



Fish & Wildlife Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 19, 2022 – 7:00 pm

Commissioners Present	Commissioners Absent	Others Present
Crystal Norris – Chairperson	David Cook	Michelle Johnson, Sonoma County AWM
Kevin Davis	Jeff Holden	Ed Morton, CDFW
Todd Derum	Jake McKee	Tiffany Wolvek, CDFW
Brock Dolman		Quinton Martins, True Wild
Beth Lamb		
Jim Lynch		
Sharon Ponsford		
Dagny Thomas		

I. Call to Order

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

II. Adoption of April 2022 Minutes

Report: Crystal Norris asked if there are any additions or corrections to the April 2022 minutes.

Action: A motion was made by Sharon Ponsford to accept minutes as presented; motion seconded by Dagny Thomas.

Passed with: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

III. Correspondence

Fish and Game Commission notices.

IV. Financial Report for April 2022

Report: As of April 30, 2022, the General Fund balance is \$45,030.00

Action: A motion was made by Jim Lynch to accept financial reports as presented; motion seconded by Brock Dolman.

Passed with: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

V. Old Business

A. **Funding for Coexisting with Sonoma County’s Mountain Lions.** Funding to support True Wild’s capacity to continue offering critical public resources regarding the local mountain lion population including using lion GPS tracking and fieldwork, modeling and analytical tools to better understand habitat use, movement patterns, diet, and impacts of human barriers, assisting landowners with protecting livestock and pets, and helping law enforcement with lion-related public safety issues.

\$12,000.00. Dr. Quinton Martins, True Wild. *Second Reading*. Per Commissioners request at April 21, 2022 meeting, Dr. Martins provided two different funding options for tangible items for consideration. **Action:** A motion was made by Jim Lynch to fully fund option for two collars with one year satellite air time for the amount of \$11,852.16. Motion seconded by Todd Derum.

Passed with: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

- B. **Ongoing Interactions with Sonoma County District Attorney's Office.** Discussed ongoing interactions between Sonoma County District Attorney's Office, Sonoma County Department of Agriculture/Weights & Measures, Sonoma County Fish & Wildlife Commission (Commission), and California Department of Fish & Wildlife (CDFW). Per CDFW, a recent meeting with an active CDFW Captain went well; communication between CDFW and District Attorney's Office's Environmental Consumer Law Division have greatly improved.
- C. **Ongoing Discussion Regarding Commission Outreach.** Discussed ongoing outreach and advertising efforts.

VI. New Business

- A. **2022 Fish & Wildlife Commission Scholarships.** Commissioners voted on and determined 2022 FWC Awards (scholarship applications were redacted to ensure impartiality). A total of six scholarships were award to:

- Zoey Haines, Al Ferris Memorial Scholarship, \$2,000.00
- Yessenia Ocegüera, Al Gerhard Memorial Scholarship, \$2,000.00
- Charles Bottino, \$1,000.00
- Bailey Moeller, \$1,000.00
- Lucas Morthole, \$1,000.00
- Beth Sabo, \$1,000.00

Passed with: 8 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

VII. Reports/Comments

- A. Public
- B. Board

VIII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Michelle Johnson
Commission Secretary