

Northern Seward Peninsula AC Meeting
1/5/16
Buckland IRA
Teleconference 1-800-504-8071 Code: 442-1717

- I. Call to Order: Time 11:20 am by Percy Ballot
- II. Roll Call:
Members Present: Percy Ballot, Mona Washington, Nathan Hadley, Marlene Moto-Karl
Members Absent: Calvin Moto and Ron Moto
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 4
List of User Groups Present:
- III. Approval of Agenda:
 - a. Motion to approve by Mona
 - b. Seconded by Nathan
 - c. Agenda approved
- IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: 2/10/2015
Mona Washington motion to approve minutes of 2/10/15
Seconded by Nathan
Minutes approved
- V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Brandon Saito, Carmen Daggett, Brendan Scanlon (Sport Fish Division, Nikki Braem (Subsistence), Hannah Atkinson (NPS), Marci Johnson (NPS), Hillary Robison (NPS)
- VI. Guests Present: Lawrence Thompson (Subsistence Advisory for Shell), Nelson Lee, Eva Lee, Raymond Lee, Delbert Thomas Sr., Amy Barger, and Marla Thomas
- VII. Old Business:
 - a. Updates on caribou herd Brandon Saito
 - b. Percy requested a copy of the preliminary reports
 - c. Percy inquired about monitoring wolves and other predators
 - d. Percy: Troopers need to be more responsive to our concerns there was a wolverine run over by some miners and we reported and I didn't
 - e. Nathan Hadley: Elders need to have meetings with teenagers to let them know what to shoot.
 - f. Percy Ballot: Invitation to celebration of life in March.
 - g. Marlene Moto-Karl: Requests to have announcements on the radio
 - h. IRA note about hunting for gathering at the gym
 - i. Marlene: Inquires about reindeer and restrictions on reindeer in this area
- VIII. New Business:
 - a. Elections
 - b. Nominations: Lawrence Thomas, Raymond Lee Jr, Percy Ballot Sr, Nathan Hadley Sr., Mona Washington.
 - c. Elected: Raymond Lee Jr., Percy Ballot Sr., Nathan Hadley Sr., and Mona Washington 2019
 - d. Send Deering hard copies of meeting materials

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BOG or BOF	Proposal Number	Proposal Description	
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal
BOG No Action	55		Change the statewide brown bear bag limit to one bear every regulatory year The state is against this. Marlene: Sport hunters are about the only people are after bears. There are some people like brown bear meat in Buckland.
BOG Supported as Amended	57 5	 0	Allow the sale of brown bear hides and/or skulls Percy Ballot: Offers amendment wants to encourage more people to hunt by amending the proposal to be legally taken for one bear per season to make this proposal applicable for this region. Marlene: Explains that she has not heard of people buying it heard of it before. We need to teach our children about storage with our food. Motioned by Mona to support as amended Seconded by Nathan
BOG Support	71 5	 0	Clarify same day airborne prohibitions Percy Ballot: It makes people more responsible for their hunting. Marlene Moto-Karl: Explains Percy Ballot: I think this would make it easier for wildlife troopers and I think we should support it. Mona: Motion to support Raymond Lee: Second
BOG Supported as amended	72 5	 0	Establish minimum caliber ammunition for moose hunts Percy Ballot: I don't have a problem with this one. Marlene: What if people can't afford those guns. I will go for it. It sounds safer for the moose. Nathan: Explains we need to choose our own rifle to hunt animals. Percy Ballot: Would like motion to support to a minimum caliber .223. Discussion: Raymond Lee: Would this include outside hunters.
BOG Oppose	73 0	 5	Establish minimum caliber ammunition for caribou hunts Raymond Lee: We use a .22 to shoot caribou in boats, we don't have to use that large of caribou. Lawrence: It would be a waste of meat to use a larger caliber Percy: .243 makes big holes Marlene: Subsistence users can use traditional ways of hunting caribou. Percy Ballot: When it is real rough you need a larger caliber. Nathan: You will need a bigger rifle if it is a long ways away. Motion to Marlene Seconded

BOG	74	Establish minimum caliber ammunition for black and brown bear hunts	
Support	5	0	Mona: Motion to support Seconded by Raymond Lee
BOG	79	Require traps to be checked every 24 hours	
Opposed	0	5	Percy Ballot: Explains you are going to waste a lot of gas, and blizzards get bad here. Raymond Lee: It doesn't make sense to check conibears every day. Percy Ballot: It is going to make it harder for rural trappers. Nathan: If you don't check them regularly they are harder to skin. Mona: Motion to oppose Seconded by Nathan
BOG	80	Move trapping away from cities with a population of 1,000 or more	
Opposed	0	5	Percy Ballot: Explains if you are a trapper you are trying to make money. Just cause we live in a smaller place that is not a good excuse to not trap close. Mona: Move to not to support. Nathan: Seconded
BOG	81	Define the term underwater for the purposes of allowing furbearers to be harvested with underwater traps or snares	
Support	5	0	Percy Ballot: I am in support of this proposal. Mona: Motion to support the proposal Seconded by Nathan
BOG	85	Remove the exception for harvest tickets and reports for caribou	
Opposed	0	5	Percy Ballot: It sounds like we don't want to support Motioned by Nathan to oppose Seconded by Raymond Lee
BOG	88	Modify the qualification for Tier II subsistence hunting permit point system	
Opposed	0	5	Mona motions: to oppose 105 Seconded by Marlene
BOG	104	Require hunters to submit a subsistence hunt report	
Opposed	0	5	Marlene: There are some people are never reported. Percy: I don't want to support this. Mona: Motion to oppose Marlene: seconded
BOG	127	Reauthorize the antlerless moose season in Unit 23	
Support	5	0	Percy Ballot: Explains we support this every year Raymond Lee: motions to support Nathan: Seconded
BOG	131	Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A	
Support	5	0	Motion to support by Mona Seconded by Nathan

BOG	132	Modify the hunting season for snowy owls	
Support	5	0	Percy: Wants to know why they want to close it for that season. They taste better in the winter. Mona: Motions to support Seconded by: Marlene
BOG	133	Modify the hunting season for cormorants	
Support	5	0	Mona: Motion to support Seconded by Raymond

BOF	141	Recognize rod and reel fishing as a legal means for subsistence fishing in all of the Kotzebue District.	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Support <input type="checkbox"/> Support as Amended <input type="checkbox"/> Oppose <input type="checkbox"/> No Action	5	0	Percy Ballot: We want to support this Mona: Motion to support, Seconded by Nathan, question is called.

Adjournment:

Minutes Approved By: 

Date: 1/7/16

Minutes Recorded By: Carmen Daggett & Minutes Approved By: 

Date: 01/07/16

Federal Regulation Change Proposals

WP16-48: Allows a snow machine to be used to position a caribou to select individual caribou for harvest provided that the animals are not shot from a moving machine on Federal Land

Support: 5 Oppose: 0

Comments: Raymond Lee Jr: Motion to support

Seconded by Marlene.

WP16-49: Seeks to change federal caribou hunting regulations

Support: 5 Oppose: 0

Comments:

Raymond Lee Jr.: Motion to support

Marlene: seconds

Percy: We don't eat calves

WP16-50: seeks to increase the size of the pool of federally eligible hunters who could potentially participate in that Cape Krustenstern muskox hunt.

Support: 5 Oppose: 0

Comments:

Percy Ballot: I don't want to create a history of not having the majority of the permits going to people who live in that area.

I would support this.

Hillary Robison and Marci Johnson: Explain

Mona: Motion to support

Marlene: Seconded

WP16-51: Seeks to establish a federal season and hunt for muskox in the recently expanded hunt area of the Noatak River drainage

Support: 5 Oppose: 0

Comments:

Percy Ballot: I have no problem with this.

Mona: Motion to support

Seconded: Nathan

WP16-52: Seeks to reduce caribou hunting on federal land to 7 caribou a day

Support: 0 Oppose: 5

Comments:

Mona: Motion to oppose

Percy: It is good to have consistent regulations

Raymond: Seconded

WP16-53: Seeks to close the federal sheep season in the Baird and Delong Mountains

Support: 5 Oppose: 0

Comments:

Hillary: Explains sheep hunting has been temporary emergency closure, this is a more permanent closure for the population recovered.

Percy: It would be good not to hunt them for a while.

Marlene: Inquires about sheep in our area?

Marlene: Motions to support

Seconded by Mona

Addressed by allowing the superintend the flexibility to adjust the harvest limits if necessary.

WP16-61: Seeks to change caribou hunting regulations North of the Singgoalik River

Support: 5 Oppose:0

Comments:

Mona: Motion to support

Raymond Lee Jr.: Seconded

Raymond Lee Jr. and Marlene Might be interested in attending the Board of Game meeting

Need to elect Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary

Need to send a letter

Send Marlene a hard copy of the minutes

Adjournment: 2:30 pm

Minutes Recorded By:

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Date:

[Handwritten signatures and date]
01/07/2016