Stockton, Fifth District
- Keith Lee, Director, Regional Parks
Maureen Snelgrove, Deputy Director
Michael Delgado, Regional Parks
Beverly Pickens, Regional Parks
John Bradford, Special Districts
Mary Mayes, Special Districts
- Aurora Hernandez, Intergovernmental Affairs Coordinator, 5th District, Board of Supervisors
Erika Moses, Field Representative, 5th District, Board of Supervisors
Rick Fischer, State Fish and Wildlife
Luis Garcia, State Fish and Wildlife
- Call to Order:** The January 20, 2015 meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Franklin.
- Pledge of Allegiance:** Chairman Franklin led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Introductions:** Introductions were made of Commissioners, staff and all in attendance.
- Election of Chair/Vice Chair:** Election of Chair and Vice Chair: Nominations for Chair were opened. Commissioner Olin nominated Commissioner Franklin, with a second by Commissioner Bishop. Commissioner Franklin unanimously elected Chairman. Nominations for Vice Chair were opened. Commissioner Bishop nominated Commissioner Glenner for Vice-Chair, with a second by Commissioner Olin. Commissioner Glenner unanimously elected Vice-Chair.
- Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Commissioner Bishop seconded by Commissioner Glenner to approve the minutes of October 21, 2014. Commissioner Stringham abstained. The minutes were recommended for approval.

Staff Reports:

- Financial Report: Michael Delgado, Regional Parks, distributed the financial report; there is \$2,689.39 in funds currently available pending meeting reimbursement.
- Chairman Franklin asked about the legal notice fee. Mr. Delgado stated the legal notice fee was for posting of the notice moving the Commission to Regional Parks. The County Counsel charge is for the ordinance moving the Commission to parks.
- Commissioner Stringham asked about revenue from fines – how many were dismissed? Chairman Franklin stated 50% of court fee comes to the Commission on fish and game related charges. If the charges are changed by the judge to disturbing the peace the Commission would not receive any of the fees.
- Chairman Franklin asked if there would be a refund from Special Districts of the administrative fees based on the number of meetings that were held. Mary Mayes stated Mr. Rigney had checked and there would not be a refund. Commissioner Olin asked what will happen in the future with administrative fees. Mr. Lee responded the fees should stay the same.
- Mr. Lee stated we are investigating a better map - making it interactive and increasing the cost of the map. We have one chance per year for fee increases. Chairman Franklin felt it was appropriate to increase the cost of the map. Commissioner Olin agreed.
- Mr. Delgado stated he was working on moving the Commission information to the Regional Parks website. He is investigating updating the map and making it interactive.
- Chairman Franklin provided background information regarding Bass Pro selling the shooting maps. Discussion continued on possible options and locations to sell the maps. Mr. Lee stated Regional Parks would speak with Bass Pro Shop regarding the maps. Commissioner Olin stated he would like to be involved in the meeting with Bass Pro Shop.
- Chairman Franklin asked what other information Mr. Lee could share. Mr. Lee stated we are looking at items to help the Fish and Game Commission and the Regional Parks Advisory Commission – have the two commissions work together.
- Mr. Lee stated there were openings on the BLM Commission. Chairman Franklin and Commissioner Stringham expressed interest in the BLM Commission.
- Chairman Franklin stated that Fish & Game waterway violations (pollution and streambed alteration) are handled by Fire. These are Fish and Game violations – 50% of the penalties should come to the Commission. Commissioner Bishop asked how they were being presented – in Orange County penalties from civil cases go to the District Attorney. Chairman Franklin said the codes are getting changed.

Other Reports:

- Commissioner Bishop stated he and Commissioner Stockton attended the conference held at Bass Pro Shop. Commissions from 5 or 6 different counties attended.

California Department of Fish & Wildlife:

- Vests – Warden Fischer submitted the application for project funds for the purchase of five “EOC” vests for four San Bernardino County Wildlife Officers and one Lieutenant. The requested amount for the vests is \$610.00.

- Commissioner Franklin wanted to know if there were any outstanding requests for project funds that needed to be paid. The Commission was told the Quails Unlimited request for \$2,500 still needed to be paid.
- On a motion by Commissioner Olin with a second from Commissioner Stringham the Commission approved the request from Warden Fischer for the vests.
- Commissioner Bishop asked if there was a statute of limitations regarding funding requests. He suggested setting a time limit of 12 months to fund the requests.
- Mr. Lee stated Regional Parks could move \$5,000 from the SPR fund to allow the Commission to meet their commitments.
- Warden Fischer stated the squad has doubled in size. They are visiting the lakes and writing lots of tickets.
- Discussion was held regarding the court process for violations.

Unfinished Business:

- Yearly Administrative Fee
- Vests for Fish and Wildlife
- Hunting and Shooting Maps
Currently there are 251 maps on hand.
- Process for Accepting Donations
- Bruce Kenyon (Quails Unlimited) Award from 10/16/12 Meeting
- Commissioner Franklin suggested contacting Bruce Kenyon and request that he re-submit the request from Quails Unlimited. Mary Mayes stated she should have a phone number from the last meeting he attended. The Quails Unlimited request was tabled.

**New Business
(Action Items)**

- None

Correspondence:

- None

**Open
Comment/Discussion:**

- Commissioner Stringham asked about the BLM trail closures – trails used to hunt and fish. Warden Fischer stated the land use was changed to wilderness. It doesn't mean you can't hunt and fish – you can't drive into the areas.
- Commissioners Franklin and Stringham expressed interest in the BLM Commission.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 2:55 p.m. on motion of Commissioner Olin seconded by Commissioner Stringham.

Next Meeting:

The next Fish and Game Commission Meeting is scheduled for July 21, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. at Regional Parks, located at 777 E. Rialto Avenue, San Bernardino.