

## Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 17, 2021 – 7:00 pm

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Others Present
Crystal Norris – Chairperson	Brock Dolman	Michelle Johnson, Sonoma County AWM
David Cook	Jake McKee	Ed Norton, CDFW
Kevin Davis		Tiffany Wolvek, CDFW
Todd Derum		Demetri Esquivel, CDFW
Jeff Holden		Phil Kohlmetz, International Bird Rescue
Beth Lamb		Susan Kirks, Madrone Audubon Society
Jim Lynch		
Sharon Ponsford		
Dagny Thomas		

I. <u>Call to Order</u>

Chairperson Crystal Norris called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

II. Adoption of May 2021 Minutes

**Report:** Crystal Norris asked if there are any additions or corrections to the May 2021 minutes. **Action:** A motion was made by Jim Lynch to accept minutes as presented; motion seconded by Sharon Ponsford.

Passed with: 9 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

- III. <u>Correspondence</u> Fish and Game Commission notices.
- IV. <u>Financial Reports for May 2021</u> **Report:** As of May 31, 2021, the General Fund balance is \$17,253.71. **Action:** A motion was made by Jim Lynch to accept financial reports for through May 2021; motion seconded by Sharon Ponsford. **Passed with:** 9 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.
- V. Old Business
  - A. Funding for Resolving Negative Human-Wildlife Interactions (Urban Wildlife Conflicts) in Sonoma County. Funding for Resolving Negative Human-Wildlife Interactions (Urban Wildlife Conflicts) in Sonoma County. The goal of this project is to address known, ongoing Urban Wildlife Conflicts (negative human-wildlife interactions) in Sonoma County in 2021, including but not limited to the 9th Street rookery in downtown Santa Rosa. Funding will enable us to rescue and rehabilitate

approximately 300 aquatic birds native to Sonoma County in 2021, with many coming from Santa Rosa's 9th St. rookery. \$10,000.00. Phil Kohlmetz, International Bird Rescue. *Second Reading.* **Action:** A motion was made by Dagny Thomas to fully fund the grant for the amount of \$10,000.00; motion seconded by Jim Lynch. Grant #212.

Passed with: 9 ayes, 0 nay, 2 absent.

## VI. <u>New Business</u>

A. Funding for Nesting Support Project in Santa Rosa, CA. The project is located on West 9<sup>th</sup> Street between Stony Point Road and Dutton Avenue in Santa Rosa and consists of creating fencing and a large area of straw mats underneath two median street trees to help cushion the falls of nestlings from trees. The project also encloses a nesting area in a busy residential neighborhood and support Bird Rescue volunteers who need to retrieve fallen birds that may have been injured. \$1,500.00. Susan Kirks, Madrone Audubon Society, Sonoma County. *First Reading.* 

## VII. <u>Reports/Comments</u>

- A. Public
- B. Board
- VIII. <u>Adjourn</u> Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Michelle Johnson Commission Secretary