ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

AC NAME: Central Peninsula

LOCATION (town): Ninilchik

DATE (of meeting): 10/3/17

MEMBERS PRESENT: John McCombs, Steve Vanek, Dave Blossom, Greg Endicott, Doug Blossom, Dan Reiman, Dave Presley, Mike Schneider, Gary Deiman

MEMBERS ABSENT EXCUSED: David Martin, Jeff Berger

MEMBERS ABSENT UNEXCUSED:

QUORUM PRESENT: YES X NO

AGENCY STAFF PRESENT: Jeff Salberg, F. G.
                      Kenneth Acton, Trooper, Mark Eldridge, Trooper

Time Meeting Called to Order: 7:10 PM

Old Business and New Business (See following pages)

Time Meeting Adjourned: 9:30 PM

Signature, Committee Secretary: Steve Vanek
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<td>Establish a preference point system for drawing hunts</td>
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<td>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</td>
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<td>abstained. the cost to go hunt is high so that a proxy should be allowed.</td>
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<td>Allow the take of moose by proxy in moose hunts having antler restrictions</td>
<td>opposition</td>
<td>moose are already shared by most people. This could cause less success for other hunters.</td>
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<td>Require antlers be sealed for all antler restricted hunts</td>
<td>support as amended</td>
<td>it was amended to say that antlers should be sealed in the area they were killed so that antlers wouldn’t be transported to another area. 10 - 1</td>
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<td>Require a permit before brown bear skulls and hides with claws attached can be sold</td>
<td>support</td>
<td>This would provide a record so that bears from other areas could not be sold.</td>
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<td>Prohibit nonresident hunting of moose and caribou under intensive management until harvest and population objectives are met</td>
<td>support as amended</td>
<td>one person left the meeting we feel that both conditions should be met before non residents are allowed. don’t the word after “until” and change “or” to and, passed.</td>
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Adjournment: 9:30 PM

Minutes Recorded By: [Signature]

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CALL TO ORDER: 1:25pm, Oct. 16, recessed at 5:30pm and reconvened at 9:00am Oct. 17.
ROLL CALL: Quorum 4: Ray Oney, David Bunyan, John Lamont, Stanley Pete (teleconference)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: December 3, 2016

INTRODUCTIONS:
  a. Fish and Game Staff: Holly Carroll (CommFish), David Runfola (Sub. Division), Patrick Jones (Wildlife), Deena J ellan (CommFish), Jen Peeks (Boards)
  b. Other Agency Representatives: Ken Stahlnecker (USFWS), Sarah Mutter (AVCP), Eva Patton (USFWS)
  c. Members of the Public/ Other: Allen Hanson (Alakanuk Tribal Council), Christopher James (Alakanuk), Bill Alstrom (St. Mary’s)

PUBLIC COMMENTS/ TESTIMONY:
  • Stanley Pete- Nunam Iqua Tribe opposes (WP18-29) to extending the moose season.
  • Allen Hanson- Wanted to be added to the CLY AC informational notices.

OLD BUSINESS:
OFFICER ELECTIONS-
John Lamont- Nominated for Vice-Chair, accepted
Secretary- Will discuss at next meeting.
Ray Oney will remain Chair

NEW BUSINESS:
FISHERIES
  o 2017 Yukon Fishery Summary, ADF&G Staff
    Holly Carroll (ADF&G): Summer run exceeded 2016 run size. Good commercial catch of summer chum. Commercial harvest for chum was one of the highest on records. Overall commercial harvest was above average and earnings were better than 2016. ADF&G will not have a subsistence harvest estimate until December 2017. ADF&G would like to hear if subsistence fishing went well for people. Nearly all goals for Chinook and summer chum were met.
    John Lamont: People were satisfied with the subsistence fishing, he hoped the run size continues to build.
    Allen Hanson: Appreciated the management effort for subsistence harvest to meet people’s needs. Keep up the good work ADF&G! He asked about the use of selective gear in the beginning of the summer2018 noting the hard work to get the numbers up.
    Holly Carroll: Responded probably for the next few years there may be selective gear. She commented on the Bering Sea project on juveniles that may help predict estimates. Next year may be a little smaller. We don’t have a good idea on the run until a lot of the run have passed by. The selective gear allows harvest of summer chum while letting the Chinook salmon pass.
    Ray Oney: 2017 was one of the better years thanks to ADFG and all the people involved with paying attention to the Emmonak ADFG reports. People were happy with commercial and subsistence outcomes in the lower Yukon. People were happy to keep their Chinook salmon and hopefully see a commercial in the future. Also, a good season for chum salmon.
  o Yukon River Agenda Change Requests (ACRs)
    o ACR 13 – ACR 18: Tabled until after BOF work session.
  o Arctic/ Yukon/ Kuskokwim Finfish Proposal Deadline: April 10, 2018
    Jen Peeks reminded to let Tribes start thinking about fishing proposals

WILDLIFE:
  • Statewide Board of Game Proposals
    o PROPOSAL 4 - 5 AAC 92.990(a)(26) Change the definition of “edible meat” for large game birds.
    o PROPOSAL 6 - 5 AAC 92.095: Allow the incidental take of up to two furbearers per year during an open season for other furbearers.
O PROPOSAL 8 - 5 AAC92.095: Remove the same day airborne restrictions for taking wolf and wolverine with a trapping license.
O PROPOSAL 13 - 5 AAC92.080(7): Clarify the regulation that prohibits the use of a “cellular or satellite telephone” to take game.
O Proposal 24 - 5 AAC 92.044(10): Define the term “equipment” for bear baiting.
O PROPOSAL 25 - 5 AAC 92.010: Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide.
O PROPOSAL 31 - 5 AAC 92.050: Establish a preference point system for drawing hunts.
O PROPOSAL 41 - 5 AAC 92.012: Exempt rural subsistence hunters from the requirements for obtaining a waterfowl conservation tag.
O PROPOSAL 43 - 5 AAC 92.011: Allow the taking of emperor geese by proxy hunting.
O PROPOSAL 53 - 5 AAC 99.025(a)(12): Reevaluate the customary and traditional use finding for migratory game birds statewide
O PROPOSAL 55 - 5 AAC 92.019: Combine the regulations allowing the take of big game for religious ceremonies and ceremony potlatches.
O PROPOSAL 147 - 5 AAC 85.025: Open a nonresident draw hunt for caribou in Units 18 and 19.
O PROPOSAL 157 - 5 AAC 85.045(16): Reauthorize the resident and nonresident antlerless moose season in the Remainder of Unit 18.
O PROPOSAL 163 - 5 AAC 92.015(a)(4): Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A.

• Federal Subsistence Board Wildlife Proposals
  O WP18-21 - Change harvest limit to 2 caribou throughout Mulchatna caribou herd range and consolidate hunt.
  O WP18-27 - Establish customary and traditional use determination for musk ox in Unit 18 for residents of Nunivak Island.
  O WP18-28 - Addition of winter may-be-announced season for moose in Unit 18, Goodnews Bay.
  O WP18-29 - Lengthen moose season by one month in Unit 18 Remainder
  O WP18-30 - Shorten season and decrease harvest limit and possession limit for ptarmigan in Unit 18.
  O WP18-31 - Shorten caribou season in portions of Unit 18 by 15 days.
  O WP18-51: Modify bear baiting restrictions to align with State regulations.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER RECOGNITION
ELECT ALTERNATE FOR BOG/ BOF MEETINGS
ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:
  O Patrick Jones (ADF&G) - Discussed Musk ox surveys, more animals than expected. Moose surveys on the Yukon in February 2018. Outreach program was occurring on AK hares, ADFG is interested in hearing about them in the past or present.
  • Ray Oney- Commented that his area hunt [hares]. They also use to encourage people to leave the musk ox alone. Commented Roger Seavoy encouraged to leave them alone and would educate people. Ray would like to see public education in schools to teach that we are trying to build up populations in hopes we have a hunt in the future.
  • David Bunyan- Jack rabbits in Hooper Bay use to be abundant, but now they don’t hear of them. He never knew what a moratorium was at first. He had to learn that it was to build up the populations. Signs/ flyers through the tribal office helped to educate.
  • John Lamont- what are the possibilities for relocation? Also, education on the reasons for trying to rebuild.
  • Patrick Jones-Commented that there used to be a lot of hares, but now they are hard to find. ADFG is interested in collaring them to monitor.
• John Lamont- Commented that sometimes they are abundant by the airport in Emmonak, they come out when the days are longer. He was willing to show people where they are. Discussed the best ways to snare them and commented that you need patience.
• Stan Pete- Liked that the rabbits were being discussed because he had not been seeing them. Hunting methods got so efficient, blinding, flashing headlamps in their eyes; saying you “Can almost bat them over the head”. Hunting methods were efficient that almost brought them to extinction. He hasn't caught them in almost 20 years. Is there something we can do to put a stop to jack rabbit hunting?
• Patrick Jones- Commented that ADFG is looking at the low numbers and trying to gather information. He mentioned that many other people had similar comments. Considering a proposal to shorten hunting, and bag limits. AC can also right a proposal.
  o Dave Runfola (ADF&G)- Subsistence Division did a project on whitefish/ sheefish in lower Yukon. Will be contacting the tribal councils to update on the project and get their feedback on the information to make sure it is included. It is an OSM project.
  o John Lamont – Commented that there were a lot of wildfires and that they have a part in changes along with climate change. Winters are low snow and animals move inland.
  o Ray Oney- Commented that global warming has an effect. There used to be real winters with ice 6-8 feet deep with snow piles sometimes over homes. He commented that a lot of changes happening as a result of global warming. Break-up activity has also changed.

NEXT MEETING DATE: December 2017, Daytime Location: Teleconference
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**Comments:**

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   - Ray: We use pretty much the whole bird for eating and arts/crafts. [This proposal] resulted from the waste of game birds.
   - John: Hopefully we'll see fewer birds go to waste and help educate people more on wasting of birds.
   - Ray: Would like to see education in the schools and communities. One way to educate the schools is to teach about wanton waste with all wild fish and game. Would like to see the ADF&G education specialist in the Lower Yukon for teaching on this.

2. **Oppose:**
   - Stanley: Would oppose because it would open the door to poaching.
   - Ray: Would allow for wolf but not wolverine. Wolves need to be under control for moose and caribou populations. Not as familiar with wolverine.
   - John: Concerned about the wolf population.

3. **Amend:** Include wolf but not wolverine.

4. **No Action:**
   - John: Each unit should determine their own needs based on needs and species population.
   - AC discussed that they want to be able to use cell phones for safety reasons, help with processing and navigational purposes. Some discussion that use of cell phone in hunting should depend on each Unit’s needs and species. Some members felt that they were okay with using phones for hunting.

5. **Oppose:**
   - Stanley: Neutral due to no bears in his area.
   - Ray: Thought the sites should be cleaned up after a season of bear hunting. That would include the bear bait. Should vote on it for purposes of keeping the area clean.
   - John: Want to keep land pristine and not leave items out on the land.
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<td>John- what if I want to do a musk ox hunt? would like to have a better chance to get drawn. Ray- haven’t filled out any permit hunt yet for these other animals. Stan- it looks good on the staff comments. For Nunam Iqua, it would be rare to apply for a draw hunt. He thinks they are doing alright on how it is working. Ray- May have to think about the Bison and what may happen with that herd in the future.</td>
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<td>John- if we supported this would it make it similar to the feds? Patrick Jones (ADFG)- yes. It is also hard to get stamps. Make it easier for rural residents. Exempt AK residents from April 1-Nov. 1 Stan-if it makes it easier for rural residents, I am all for this proposal Amend: Exempt AK residents from season April 1-Nov. 1</td>
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<td>David- the first catch is usually shared. Hunting for the Elders has been a practice prior to the proxy system. John- this would allow people to provide for people who are unable to hunt. It is a practice that many people already do. Ray- the person that will be hunting will need a valid hunting license. Would be in favor of this proposal. David- they only harvest emperors in the spring time. In the fall time they have a stench and don’t taste good.</td>
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<td>Reevaluate the customary and traditional use finding for migratory game birds statewide</td>
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<td>John- some of the bird parts are used for items such as tools, dance fans, traditional use other than food. Ray-Won’t have any effect on Unit 18. Our culture and tradition go back thousands of years. Have been practicing the use of this species forever. There are positive findings for the use of these birds traditionally. Would support this. Stan- don’t see anything negative with it. It is positive traditional and customary use for our area.</td>
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<td>Combine the regulations allowing the take of big game for religious ceremonies and ceremony potlatches</td>
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<td>John- it’s good to include the potlatches on there, it will clear up things and make it easier for people. David- discussed the ceremony festival for his late father Louis Bunyan. We were given the okay but then finding a hunter was difficult in the spring. I think this is a good thing. Patrick Jones (ADFG)- explained the requirements for taking game under the current regulation.</td>
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| 147             | Open a nonresident draw hunt for caribou in Units 18 and 19.                        | Oppose                                        | 0              | 4            | John- subsistence users should have the right to hunt them and we should give the herd a chance to build.  
Ray- oppose because the herd is trying to rebuild.  
Stan- leaning toward opposing this proposal. |
| 157             | Reauthorize the nonresident antlerless moose season in the Remainder of Unit 18      | Support                                       | 4              | 0            | Ray- wondered how the moose are doing in the area.  
Patrick Jones (ADFG) said there may be too many moose in the area. The harvest was nowhere near the amount of moose needed to keep the moose population healthy.  
Ray- would like to see more hunts for non-profits, like the Elder home, pre-maternal home, for the moose population. Pat Jones- ONC was working on a project to help with that.  
John- would support...have been doing this hunt for many years. If people didn't hunt in the fall, they have a chance to hunt in the winter.  
Ray- saw lots of moose on the flight to Bethel.  
David- Pastor in Hooper Bay...wanted to give a bingo board for spotting moose. Last summer 4 cows, 6 bulls half a mile from town.  
Stan- Supports this proposal. |
| 163             | Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A | Support                                       | 4              | 0            | John- voted on it last year, support it.  
Ray- we have to reauthorize this for residents every year. |
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<td>Ray- would oppose or take no action due to the potential effects it could have on the guiding service.</td>
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<td>WP18-27</td>
<td>Establish customary and traditional use determination for musk ox in Unit 18 for residents of Nunivak Island.</td>
<td>Oppose: 4, Support: 0</td>
<td>John- would oppose in order to support the guiding families that live in Nunivak.</td>
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<td>WP18-28</td>
<td>Addition of winter may-be-announced season for moose in Unit 18, Goodnews Bay.</td>
<td>Support: 4, Oppose: 0</td>
<td>Pat Jones (ADF&amp;G)- moose population is around 500. Population can support this.</td>
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<td>WP18-29</td>
<td>Lengthen moose season by one month in Unit 18 Remainder</td>
<td>Support: 4, Oppose: 0</td>
<td>Stan- spoke with local residents and Nunam Iqua planning board opposes to extend the hunt. They would like to see more investment in the schools to have their youth build a camp to harvest the moose. This may bring a larger influx of outsiders coming to Unit 18.</td>
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<td>WP18-30</td>
<td>Shorten season and decrease harvest limit and possession limit for ptarmigan in Unit 18</td>
<td>Support as amended: 4, Oppose: 0</td>
<td>Ray- The RAC discussed this proposal, people were saying that there was a decrease in the willow ptarmigan and people were seeing worms in the bird’s stomachs. Stan- over the last years, noticed decline in ptarmigan numbers. They were so scarce. John- would like to see a decrease in the bag limit.</td>
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<td>Shorten caribou season in portions of Unit 18 by 15 days.</td>
<td>Oppose: 4, Support: 0</td>
<td>Ray- Accepting the proposal would bring it out of alignment with the state. Stan- is predation high or are the hunters harvesting a lot? Patrick Jones (ADF&amp;G) - harvest is not very high, couple hundred animals per year. This year survival rate was low due to bears, golden eagles and wolves. Not sure if it is a long term pattern or not. Stan- author of proposal may not know how many newborns are lost to predators compared to hunters. Leaning towards opposing. Not sure that the hunters are making a large impact on the herd. May need to be looked at again. John- oppose, may get more confusing with the hunting regulations. Ray- leaning toward opposing. Shortening by 15 days may not have any effects. Would think people would want to focus on keeping the closing dates the same.</td>
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<td>John: sounds like it will make things simpler to align the state and federal regulations.</td>
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<td>Ray: Would support it as well, it would make it simpler for hunters knowing that the date is the same for both state and feds sides.</td>
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Adjournment:

Minutes Recorded By: [Signature]

Minutes Approved By: [Signature]

Date: 10/27/2017
Craig Advisory Committee  
October 19, 2017  
Craig Youth Center  

I. Call to Order: 7:05 pm by Ellen Hannan, President  

II. Roll Call: Steve Merritt, Fred Hamilton, Ellen Hannan, Kirk Agnitsch, Charles Haydu, Steve Stumpf  
Members Present: 6  
Members Absent: Bill Farmer, Mike Douville, Brian Castle  
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 5  
List of User Groups Present: Trolling, Shrimp, Hunting, Sportfishing, Lodges and Charters  

III. Approval of Agenda: Yes  

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Yes  

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Jeff Reeves (ADF&G) Luke Decker (USFS)  

VI. Guests Present: None  

VII. Old Business: None  

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<td>Salvaging meat beyond the breast of a goose, Swan or Crane. Legs, thighs, heart, and gizzard.</td>
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<td>6</td>
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<td>Allow 2 incidental furbearer catches during trapping season. We feel this would protect the trapper from being in violation should this instance occur.</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Oppose as amended</td>
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<td>(10A only) We feel it is ok to take deer same day airborne in hunting.</td>
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<td>An airbow is not a mechanical bow but an air powered weapon capable of higher arrow speeds than a traditional or compound bow. We do not feel it fits the criteria for bowhunting.</td>
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Adjournment: 8:53PM  
Next meeting set for November 15, 2017 at 6 pm with an alternate date of November 29, 2017 at 6pm

Minutes Recorded By: Steve Stumpf

Minutes Approved By: 

Date: 10-19, 2017

Positions: Support (S), Support as Amended (S/A), Oppose (O), No Action (N/A)
I. The meeting was Called to Order at 7:03 pm by Don Holum, Chair

II. Roll Call:
   Members Present: Lance Williams, Harold Mowery, Don Holum, Ray Atkins, Gordon Carlson, Bruce Gore, Justin Mason, Marie Gore
   Members Absent Excused: Caleb Holum, Jeff Burney
   Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 6
   List of User Groups Present: 1 – 4, 6 – 10, 12

III. Approval of Agenda: unanimous

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: approved by committee

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Scott Sands, AST

VI. Guests Present: None

VII. Public Testimony: None

VIII. Old Business: None

IX. New Business: When the time comes for new proposals for unit 13, Ray Atkins would like to revisit the non-resident caribou tags allotment. He was advised by Don Holum that this will not be for another couple of years. Discussed statewide proposal 64, 60, 45, 39, and 13. There was a discussion for meeting dates for AC meeting for the Central Southwest Region proposals in early December and late January. Don Holum felt that this will take a few meetings due to the number of proposals for Unit 13 up for discussion.

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<td>Clarify the regulation that prohibits the use of a “cellular or satellite telephone” to take game</td>
<td>Support 8, Oppose 0</td>
<td>Moved to adopt proposal 13 by Gordon Carlson seconded By Lance Williams. The committee felt that this would add more clarification, helps promote fair chase and strong hunting ethics, and continued support for our Alaska Wildlife Troopers for ethical harvesting and fair chase enforcement.</td>
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<td>39</td>
<td>Implement a sliding scale bag limit for Dall sheep hunting for residents and nonresidents</td>
<td>Tabled</td>
<td>At this time, members felt that the regulation is too complicated for implementation. Members are in support of encouraging older rams being harvested and population growth of sheep, and with clarification of proposal, members could possibly support in the future. Members were unclear of the enforcement of this proposal and were unwilling to vote for or against, due to</td>
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<td>45</td>
<td>Require antlers be sealed for all antler restricted hunts</td>
<td>Oppose 0</td>
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<td>60</td>
<td>Require hunter education for hunters 12 years of age or older, and those under 12 to be accompanied by someone who has successfully completed the course</td>
<td>Oppose 3</td>
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<td>64</td>
<td>Eliminate domestic sheep (Ovis aries) and goats (Capra hircus) from the “Clean List” and require a permit for possession with stipulations if located within 15 air miles of all sheep habitat</td>
<td>Oppose 0</td>
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Ray Atkins motioned and seconded By Harold Mowery to send Don Holum to statewide Regulations meeting in Anchorage and Central/Southwest Region meeting in Dillingham.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm

Minutes Recorded By: Justin Mason
Minutes Approved By: Lance Williams, Gordon Carlson, Don Holum
Date: 10/12/2017
Fairbanks Fish and Game Advisory Committee
10/11/2017
Pioneer Park, Fairbanks, AK

I. Call to Order: 1833 by Chair Umphenour

II. Roll Call:
Members Present: Kirk Schwalm, Mike Tinker, Virgil Umphenour (Chair), Mike Kramer, Bill Larry, Warren Giuchici, Lyle Shelnut, Al Barrette, Chuck Derrick, Valerie Baxter (Vice-Chair), Jeff Lucas, Vince Holton
Members Absent: Lee Hazen, Larry Morris, Andrew Glasgow
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: Quorum Achieved
List of User Groups Present: Resident Hunters of Alaska (RHAK)

III. Approval of Agenda: Approved with no amendments

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Minutes from April meeting not available but will have for November meeting.

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Division of Wildlife Conservation: GMU 20 Area Biologist Tony Hollis, GMU 20 Assistant Area Biologist, Mark Nelson. Division of Sport Fish: Tim Viavant, James Savereide

VI. Guests Present: Board of Fish member Reed Morisky, Board of Game member Tom Lamal (only present briefly).

VII. Old Business: None

VIII. New Business:

a. Elections for open AC seats
   i. Nominations for the vacant seats were: John Wisniewski, Mark Richards, Mike Quinn, Mike Tinker, and Kirk Schwalm. As there were only the number of nominees as there were seats available, no vote was taken and all nominees were designated new AC members and were seated for the remainder of the meeting.
   ii. Kirk Schwalm volunteered to be the AC Secretary.

b. ADF&G Staff Reports
   i. Tony Hollis – Area Biologist
      1. There is a new assistant AB for GMU 20, Mark Nelson, who has previously worked in marine mammals section of ADF&G.
2. Drawing permit hunts report
   a. 20A antlerless hunts have harvested 55 cows with 70% reporting so far.
   b. 20A any bull permits have harvested 243 bulls with 75% reporting (1000 permits were awarded).
   c. 20A Delta caribou permits have harvested 67 bulls
3. 20A Dall Sheep survey – sheep numbers remain good, lots of legal rams were observed, and there are good lamb numbers this year.
4. The Minto registration moose hunt was closed in a part of the hunt area – the area closed is the most easily accessed and the closure was implemented to try and spread the harvest out more.

ii. Tim Viavant – Sport Fish
1. Yukon River king salmon had a decent year – 263,000 fish passed the lower sonar and 73,000 passed Eagle, AK.
2. Escapement goals were likely met for kings in the Chena and Salcha rivers
3. No final numbers yet for kings salmon in the Copper River, around 31-34,000 passed the Miles Lake sonar, probably met escapement goal of 24,000.
4. For sockeye, estimated 723,000 went past Miles Lake and the commercial harvest was 500,000+.

c. New Fairbanks AC meeting locations discussed, the AC settled on having meetings at one of the smaller rooms at Pike’s Waterfront Lodge.
d. A fish subcommittee meeting was scheduled for October 24th, 5:30pm, in the Ptarmigan Conference Room at the College Road ADF&G office.
e. Next up we started in on review, discussion and votes on the proposals that the Game Subcommittee decided should be considered by the whole AC. Those proposals were: 5, 12, 13, 16, 17, 24, 26, 28, 31, 32, 42, 48, 49, 52, 54, 56, 57, 58, 59, 64, 65, 66, 67, & 164
f. All the rest of the proposals were discussed and had unanimous agreement at the Game Subcommittee meeting that was held on October 5th at the ADF&G Indoor Shooting Range. The whole AC approved the actions of the Game Subcommittee on all of the proposals not listed above.
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<td>Modify the definition of bag limit</td>
<td>Oppose: 0 supports, 15 oppose. Comment: Do not agree with this method for changing the definition – if you want to redefine “take,” than do so via legislation.</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Modify the definition of youth hunt, allow youth hunters to obtain their own harvest ticket, and remove the hunter education requirement for youth hunters</td>
<td>Support as Amended: 0 supports, 15 oppose. Comment: We would support this proposal with the following: 1.a. Keep the change of minimum age to 8 years of age but this would ONLY apply to those special designated “youth,” hunts (not to any general hunts), and in 2.b., we do not want the hunter education requirement to be removed.</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>Modify the definition of regulatory year</td>
<td>Oppose: 0 supports, 15 oppose. Comment: Leave the regulatory year the same.</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>Change the definition of edible meat for large game birds</td>
<td>Oppose: 0 supports, 15 oppose. Comment: We do not think the parts mentioned in the proposal should be required to be salvaged.</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Change the definition of a moose antler point/tine</td>
<td>Support as Amended: 2 supports, 13 oppose. Comment: We do not support the addition of the new language to the definition of brow tine but we do support the addition of the language listed in (B) and (D) that clarifies spike-fork.</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Allow the incidental take of up to two furbearers per year during an open season for other furbearers</td>
<td>Oppose: 0 supports, 15 oppose. Comment: We prefer that seasons be aligned more, and the tracking of the allowable incidental takes would be problematic.</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Allow the use of bow and arrow to harvest beaver under a trapping license statewide</td>
<td>Support: 15 supports, 0 oppose. Comment: We think this should be an allowable method for the taking of beaver.</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Remove the same day airborne restrictions for taking wolf and wolverine with a trapping license</td>
<td>Oppose: 0 supports, 15 oppose. Comment: Can’t support this proposal as it not allowed in AK Statute.</td>
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<td>9</td>
<td>Modify the land and shoot requirements for harvesting coyotes</td>
<td>Support: 15 supports, 0 oppose. Comment: We support an increase in the harvest of coyotes statewide and this should be an allowable method.</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Repeal the restrictions on the use of aircraft for taking big game</td>
<td>Oppose: 0 supports, 15 oppose. Comment: We support Proposal 12 related to this issue.</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>Modify the restrictions on the use of aircraft for sheep hunting</td>
<td>Oppose: 3 supports, 11 oppose. Comment: 1 abstain vote. The three members in support of this proposal do not want the full repeal of the old Proposal 207. This clarification language seems to address a few of the issues that many have complained about in the existing language. The majority of members oppose this proposal because they prefer full repeal of 5 AAC 92.085(8).</td>
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<td>12</td>
<td>Remove the restrictions on the use of aircraft for sheep hunting</td>
<td>Support: 12 supports, 3 oppose. Comment: 3 members do not support repeal of this regulation because they feel it is necessary and has not caused any undue burdens on hunters. The majority of members support repeal.</td>
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<td>because they do not think this regulation is necessary and do not think the Board should generate its own proposals.</td>
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<td>Oppose</td>
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<td>Prohibit the taking of bears in dens</td>
<td>When predator control has been implemented for an area, this method and means should be allowable.</td>
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<td>Oppose</td>
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<td>15</td>
<td>Remove the exception for taking cub bears and female bears with cubs</td>
<td>We support this as long as the risk for West Nile is low.</td>
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<td>Oppose</td>
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<td>16</td>
<td>Allow the use of high-powered air guns during regular firearms and muzzleloader big game hunting seasons</td>
<td>We passed two amendments to this proposal, the first was: Delete the language that these air guns are allowable during muzzleloader seasons. These are not muzzleloaders and should not be allowed in those seasons. Second: Remove the minimum caliber and foot lbs requirements. The amended proposal was support by the majority because they feel these guns should be allowed. The members who oppose the proposal did so because they felt there was not enough data on the efficacy of these guns in Alaska and on big game species here.</td>
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<td>Prohibit the use of airbows for taking big game</td>
<td>We support the updating of the manual.</td>
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<td>Support</td>
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<td>18</td>
<td>Remove the West Nile Virus testing requirement for raptors</td>
<td>We support this as long as the risk for West Nile is low.</td>
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<td>19</td>
<td>Change the nonresident season for taking passage raptors</td>
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<td>20</td>
<td>Limit nonresident falconers to take raptors every four or five years</td>
<td>We support this as long as the risk for West Nile is low.</td>
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<td>21</td>
<td>Require raptors taken under nonresident capture permits be implanted with microchips</td>
<td>These birds are very valuable and the use of the microchips seems a reasonable way to try and prevent illegal actions and sales and will provide the ability to track the bird through its lifetime.</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>Allow the take of up to five eyas goshawks by nonresidents</td>
<td>We do not support this proposal, the administration of the proposed system would be a burden on the department.</td>
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<td>Oppose</td>
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<td>Define the term “equipment” for bear baiting</td>
<td>Support as Amended 15 0</td>
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<td>25</td>
<td>Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide</td>
<td>Oppose 0 15</td>
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<td>26</td>
<td>Animals harvested under auction and raffle permits will not count against the regular bag limit</td>
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<td>27</td>
<td>Modify the required hunt procedures for applying for drawing permits</td>
<td>Support 15 0</td>
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<td>28</td>
<td>Modify the Board of Game nonresident drawing permit allocation policy</td>
<td>Oppose 5 8</td>
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<td>29</td>
<td>Remove the bag limit restriction for resident relatives accompanying nonresident relatives within the second degree of kindred</td>
<td>No Action</td>
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<td>30</td>
<td>Allow nonresident hunters to harvest brown bear, sheep or goat on behalf of their Alaska resident second degree of kindred relative’s permit</td>
<td>Oppose 0 15</td>
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<td>Establish a preference point system for drawing hunts</td>
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<td>We do not feel that we need a preference point system.</td>
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<td>32</td>
<td>Establish a bonus point system for bison and muskox drawing hunts</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>We do not want a bonus point system here.</td>
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<td>33</td>
<td>Establish a ten percent nonresident moose drawing permit allocation</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>We have not supported any allocations of permits by percentages, as many times as they have been submitted as proposals.</td>
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<td>34</td>
<td>In drawing hunts with a separate allocation for residents and nonresidents, all nonresident permits will be issued from the nonresident allocation</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>We support this proposal.</td>
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<td>35</td>
<td>Allow nonresidents and residents to apply as a party for hunts having separate permits for residents and nonresidents</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>We do not support this proposal because we feel it would be difficult to administer and is not necessary.</td>
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<td>Change nonresident general sheep hunts to drawing permit hunts with a ten percent permit allocation cap</td>
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<td>15</td>
<td>We do not agree with putting all non-resident sheep hunting into a drawing permit system.</td>
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<td>Limit nonresident sheep harvest to no more than ten percent of total harvest per subunit</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>We do not believe that this is an acceptable method for managing non-resident sheep hunting.</td>
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<td>38</td>
<td>Implement a sliding scale bag limit for Dall sheep hunting for residents</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>This proposal would create a complicated, unnecessary system for resident sheep hunters and would be burdensome to ADF&amp;G in trying to track every individual sheep hunter, their harvest, and what they would be allowed to hunt every year.</td>
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<td>39</td>
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<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>Same comments as for Proposal 38.</td>
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<td>40</td>
<td>Allow nonresidents that have successfully harvested a Dall sheep in the last three years to apply for Dall sheep permits annually</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>We do not agree with this approach to Dall sheep drawing permits. Many permits have low percentages of success for the draw, such as bison and some brown bear hunts, this does not solve this issue.</td>
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<td>41</td>
<td>Exempt rural subsistence hunters from the requirements for obtaining a waterfowl conservation tag</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>15</td>
<td>We do not agree with the rationale of this proposal, the state definition of subsistence differs from the federal one and exempting federally defined subsistence users from a state requirement would be an unwelcome precedent.</td>
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<td>Remove the nonresident guide requirement for moose and black bear hunts</td>
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<td>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>5 8</td>
<td>2 abstention votes. The members in support agree with the authors of the proposal that certain drawing hunts in SE Alaska and moose hunts in the Interior have created de facto must be guided hunts. The majority of the AC members believe that this is not true, that those hunts were created to address very specific issues in those areas, namely black bear conservation in SE Alaska and non-use of drawing permits for moose in two other specific areas in the Interior. The majority agree that these specific types of solutions should be explored and implemented where appropriate, regardless if the beneficiaries are more residents or non-residents.</td>
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<td>43</td>
<td>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</td>
<td>Support</td>
<td>15 0</td>
<td>We support this proposal as long as it does not lead to overharvest or create conservation concerns. We also support ADF&amp;G’s comments in that the heads of proxy birds be removed to destroy the trophy value of the birds.</td>
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<td>Support</td>
<td>15 0</td>
<td>We support this proposal because we do not see why antler restrictions should prevent proxy hunting. Many areas of the state now have antler restrictions, even in higher density moose populations (GMU 20A) and we feel this restriction is unnecessary.</td>
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<td>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>0 15</td>
<td>If passed this proposal would create a huge burden on ADF&amp;G as there are thousands of successful moose hunters in the antler restricted portion of the hunt. We also do agree with requiring hunters to get their antlers sealed, it is unnecessarily burdensome.</td>
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<td>46</td>
<td>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>0 15</td>
<td>We support this proposal as long as it does not lead to overharvest or create conservation concerns. We also support ADF&amp;G’s comments in that the heads of proxy birds be removed to destroy the trophy value of the birds.</td>
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<td>47</td>
<td>Modify the transfer of possession regulations</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>0 15</td>
<td>We have the same comments for this proposal as we did with 46. The current system creates a clear chain of custody of meat; hunters need to be prepared for this in the field if they know they will not always be in direct possession of their meat (ex, when using a transporter).</td>
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<td>48</td>
<td>Modify the transfer of possession regulations to include reporting requirements</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>3 12</td>
<td>We are aware of the amendment to this proposal that changes the language to make the hunter responsible for tracking the meat and for turning in a report after the season. The majority of the AC members think this is too much of a burden on hunters and that requiring this of non-resident guided hunters would be very difficult to enforce. If the intent is to track meat that is given away by non-resident guided hunters, a better solution would be to approach the Big Game Commercial Services Board with a proposal to add meat given in lbs and where it was delivered to the Hunt Records.</td>
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<td>We don’t support burdening hunters with more unnecessary permits. We suggest that ADF&amp;G use the sealing process to address this issue.</td>
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<td>Provide clarification for allowing guides to register additional guide use areas for taking predators, and to restrict the take of predators in those guide use areas</td>
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<td>Change the implementation date for removing additional guide use areas under intensive management</td>
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<td>Authority to do this already exists.</td>
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<td><strong>52</strong></td>
<td>Prohibit nonresident hunting of moose and caribou under intensive management until harvest and population objectives are met</td>
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<td>Oppose</td>
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<td>2 abstention votes. The supporting AC members agree with the author of the proposal that game populations with current and active predator control programs should not allow non-resident harvest on a resident preference philosophy. The majority of the AC members do not agree with this and see no biological reasons for not allowing some non-resident harvest. It is also important to note that in some cases reaching the harvest and/or population objectives can be problematic. Though not a currently active predator control area, GMU 20A has never met the harvest objectives in the IM finding. There may be cases where meeting harvest objectives by resident only effort will never be attainable.</td>
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<td>We support this re-evaluation for migratory game birds.</td>
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<td>Modify the Tier II subsistence hunting permit point system</td>
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<td>Combine the regulations allowing the take of big game for religious ceremonies and ceremony potlatches</td>
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<td>This is a proposal from our AC and its purpose is to simplify the regulations by combining the ceremonial and potlatch regulations and also seeks to allow for a management system for potlatch moose. It would allow ADF&amp;G to directly manage potlatch take and track harvest. Potlatch take has been an unknowable and unregulated source of harvest that has resulted in less opportunity for all users.</td>
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<td>Modify the community subsistence harvest permit conditions</td>
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<td>Change the definition of “community” or “group” for community subsistence harvest hunts</td>
<td>Oppose 0 15</td>
<td>The Fairbanks AC is disappointed that the Board of Game continues to try to legitimize an AHTNA preference with the Community Subsistence Harvest hunts. This is a totally unenforceable definition of community and the CSH hunts simply need to be abolished entirely.</td>
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<td>Modify the salvage requirements for moose and caribou taken under community subsistence harvest hunts</td>
<td>Oppose 0 15</td>
<td>Making salvage more challenging is not enough, CSH hunts should be repealed.</td>
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<td>59</td>
<td>Consider all customary and traditional uses as eligibility criteria for Tier II and community subsistence harvest hunts</td>
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<td>Board does not have authority.</td>
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<td>Require hunter education for hunters 12 years of age or older, and those under 12 to be accompanied by someone who has successfully completed the course</td>
<td>Oppose 0 15</td>
<td>This would require many adults with children who are currently exempt from hunter education requirements to have to take the class in order to take their children hunting. We do not think we should be putting any barriers in front of parents wanting to take their children hunting.</td>
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<td>Add Lesser Hedgehog Tenrec to the list of animals allowed to be possessed without a permit</td>
<td>No Action</td>
<td>We have no comments and received no public testimony on this proposal.</td>
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<td>62</td>
<td>Allow the release of sterilized, feral cats into the wild</td>
<td>Oppose 0 15</td>
<td>Domestic cats are the source of a large number of deaths of migratory birds and allowing them to be released is ludicrous, regardless of whether or not they are neutered, this should not be allowed.</td>
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<td>Support 15 0</td>
<td>We agree completely with the author’s rationale.</td>
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<td>Eliminate domestic sheep (Ovis aries) and goats (Capra hircus) from the “Clean List” and require a permit for possession with stipulations if located within 15 air miles of all sheep habitat</td>
<td>Support 8 3</td>
<td>4 abstention votes. This was a very controversial proposal for the AC. The majority of members in support of the proposal believe there is a real and direct danger to Alaska Dall sheep populations from domestic sheep and goats and that this proposal is a reasonable solution. The members in opposition disagree about the danger and would like to see more data on where in Alaska there is the chance for Dall sheep to cross paths with domestic sheep and goats. The members in opposition also believe that this is not a...</td>
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<td>Close an area ¼ mile on either side of the Taylor Highway to hunting during caribou season, and limit the number of permits</td>
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<td>There is biological reason to limit the number of permits and adding a no shoot buffer simply shifts the problems to an area ¼ mile out from the road. The AC remains engaged in the Fortymile Harvest Management Coalition and will review the findings from their October meeting and add to our comments at the Anchorage meeting.</td>
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<td>66</td>
<td>Update the Board of Game’s policy for accepting agenda change requests to make it more consistent with the Joint Board Petition Policy</td>
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<td>2 abstention votes. We support this proposal with this change: We want the language in (4) to remain – “…AT least 60 days before the first regularly scheduled meeting.” We do not feel that setting a date of November 1st will work for many ACs that may only meet once a year and cannot make that date. More flexibility is needed.</td>
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<td>67</td>
<td>To comply with recent statutory changes, review and update regulations with minimum hunting age requirements</td>
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<td>These videos already exist and making them mandatory is not necessary and burdens hunters. It also creates another issue of having to carry a card or identification in the field proving that the class has been taken.</td>
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<td>164</td>
<td>Allow use of crossbows by hunters over 60 years of age</td>
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<td>No Action</td>
<td>We ran out of time in our meeting to discuss this proposal.</td>
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Adjournment: 22:32

Minutes Recorded By: VBaxter
Minutes Approved By: AC
Date: 10-18-2017
Call to Order: 6:05 by Dave Lyon chair

Roll Call:
**Members Present:** Dave Lyon (chair), Tom Young (vice chair), George Matz (secretary), Michael Craig, Jim Meesis, Thomas Hagberg, Marvin Peters, Gary Sinnhuber, Dan Anderson, Dennis Wade.
**Members Absent:** Ty Gates, Lee Martin, Doug Malone, Wes Humbyrd, Joey Alred, Phillip Jones

**Number Needed for Quorum on AC:** 8

**List of User Groups Present:**

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**Interests Represented**

1 - Trapping 7 - Guiding
2 - Sport Fishing 8 - Processing
3 - Subsistence 9 - Personal Use
4 - Hunting 10 - Outdoorsperson
5 - Commercial Fishing 11 - Association/Corporation
6 - Photography 12 - Conservationist

**Approval of Agenda:** Approved

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** NA

**Fish and Game Staff Present:** Jeff Selinger, Jason Herreman

**Guests Present:** Camron Hagen

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Discussion on Kodiak intercept issue and upcoming BOF work session. Dan reviewed the recent genetic studies for Kodiak area commercial fisheries. It appears as if the interception of migrating salmon is much larger than anticipated. The AC agreed with Dan’s assessment that this would
not have been the case if the management plan had been followed and agreed that he should present this case at the Oct 17 BOF work session, requesting an ACR to address issue more thoroughly. The vote on this was 10-0-0.

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<td>Modify the definition of bag limit</td>
<td>It is apparent that the purpose of this proposal is to NOT include wounded animals in an individual’s bag limit. In the AC’s discussion of this proposal, there was disagreement with this but concern that the current definition of “take” was too broad and included nonfatal situations. An opposing argument was that “take” is a well-established term that doesn’t, in practice, include situations such as merely “disturbance”. The result was an amendment that included “or wound” to the proposal that states only “kill or harvest”. The amendment was approved 9,1,0. The amended version was approved with 8 in favor and 2 opposed.</td>
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<td><strong>2</strong></td>
<td>Modify the definition of youth hunt, allow youth hunters to obtain their own harvest ticket, and remove the hunter education requirement for youth hunters</td>
<td>There was unanimous disapproval of exempting hunter education as a requirement. Concern was also expressed that changing the age limit from 10 to 8 was questionable based on youth development.</td>
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<td><strong>3</strong></td>
<td>Modify the definition of regulatory year</td>
<td>In discussion with ADF&amp;G staff at the meeting it was felt that this change would eliminate some existing confusion with hunters, though the conversion might have some one-time costs and adjustments.</td>
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<td>Remove the exception for taking cub bears and female bears with cubs</td>
<td>Having this regulation of the books is obviously a flashpoint that creates perhaps more controversy than is commensurate with the actual amount of taking of female bears with cubs. While this may be a traditional method, how well that apples with the use of modern technologies may be questionable. However, given the abstentions, most AC members were uncertain about this issue.</td>
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<td><strong>16</strong></td>
<td>Allow the use of high-powered air guns during regular firearms and muzzleloader big game hunting seasons</td>
<td>Too many exemptions. This would require added effort in terms of new regs, training, etc.</td>
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<td>Prohibit the use of airbows for taking big game</td>
<td>Agree that this isn’t archery.</td>
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<td>Animals harvested under auction and raffle permits will not count against the regular bag limit</td>
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<td>Allow nonresident hunters to harvest brown bear, sheep or goat on behalf of their Alaska resident second degree of kindred relative’s permit</td>
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<td>Establish a preference point system for drawing hunts</td>
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| 62 | Allow the release of sterilized, feral cats into the wild | 0 | 10 | The AC took issue with the term “community cats.” Feral cats are an invasive species and are extremely effective predators that have serious ecological impacts, such as birds (cats are the leading cause of songbird mortality) and small mammals (that provide an important food source for some furbearers). It has also been well documented that feral cats can transmit numerous diseases to wildlife as well as humans. The Trap-Neuter-
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<td>Return concept does nothing to diminish these impacts. The proposal does not objectively address these issues.</td>
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<td>Create a new regulation to allow season openings and increased hunting opportunities in-season by emergency order</td>
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<td>This proposal describes the liabilities of fostering feral cats that the previous proposal ignores.</td>
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<td>For all antler restricted hunts, require hunters to view an educational video for identifying legal moose</td>
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<td>This proposal was submitted by the Homer AC. The identification of a legal-sized bull moose is not a problem limited to just the Kenai Peninsula. While the jury may be out as to how effective this educational effort was last hunting season, it points the emphasis in the right place, which should help reduce illegally harvested moose.</td>
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The Homer AC will meet again on Tues. Oct. 24 at 6:00 to finish our review of BOG proposals.

Adjournment: 8:45

Minutes Recorded By: George Matz
Minutes Approved By: Dave Lyon, Chair
Date: 10/25/2017
Call to Order: 6:08 by Dave Lyon chair

Roll Call:
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Members Absent: Ty Gates, Lee Martin, Gary Sinnhuber, Dan Anderson,
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 8
List of User Groups Present: None

Approval of Agenda: Approved

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Approved by Chair.

Fish and Game Staff Present: Jason Herreman


Old Business: Brief discussion about BOF meeting. Board did not consider an ACR regarding Kodiak intercept fisheries.

New Business: None

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<td>Change the nonresident season for taking passage raptors</td>
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<td>Limit nonresident falconers to take raptors every four or five years</td>
<td>Support 12, Oppose 0</td>
<td>Need to avoid exploitation.</td>
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<td>Require raptors taken under nonresident capture permits be implanted with microchips</td>
<td>Support 12, Oppose 0</td>
<td>Makes it easier to track illegally taken falcons and to prosecute.</td>
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Adjournment: 7:50

Minutes Recorded By: George Matz
Minutes Approved By: Dave Lyon, Chair
Date: 10/25/2017
Juneau Douglas Advisory Committee  
Oct 26, 2017  
University of Alaska Southeast, Juneau Campus Room 218.  
Excerpt for BOG Statewide Regulations Meeting

I. Call to Order: 5:35 by Ed Buyarski--acting chair.

II. Roll Call: 
   Members Present: Ed Buyarski, Nicholas Orr, Thatcher Browuer, Jesse Walker, Mike Bethers, 
                   Jesse Ross, Henry Webb, Jason Kohlhase, Richard Yamada, Terry White, Kristine Trott, Kevin 
                   Maier 

   Members Absent: Atlin Daugherty

   List of User Groups Present: Commercial, sport/hunt/personal use, charter-Salt, charter-fresh, 
                                trapper, non-consumptive

   **Elections**: motion to re-elect Henry Webb, Jason Kohlhase, Jesse Walker, and Kevin Maier to 
                   their respective seats. Also to elect to alternate seats: Melanie Brown and Mike Cole.

III. Approval of Agenda:

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

   Fish and Game Staff Present: Dan Teske, Sport Fish Mgmt Bio, David Love, Asst Sport Fish Mgmt 
                              Bio, Dave Harris Comm fish area mgmt. bio) Scott Forbes, Asst comm fish area mgmt. bio, Ryan 
                              Scott, Director, game biologist

   Guests Present: PUBLIC: Mollie Dwyer, Bree Simpson, Wes Strausberger, Sommers Cole,

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**BOG PROPOSAL 71: 8-0 (with 6 abstentions SUPPORT)**

**BOF 39: No action**

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Adjournment: 9:58pm

Minutes Recorded By: ______ Kevin Maier
Minutes Approved By: ______ Ed Buyarski
Date: ___________10/27/2017_________
I. Call to Order: at 6:30 pm by Mike Crawford, Chair

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List of User Groups Present: Ted Spraker BOG, Jeff Selinger F&G

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<td>29</td>
<td>Remove the bag limit restriction for resident relatives accompanying nonresident relatives within the second degree of kindred</td>
<td>No action</td>
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<td>Allow nonresident hunters to harvest brown bear, sheep or goat on behalf of their Alaska resident second degree of kindred relative’s permit</td>
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Adjournment:

Minutes Recorded By: Will Lee
Minutes Approved By: Chair
Date: 10/27/2017
1. Call to Order: 7:10 pm by Alex Whiting

2. Roll Call: Members Present: Alex Whiting (Vice Chair/Secretary), Cyrus Harris, Michael Kramer, Karmen Monigold, Lance Kramer, Eugene Smith

   Members Absent: Pete Schaeffer (Chair), Victor Karmun, Enoch Sheidt

   Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 5

3. Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve agenda with deletion on BOF proposals and proposal 57 - unanimous approved.

4. Approval of previous Meeting Minutes: From meeting date 11/03/2016 – Motion to Approve minutes - unanimous approved.

5. ADF&G Staff present: Brandon Saito, Hazel Smith, Alex Hansen


7. Old Business: None

8. New Business – Board of Game Proposals
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<td>6 Support</td>
<td>Allow the incidental take of up to two furbearers per year during an open season for other furbearers</td>
<td>Good to allow small incidental take</td>
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<td>Supported</td>
<td>6 Oppose</td>
<td>Allow the use of bow and arrow to harvest beaver under a trapping license statewide</td>
<td>Bow and arrow is legitimate method of take, need more beavers taken in Unit 23</td>
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<td>BOG #6</td>
<td>Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action</td>
<td>Remove the same day airborne restrictions for taking wolf and wolverine with a trapping license</td>
<td>Concern of overharvest of wolverine</td>
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<td>Opposed</td>
<td>0 Oppose</td>
<td>Modify the land and shoot requirements for harvesting coyotes</td>
<td>Need to control spread of coyotes</td>
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<td>BOG #7</td>
<td>Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action</td>
<td>Prohibit the taking of bears in dens</td>
<td>Traditional method of take in northern Interior</td>
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<td>Opposed</td>
<td>0 Oppose</td>
<td>Remove the exception for taking cub bears and female bears with cubs</td>
<td>Traditional method of take in northern Interior</td>
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<td>BOG #8</td>
<td>Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action</td>
<td>Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide</td>
<td>Unit 23 has hunting license only brown bear hunt and that has been working well for the area, we want to keep this approach.</td>
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<td>Opposed</td>
<td>0 Oppose</td>
<td>Exempt rural subsistence hunters from the requirements for obtaining a waterfowl conservation tag</td>
<td>Spring waterfowl subsistence hunts no longer require federal stamp would like to also not require state stamp to simplify requirements</td>
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<td>BOG #9</td>
<td>Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action</td>
<td>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</td>
<td>Already strict regional and individual quotas to deal with conservation issue, would allow for Elders and others that have difficulty hunting to use their individual quota and enjoy eating this goose on occasion.</td>
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<td>Supported</td>
<td>6 Support</td>
<td>Require a permit before brown bear skulls and hides with claws attached can be sold</td>
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9. Other Dates and Deadlines and discuss representation and alternates:

   November 10-17, 2017   Board of Game Statewide Regulations
   Anchorage, AK         Comment Deadline: October 27, 2017

10. General discussion of caribou migration, which was stuck in mountains for lengthy period, likely due to warm weather and the hard time local hunters had of harvesting. Discuss enforcement action activities in Unit 23 with Trooper McGinness. Discuss current status of the caribou herd population and regulations in place whether they are working or not. Look forward to new population number coming out in December from ADF&G new photo/counting system. Discussed House Bill 211 Rep. Westlakes bill to require non-resident hunters to hire professional guide for caribou hunting in Arctic caribou populations.

11. Adjournment: 8:30 pm

Minutes Recorded By: [Signature]
Minutes Approved By: [Signature]
Lake Iliamna Fish and Game Advisory Committee  
Tuesday, October 17, 2017  
Port Alsworth

I. Call to Order: 11:25 by Randy Alvarez 10-17-2017

II. Roll Call:  
Members Present: Randy Alvarez, Lyle Wilder, Elijah Eknaty, George Alexie, William Trefon,  
Members Absent:  
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 5  
List of User Groups Present: Advisory Committee board members, Facilitator, Fish and Wildlife biologists

III. Approval of Agenda: Lyle Wilder moves to approve, William Trefon seconds, unanimous approval.

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Lyle Wilder moves to approve, Elijah seconds, unanimous approval.

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Dave Crowley, Lee Bordon, Taryn O’Connor-Brito

VI. Guests Present: Warren Hill

VII. Elections: Nominations for Port Alsworth seat, George Alexie nominates Warren Hill, Randy Alvarez nominates Lyle Wilder, Vote of members present, Warren Hill is elected to Port Alsworth seat with a term expiring 2020. Thomas “Tinney” Hedlund nominated as Vice Chair for advisory Committee, and elected with unanimous support. Warren appoints lyle Wilder as alternate for port Alsworth rep through 2020.

VIII. Staff Updates:  
Taryn - Statewide Board of Game meeting Nov 10-17th Oct 27 deadline for commenting. Central/Southwest Board of Game Feb 16-23rd, Feb 2nd deadline for commenting. Board of Fish Meeting November 2018.  
As a board we need to have minutes approved rather than draft minutes submitted to improve our procedures. Chairman Randy Alvarez is appointed by committee to approve the minutes from this meeting for submission to the board.
Dave Crowley – discussion of Moose collars placed on 24 cows this spring to improve understanding of moose cow and calf survivability, 56% twin calf occurrence, Calf mortality currently 70% with high bear and wolf presence. Still strong Moose presence, unit 9C hunting season increased by 5 days in response to numbers.

IX. New Business:

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<td>Reevaluate the customary and traditional use finding for migratory game birds statewide</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>A harvestable portion for Customary and Traditional use is recommended by the board, would like to see customary and traditional uses of state game be acknowledged by the state in the future.</td>
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<td>55</td>
<td>Combine the regulations allowing the take of big game for religious ceremonies and ceremony potlatches</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>This regulation would water down the rules and make taking of game too liberal for any occasion. The proposal is not specific enough in that any celebration or event would be reason enough to take a moose or other game for use.</td>
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<td>60</td>
<td>Require hunter education for hunters 12 years of age or older, and those under 12 to be accompanied by someone who has successfully completed the course</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>Discussion over older hunters needing to be grandfathered into the system and would be very difficult to capture the entire state worth of hunters into the system when they are used to hunting as they always have. Discussion about hunter education needing to come from the elders and passed down through family to the young hunters in the rural villages. No efficient system in place to spread to all villages but it is a good idea for young hunters to have training.</td>
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## Alaska Board of Game Central/Southwest Region Meeting

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<td>Reauthorize the brown bear tag fee exemptions for the Central/Southwest Region</td>
<td>5</td>
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<td>127</td>
<td>Open a resident hunting season for caribou in a portion of Unit 9C</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>The Mulchatna caribou herd drops down below the branch river occasionally and then becomes off limits, this would allow the herd to be harvested when in the area for the local hunters.</td>
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<td>129</td>
<td>Lengthen the resident hunting season for moose in Unit 9B</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Changing the season would make the federal and state seasons the same and make it more simplified.</td>
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<td>130</td>
<td>Allow hunters to obtain Unit 9B registration moose permits online and in other locations</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>No action on the proposal as stated BUT would like to AMEND proposal to allow for permits to be available on line. Would like to support the departments proposal to remove the requirement of showing up in person for a permit and making the permits available on line.</td>
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<td>134</td>
<td>Shorten the season for ptarmigan and reduce the bag limit in Unit 9</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Board would like to limit spring hunt of birds to prevent a majority of adult birds from being harvested. Ptarmigan are cyclical in their population like other animals and we can move bag limit again later as population rebounds from current low.</td>
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<td>135</td>
<td>Close the season for Alaska hares in Unit 9</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>AMEND - Board would like to see a November hunt only and amend proposal to read 2 animals per day, 4 in possession with reporting requirements in place.</td>
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<td>145</td>
<td>Open a nonresident registration hunt for caribou in Units 9 and 17</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>Discussion of not adequate caribou for out of state harvest, progression should be the reverse of de-regulation. Same day airborne should be re-instated first before out of state hunters are introduced.</td>
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<td>148</td>
<td>Allow the use of a snowmachine for harvesting caribou, wolf, or wolverine in Unit 17</td>
<td>5</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>Division of Subsistence technical paper #47 by Steven R. Behnke sited wildlife utilization and the economy of Nondalton. The change to the regulations would be not requiring the user to be off the snowmachine prior to harvesting the animals. Board agrees this is a reasonable idea.</td>
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Date and time of next meeting: Call of the Chair, tentatively October 2018 in Nondalton.

Adjournment: 2:58pm

Minutes Recorded By: _Lyle Wilder___________  
Minutes Approved By: _Chairman Randy Alvarez  
Date: __10-25-2017 __________
CALL TO ORDER: 1:24pm (Reconvened on Oct. 26 at 8:32am)

ROLL CALL/ ESTABLISH QUORUM: 8 members, quorum established

Present: James Charles, William “Charlie” Brown, Henry Parks, John Twitchell Sr., George Berry, Phillip Peter Sr., John W. Andrew, Sandra Nicori.

INVOCATION: William Brown

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:

Tim Andrew, ONC
Patrick Jones, ADF&G
Jen Peeks, ADF&G
Pat Samson, Translator
Dave Runfola, ADF&G (teleconference)
Alex Nick, Bethel

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: John Twitchell, motion to approve; seconded by Phillip Peter.

James Charles discussed the difference between the state and federal proposals. Motion passed unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: John Twitchell moved to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimous.

COMMENTS:

- CONCERNS/COMMENTS OF PUBLIC:
  
  Tim Andrew (ONC)- Started working at ONC on June 5, 2017, took the place of Greg Roczicka who had been very helpful to all the ACs for fish and wildlife issues. Previously he worked at AVCP.
    o Henry Parks - Thanked Tim for being supportive, “we will back you up in your job as well.”
    o Charlie Brown- Greg was very supportive, he helped us with technicalities as well as a source of information for the AC.

- CONCERNS/COMMENTS OF AC MEMBERS:
  
  (Note: If concern/comment needs more than 3 minutes, item should be placed on the agenda to be presented later in the meeting)

  Phillip Peter- complaint of boys hunting for caribou: a chopper and airplane guided the herd away from the hunters. He tells people that when possible please take the aircraft number, colors, time, etc.

  Charlie Brown- Near Kwethluk lake there is a problem. Aircrafts have been warned. A berry picker saw an aircraft harassing. The caribou are in that region for their food source.

  James Charles- Right now there are a lot of native pilots. We can also tell the feds about wildlife harassment.

  Henry Parks- only want to ask about the whale caught on the Kuskokwim River summer 2017. He wants to know where the case is right now because he heard the hunters might be facing charges. He would be happy if they didn’t face legal issues.

  Trapper John- Since a little child, he used to summer in the mountain lakes. Late 1970s the planes started coming from Anchorage and landing in the mountain ranges, harassing caribou and we have been seeing them since 1980s herding brown bears and bringing them toward the lake. Also in Heart Lake we witnessed planes herding caribou toward hunters, we knew they were from Bethel. They had hunting camps with lodge like tents and small boats so I know they weren’t from this area [Kwethluk]. Some people came back to the villages saying that animals had been herding. They are coordinating using communication systems.
- **Recognition**: Phillip Peter Sr and Henry Parks - Years of Service on AC; James Charles AFN recognition. AC recognized James Charles for his service and commitment.

- **Reps for BOG meeting in November**: James will attend, Phillip Peter Sr. alternate

**NEXT MEETING DATE**: TBD

**ADJOURN**: 12:35 pm, Oct. 26

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<td>Change the definition of edible meat for large game birds</td>
<td>8 Support, 0 Oppose</td>
<td>Sandra- Customarily we eat everything. Charlie- AS children we were to eat all the meat, whether fish, bird, game. Leftovers were fed to the dogs John Twitchell- On TV we see that only breasts were taken. As Yupiaqs we eat all the meat. Tim Andrew (ONC)- Villages eat most of the bird, but in Bethel they eat mainly the breasts.</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Allow the incidental take of up to two furbearers per year during an open season for other furbearers</td>
<td>No Action</td>
<td>John Andrew suggested No Action.</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Remove the same day airborne restrictions for taking wolf and wolverine with a trapping license</td>
<td>8 Support, 0 Oppose</td>
<td>Henry Parks- regarding the wolves, they are getting high in number. They are eating the moose and caribou calves. Do like an amendment to take wolves the same day, but restrict the wolverines. Phillip- the wolverine are stronger and more vicious than the wolf. Whatever they grab they will kill. They can follow any game until they tire them out and kill them. Charlie- in my area where caribou come, when the wolves come up to the caribou and only eat the testical part and leave the other meat. Always worried that people will think that Eek people are killing the caribou and leaving meat, but it is wolves. Agree with taking the wolves for same day. Wolves can send runners from the pack- hunting is second to none. Want the caribou to increase. Supporting bc want the caribou population to increase.</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Clarify the regulation that prohibits the use of a “cellular or satellite telephone” to take game</td>
<td>See 8 Support, 0 Oppose</td>
<td>John W. Andrew- In Kwethluk area after an aircraft surveys the area then jet boats come by and bring cell phones. They are being told by the aircraft where to hunt.</td>
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<td>24</td>
<td>Define the term “equipment” for bear baiting</td>
<td><strong>Support</strong> 8, <strong>Oppose</strong> 0</td>
<td>John Twitchell- we opposed this proposal last year. Evan at fish camp we opposed the bear baiting. Henry Parks- In spring the black bear meat is good. If he ate trash that can be an issue health wise. My tundra village is on swamp and they eat good food up there. We don’t hesitate eating the tundra bears, I don’t want to be eating a baited bear. John Twitchell- some of the people bait and some don’t bait. I do not like the bear baiting. John Twitchell- this doesn’t pertain to use, I don’t know how to bait. Henry Parks- motion for no action.</td>
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<td>25</td>
<td>Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide</td>
<td><strong>Oppose</strong> 8</td>
<td>James- If this goes through they would need a harvest ticket and license. James- all the other AC opposed this because they did not want additional paper</td>
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<td>31</td>
<td>Establish a preference point system for drawing hunts</td>
<td><strong>Oppose</strong> 8</td>
<td>Phillip Peter moved to adopt, John Twitchell, 2nd.</td>
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<td>41</td>
<td>Exempt rural subsistence hunters from the requirements for obtaining a waterfowl conservation tag</td>
<td><strong>Support as amended</strong> 8</td>
<td>Phillip Peter- wanted to make a motion to exempt us from the stamp. Some of the people do purchase this. The state legislature can decide, but the BOG can’t make this regulation. I like this the way it is written bc we are exempted in the rural areas. I do like that. John Twitchell- when did the duck stamp begin? I do a survey in our village, but I stopped surveying bc I thought there were negative implications. <strong>Amendment: AK residents from April 1- November 1</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</strong></td>
<td>No Action</td>
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<td>Tim Andrew and Dave Runfola explained. Charlie- Sometimes we see emperor geese [by Eek], but it’s not their normal path. Henry Parks- no emperor geese by the tundra villages. James- no one is targeting emperor geese by Tuntutulik. John Andrew- no action bc this does not affect us. The coastal villages may go hunt, but not in the fall time.</td>
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<td>53</td>
<td><strong>Reevaluate the customary and traditional use finding for migratory game birds statewide</strong></td>
<td>Support</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>Charlie Brown- We use to use birds in parkas and other clothes when stores were not plentiful. We utilized everything including migratory birds. That is customary and traditional. In the spring time we use to use the salmon skin as clothing too.</td>
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<td><strong>Combine the regulations allowing the take of big game for religious ceremonies and ceremony potlatches</strong></td>
<td>Support</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>John Twitchell- Suggested adding elders who are unable to go hunting. The meat is needed by the widowers and elders. Patrick Jones (ADFG) responded that there is another regulation to help Elders hunt. Charlie- There was an elder and orphan who died recent- does this mean I could have gotten a moose for them? It does help us for these feeds. It is important to us. If it includes religious and funeral I like this. Sandra- potlatches are in the interior. They don’t pertain to us.</td>
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<td>64</td>
<td><strong>Eliminate domestic sheep (Ovis aries) and goats (Capra hircus) from the “Clean List” and require a permit for possession with stipulations if located within 15 air miles of all sheep habitat</strong></td>
<td>No Action</td>
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<td><strong>Open a nonresident draw hunt for caribou in Units 18 and 19.</strong></td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>Charlie- heard that the caribou herd is declining. Non-residents come with planes and have the ability to herd the animals. I would be opposed bc the caribou population is too low. Phillip- they opened the subsistence hunt for all of us. So all residents can hunt</td>
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<td>Reauthorize the nonresident antlerless moose season in the Remainder of Unit 18</td>
<td><strong>Support</strong>: 8, <strong>Oppose</strong>: 0</td>
<td>Charlie: We just heard the moose population growing on the Yukon. We will face this on the Kusko. We don’t just eat the meat, we eat berries. With the moose population growing they will screw up the tundra. The Yukon areas are now over populated and the food will be affected. Concerned about the terrain and hurling subsistence food gathering. Phillip: sometimes there are teachers who are non-resident who would like to go hunting. Also, the female cows are higher than bull moose. When moose eat black spruce trees they were also good tasting. On Yukon their taste is different now, there is a low number of moose we catch that has the original taste, because of the limited food they now have. John Twitchell: Elders say the moose taste different bc of what they are eating. They change when they are in rut. When they aren’t rutting, the meat tastes better. In the tundra villages, they tell us we need to catch what we need but not waste. We don’t mind people coming by to hunt, but we don’t like the trash.</td>
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<td><strong>163</strong></td>
<td>Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A</td>
<td><strong>Support</strong>: 8, <strong>Oppose</strong>: 0</td>
<td>Phillip Peter made motion to accept, seconded by Henry Parks. Tim Andrew discussed the history. Explained it continues the tag fee exemption. ONC supports. James: they want to exempt the tag fee. Charlie: wondered why bears go through the door [of a structure] and exit through the walls.</td>
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<td><strong>165</strong></td>
<td>Open a registration hunt for moose in Unit 19A</td>
<td><strong>Support</strong>: 8, <strong>Oppose</strong>: 0</td>
<td>Charlie Brown: make motion to accept, seconded by Phillip Peter. Patrick Jones (ADF&amp;G) and Dave Runfola (ADF&amp;G) summarized. John Andrew: Local residents know where to go hunt moose even in bad weather. Patrick explained Tier I and Tier II.</td>
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<td>All-in-one bear baiting stations.</td>
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<td>We do not use the baiting stations in our area.</td>
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<td>Henry Banks should do a roll-call vote.</td>
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**Adjournment:**

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**Minutes Recorded By:**

**Minutes Approved By:**

**Date:** 10-27-17
Matanuska Valley Fish and Game Advisory Committee minutes for Monday October 9th, 2017 at the MTA building large meeting room Palmer, Alaska 7pm

Meeting called to order at 7:14 pm by Herb Mansavage

Members present: Steve Bartelli, Bob Cassell, Herb Mansavage, Hans Nordstrom, David Young, Birch Yuknis, Mel Grove and Austin Manelick.

Members absent: Andy Couch, Jehn Ehmann, Mike Buirge, Chris Watchus, Dan Montgomery, Bob Marshall, Terry Nininger, Chad Lipse, Herman Greise. All Excused

Public present: Tim Peltier with ADF&G (Wildlife Bio III), Joel Holyoak with ADF&G (Project Assistant), Kassidy Colson with ADF&G (Wildlife Biologist II), Patrick O'Connor member of the public, Neil DeWitt Anchorage AC member and William Schenk member of the public

Public comment: Patrick O'Connor stated that the regulations should not be that complicated. That the regulation book should be thinner not thicker and that if a page is added a page should be removed.

Motion to accept the Agenda by Bartelli, 2nd by Nordstrom Passed 8-0-0

Advisory Committee discussed BOG Statewide proposals 1 – 26 at this meeting.

    Prop #18-Prop #23 All deal with Falconry. AC wanted to table those for a later meeting when Herman was present.

Herb confirmed the next few meeting dates, times and locations. Herb stated that the comments for the BOG are due October 29th. Herb mentioned that Bob Cassell, Mike Buirge, Jehn Ehmann, Herman Griese, Dave Young and Chris Watchus are up for election November 1st, 2017 at the Moose Lodge in Palmer (behind the MVFC). Herb stated that Chris Watchus will not be running. Dave is trying to convince Mike and himself to run again.

Dave stated it was good to be back. Herb gave thanks to everyone for showing up and helping him with his first meeting as Chair and that he couldn't get a Wednesday this week and thank you to everyone for showing up on a Monday.

Mel wanted to follow up with what Mr. O'Connor had mentioned earlier on the Federal take-over of Alaskan waters. Specifically, the Klutina road access and the Sturgeon case. Mel wanted everyone to know that letters help but it ultimately takes money. Also, that the Sturgeon case will probably be headed back to the SCOTUS.

Austin offered thanks for his first meeting.

Next meeting October 18, 2017 MTA large meeting room

Members absent: Terry Nininger - excused, Dan Montgomery - excused, Jennifer Ehmann - excused, Chris Watchus excused, Chad Lipps - excused, Herman Griese - excused, Mel Grove, Dave Young

Motion to approve the minutes: Minutes approved with no objections.

Motion to approve the agenda: Andy requested to report from the board of fisheries, agenda approved as amended.

Andy Couch reported on the Board of Fisheries work session — no significant agenda changes considering Upper Cook Inlet issues were scheduled by the Board of Fisheries. The location for the next Upper Cook Inlet Board of Fisheries meeting (2 years from this meeting cycle) was set as Anchorage.

Public Present: HIT instructor is Stacey Bradley, Neil DeWitt

Persons to be heard: None

Advisory Committee discussed BOG Statewide proposals 27 – 56 at this meeting.
Next meeting is Wednesday October 25 to begin with proposal 50. Two meetings from now will be the Advisory Committee election meeting — November 1.

Member comments: Andy Couch will be late for the next meeting Oct. 25.

Mat Valley Fish and Game Advisory Committee Minutes
October 25, 2017
MTA building in Palmer

I. Call to Order: 7:00 PM, Herman Griese, Acting Chair

II. Roll Call:

Members Present: Steve Bartelli, Bob Cassell, Herman Griese, Mel Grove, Austin Manelick, Bob Marshal, Terry Nininger, Hans Nordstrom, Chris Watchus, Birch Yuknis
Andy Couch arrived at 8:00 PM

Members Absent: Mike Buirge, Jennifer Ehmann, Dan Montgomery, Dave Young

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 8 needed for quorum: ten then 11 members present

III. Approval of Agenda: Agenda approved

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: No previous minutes available for approval

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Tim Peltier, ADFG: Tim said that the Department (ADFG) was going to be neutral on most proposals, He also said that allowing for snow
cover, the Department would conduct moose surveys this winter on units 16A, 16 B-middle, 16 B-south and 14A.

VI. **Guests Present**: Israel Payton, Alaska Board of Fisheries, Tim Stevens, Neil DeWitt. Israel said that he encouraged AC members to suggest to BOG members to start implementing ‘Committees As A Whole’, given the issues last year with sheep hunters and proposal 207, this is a much better process. He also commented while advocating for proposals, he encouraged AC members to build relationships with BOG members and ADFG staff. He also noted that when testifying regarding proposals, don’t just read off the proposals you support or don’t support, speak specifically to the merits of problems with a proposal.

VII. **Old Business**: none

VIII. **New Business**: Discussion of BOG proposals #18-23, Falconry: Steve noted that the previous falconry proposals were tabled at the last meeting because Herman was not there, and he was the “bird guy”. Hans also said there had not been a lot of interest on the AC. Herman said that this didn’t seem to be a high priority, so all AC members agreed to take no action on proposals 18-23.

It was then moved to start review of BOG proposals #57-69.

It was agreed that Herb will determine when it is time to submit. Proposals need to be submitted by October 27.

Next meeting is election meeting to be held at the Palmer moose lodge. Herman mentioned that he will not be around enough to be a good AC member and will likely not run for re-election. Chris Watchus mentioned that he will also have a conflict with work schedule and will likely drop off.

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<td>Modify the definition of youth hunt, allow youth hunters to obtain their own harvest ticket, and remove the hunter education requirement for youth hunters</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>Mel felt there was no problem now with the current system. Steve felt hunter's ed was important.</td>
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<td>Change the definition of edible meat for large game birds</td>
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<td>Change the definition of a moose antler point/tine</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>ADF&amp;G stated that this is already in regulations in parts of the State. Steve stated that it is hard to see a 2&quot; projection at 100 yds. Steve opposes based on complexity. Austin felt this should be added to the moose hunter orientation video rather than a regulation. Mel asked ADF&amp;G if there was a biological concern for this proposal? ADF&amp;G stated that there was not, that it was more of a Law Enforcement concern. Hans Called the question. 1 abstained.</td>
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<td>6</td>
<td>Allow the incidental take of up to two furbearers per year during an open season for other furbearers</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>Steve asked ADF&amp;G what they felt, ADF&amp;G is opposed. ADF&amp;G said currently there is not a lot of incidental take. Birch asked if ADF&amp;G was oppose in part because they do make some money off of these incidental takes and this proposition would probably reduce the amount they would receive. ADF&amp;G stated they don't receive much money from it and not sure if it goes to general fund or not. Dave could see some abuse happening if this regulation is passed. Bob stated that if money is involved there is going to be abuse. Herb called for the question.</td>
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<td>Allow the use of bow and arrow to harvest beaver under a trapping license statewide</td>
<td>Support</td>
<td>Steve was concerned that there was no mention of limits or retrieval methods. ADF&amp;G is neutral, no biological concern. Mel asked the department why there were so many different rules for different parts of the State? ADF&amp;G stated that different Units have different rules. Mel asked ADF&amp;G if this was currently legal in Unit 14? ADF&amp;G said no, as it has never been proposed. Steve now likes this proposal for the added opportunity. Herb calls the question.</td>
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<td>Remove the same day airborne restrictions for taking wolf and wolverine with a trapping license</td>
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<td>Birch read the department of Law comments and asked for NA due to them. (This proposal can't be done in regulation has to legislative) No objections.</td>
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<td>Modify the land and shoot requirements for harvesting coyotes</td>
<td>Support</td>
<td>Steve sees allot more coyotes when he is flying in the winter, so he will support. Hans concurs with Steve. Herb called the question.</td>
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<td>Repeal the restrictions on the use of aircraft for taking big game</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>Steve stated that the author of this proposal is a non-consumptive user. That the author has been removed from an AC meeting (Not sure which AC) and that Steve will strongly oppose this proposal. Herb calls the question. 1 Abstain (Bob).</td>
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<td>Clarify the regulation that prohibits the use of a “cellular or satellite telephone” to take game</td>
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<td>Prohibit the taking of bears in dens</td>
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<td>Remove the exception for taking cub bears and female bears with cubs</td>
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<td>Allow the use of high-powered air guns during regular firearms and muzzleloader big game hunting</td>
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<td>Prohibit the use of airbows for taking big game</td>
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<td>Define the term &quot;equipment&quot; for bear baiting</td>
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<td>about how he is opposed to the Federal takeover of Alaska waterways and that he wants this committee to send a letter to the appropriate people stating that.</td>
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<td>Oppose 0 8</td>
<td>Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide</td>
<td>Steve stated this proposal would reduce incidental take where harvest tickets are currently not needed. ADF&amp;G is neutral. Mel is opposed as he was not pleased when the State required black bear harvest tickets. Herb asked ADF&amp;G if they have gotten better data since the black bear harvest ticket requirement? ADF&amp;G said yes and gave a specific example of 14B, as this is the only data they get for that unit as sealing is not required. Birch asked why ADF&amp;G was neutral on this proposal when it was ADF&amp;G who proposed the black bear harvest ticket requirement in 2008/2009? ADF&amp;G stated different times. Mel stated that if he forgets his black bear harvest ticket he can't hunt a black bear now and he doesn’t like that. Mel would rather require sealing Statewide over a harvest ticket. Herb stated that if black bear harvest tickets are not required Statewide then no need for brown bear to be required. Dave concurs with Herb.</td>
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<td>Oppose 0 7</td>
<td>Animals harvested under auction and raffle permits will not count against the regular bag limit</td>
<td>Birch felt this only concerns a handful of people. Dave stated that if someone wins a governor's tag they can gift it to someone else within seven days, not sell. Hans is against as it only concerns a few people. Herb concurs with Hans. Birch asked ADF&amp;G if a governor's tag meant someone could then get a double bag limit? ADF&amp;G said yes. Dave is familiar with the process as he is involved with a nonprofit. The nonprofit asks ADF&amp;G for a tag and the nonprofit can auction the tag off. Birch asked Dave if he felt that his nonprofit would see less money if this was not passed? Dave said &quot;no.&quot; ADF&amp;G stated that there are less than 50 permits awarded per year currently. Bob stated that some of these tags bring in a lot of money. Herb called the question. 1 Abstain</td>
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<td>Support 8 1</td>
<td>Modify the required hunt procedures for applying for drawing permits</td>
<td>Tim Peltier with ADF&amp;G mentioned that there was a problem with hunters being put in for an antler less hunt (413) and then being disqualified from the entire moose drawing hunts if they put in for 3 other bull hunts as they department considers 413 a hunt for antler less bulls or cows and therefore a bull hunt. Andy Couch offered an amendment that all antler-less hunts be considered as non-bull hunts. Amendment died with no second.</td>
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<td>Modify the Board of Game nonresident drawing permit allocation policy</td>
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<td>This provides the board an opportunity to reconsider allocation— with a priority to resident hunters. 1 - Abstain was not keeping up with the discussion.</td>
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<td>Remove the bag limit restriction for resident relatives accompanying nonresident relatives within the second degree of kindred using note in the book as reason for no action.</td>
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<td>Allow nonresident hunters to harvest brown bear, sheep or goat on behalf of their Alaska resident second degree of kindred relative’s permit ADF&amp;G neutral as is allocative.</td>
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<td>Establish a preference point system for drawing hunts Birch wanted to oppose — thinks state needs money from permit hunts. Stephen Bartelli supports for bison and muskox but thinks this might be too far. Herb supports this concept for all species. ADF&amp;G does drawings in house. Andy supports the concept and believes that those who have been putting into the drawing for many years should eventually get drawn. This proposal does not talk about resident preference.</td>
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<td>Establish a bonus point system for bison and muskox drawing hunts Stephen felt that these two species were so hard to get drawn on that there should be preference points. Mike opposed to the concept of preference points even in this situation.</td>
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<td>Establish a ten percent nonresident moose drawing permit allocation opposed is not ready for a blanket only up to 10* for nonresident moose hunters under a drawing situation. Has voted that way on specific hunts.</td>
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<td>In drawing hunts with a separate allocation for residents and nonresidents, all nonresident permits will be issued from the nonresident allocation COMMENTS??</td>
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<td>Allow nonresidents and residents to apply as a party for hunts having separate permits for residents and nonresidents Andy likes the idea. Department’s comments seem inaccurate— according to the proposal there would have to be both a nonresident and resident permit for this to occur.</td>
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<td>Change nonresident general sheep hunts to drawing permit hunts with a ten percent permit allocation cap What would happen with an under-used area? One committee member had a personal phone call from a hunting guide attempting to keep him out of the area he had been hunting. Another member mentioned being</td>
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<td>Limit nonresident sheep harvest to no more than ten percent of total harvest per subunit</td>
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<td>Implement a sliding scale bag limit for Dall sheep hunting for residents</td>
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<td>Allow nonresidents that have successfully harvested a Dall sheep in the last three years to apply for Dall sheep permits annually</td>
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<td>Exempt rural subsistence hunters from the requirements for obtaining a waterfowl conservation tag</td>
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<td>Remove the nonresident guide requirement for moose and black bear hunts</td>
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<td>Allow the taking of Emperor geese by proxy hunting</td>
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<td>Allow the take of moose by proxy in moose hunts having antler restrictions</td>
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<td>Require antlers be sealed for all antler restricted hunts</td>
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<td>Modify the transfer of possession regulations as it pertains to guided and transported hunters</td>
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52. **Prohibit nonresident hunting of moose and caribou under intensive management until harvest and population objectives are met**

Steve makes a motion to adopt, Mel seconded. Tim said the Dept. was neutral on proposals; there was no biological concerns. Steve asked if there were any areas in the state where it was mandatory to have a guide? Tim believed there were one or two areas in the northern interior. Steve supports, Mel: if not a biological concern there is no reason that non-residents shouldn’t hunt. He said the non-residents are paying a lot of money to the state; Mel opposes. Herman was concerned the Dept. doesn’t weigh in on intensive management issues.

53. **Reevaluate the customary and traditional use finding for migratory game birds statewide**

Tim says the Dept. supports, and has no comments beyond what is referenced in the proposal and this is not an allocation issue. Mel moved to adopt, Steve seconds. Herman says that he believes this is an allocation issue. Why did it take to Dept. to get this out? 2 abstentions because of the lack of information.

54. **Modify the Tier II subsistence hunting permit point system**

Birch moves to adopt, Mel seconds. Tim says the Dept. is neutral because it’s an allocation issue. He also notes a number of issues raised by the State Dept. of Law and that the Alaska Supreme Court says it violates equal access to provisions of the Constitution. Steve: nearly impossible to understand the intent. Hans supports; Mel notes that the author is trying to get back to what Tier #2 used to be. Herman comments that this AC has long been opposed to subsistence priority.

55. **Combine the regulations allowing the take of big game for religious ceremonies and ceremony potlatches**

Mel moves to adopt, Steve seconds. Tim says the Dept. is neutral, although he comments in an un-official capacity that this proposal expands the ability for out of season hunts. Hans asks Tim how many requests does he get a month. Tim says he gets a couple a month for the Valley area and about ¾ of applications take an animal. Mel asks if there is any time restriction, Tim says 12 months. Birch notes that this would be difficult to enforce. Herman supports: saying originally this process was wide open but this proposal puts restrictions and specifications in place. Herman says there needs to be some control on this process.
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<td>Modify the community subsistence harvest permit conditions</td>
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Birch moves to adopt, Steve seconds. Herman comments that this whole issue was discussed last fall. Tim notes that the Dept. is neutral. Steve references paragraph #2 on page 63: says that this is Ahtna’s continued efforts take control of this hunting area. Bob C does not support. Birch does not think the proposal would pass the Dept. of Law language. Herman comments that this whole CHS program is going down the wrong road.

8: PM: Andy Couch arrives at the meeting. This now changes the voting members from 10 to 11.

| **57** | Change the definition of “community” or “group” for community subsistence harvest hunts | **Oppose** 1 | 10 |

Hans moves to adopt, Birch seconds. Tim notes that the Dept. is neutral. Steve suggests that the AC TNA: noting that the BOG will do whatever they want anyway. Mel says that it is important for the AC to comment on the record for this.

Birch did not support this proposal as it seemed to him that the Board of Game seems to be making a definition that might appear to limit community or group to a specific 8 communities. Herman believes this may be a way to focus on specific groups, by does not see how this criteria helps clarify anything. How for instance can the board or department objectively differentiate between communities or groups using these definitions.

| **58** | Modify the salvage requirements for moose and caribou taken under community subsistence harvest hunts | **Support** 10 | 1 |

One member cuts ribs and always bones out the neck before packing. If hunters bag their meat and get their meat out quickly the quality is fine with the current regulation. Herman mentioned that the current regulation may have been partly an attempt to get some hunters to take better care of their meat and better salvage meat — Herman felt most people who want to hunt this area will continue to hunt this area. At least one member felt that regulations should be more difficult for community subsistence hunters that can harvest any bull.

| **60** | Require hunter education for hunters 12 years of age or older, and those under 12 to be accompanied by someone who has successfully completed the course | **Oppose** 3 | 8 |

Birch mentioned Department said it would cost additional money. One AC
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<td><strong>member who is also an instructor said that the state flies instructors out to remote areas. Terry opposed to proposal finds it an affront to something he has master of already. Bob mentioned teaching a course to an individual who was 80 years old and also several other hunters. Bob will support. Stephens likes the courses, but feels that mandating in remote areas will be difficult. Bob Cassel supports hunter safety, but does not support this for whole state. Bob said cost is $10 per person. Herman believes there is a large number of hunters in the state who have not taken hunter safety — he also believes it is needed in the villages and that a number of accidents happen in the villages. Bob said some of the old timers who are excluded at times pose some significant safety hazards.</strong></td>
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<td>Some members do not want to introduce new species to Alaska. 3 abstain one just does not care.</td>
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<td>Members feel cats significantly harm bird populations and are not natural to Alaska.</td>
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<td>The department calls animal control about stray cats rather than dealing with the issue currently. Herman feels in the Mat-Su Valley most residents have some type of control of their dogs — but that many cats are simply let out to run at night, and they catch and kill.</td>
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<td>Bob has several patients who own sheep and goats and are greatly offended by this type proposal.</td>
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<td>Close an area ¼ mile on either side of the Taylor Highway to hunting during caribou season, and limit the number of permits</td>
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<td>How does someone enforce 1/4 mile? Bob said in his experience there were lots of gut piles along the road. He feels that some people may be hunting and / or shooting from the highway. Austin mentioned possible allowing archery only in the 1/4 mile corridor. A member of the public mentioned that both moose and caribou hunting are currently allowed in this area at the same time. This is the area where he moose hunts and he would not want to see moose hunting closed near the highway. Mel mentioned that there are gut piles and it may be ugly along the road — but does not know what the safety really is. Concerning violations that</td>
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<td>Create a new regulation to allow season openings and increased hunting opportunities in-season by emergency order</td>
<td>ADF&amp;G feels they already have the authority. Members talked about when there are situations — mostly big game — but could also be used during large population of small game like snowshoe hares.</td>
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<td>For all antler restricted hunts, require hunters to view an educational video for identifying legal moose</td>
<td>How would legality be satisfied? Bob mentioned that aircraft use in a specific area of the state is now required. To be legal a person has to watch a video, take a test, and print out a card. Mel does not see how this would reduce number of illegal kills. Bob does not believe there is any video out there that would keep people from making a mistake. Herman mentioned that even after watching a video hunters still have to make a judgement call as to whether a moose is legal or not.</td>
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<td>Allow use of crossbows in archery hunts for hunters 60 years of age and older</td>
<td>Does not feel that crossbows should be considered as bows. Ups the ante. Good aspects were that more clean efficient kills could occur with less wounding loss. Another member mentioned that for archery only crossbow should not be allowed. 1 Abstained - Older folks use a crossbow in other states where they are allowed in archery hunts</td>
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Meeting adjourned at 9:14 pm
Minutes of October 9, 2017 taken by Birch Yuknis

Meeting adjourned at 9:02 pm.
Minutes of October 18, 2017 taken by Andy Couch

Meeting adjourned at 9:25.
Minutes of October 25, 2017 taken by Terry Nininger and Andy Couch

Minutes Approved By: Chair
Date: 10/27/2017
McGrath Fish & Game Advisory Committee  
10/3/17  
Assembly Room, Captain Snow Center, McGrath Alaska  

Call to order @ 12:07 by Roger Seavoy  

Roll Call:  

Lewis Egrass - McGrath  
Steffen Strick – McGrath  
Andrew Runkle – Nikolai  
Clinton Goods – Takotna  
Dan Esai – Nikolai  
Roger Seavoy – McGrath  
Peter Snow – McGrath  
Ken Deardorff – McGrath  

Ray Collins joined the meeting @ 12:35  

Members Absent;  

Mark Cox – McGrath  
Jesse Grady – Takotna  
Steffen Strick Jr – McGrath  
Vacant – Nikolai  
Steve/Jimmy Nikolai – Telida  

Lucky Egrass pointed out that there are no longer any residents in Telida. He suggested that the board make the Telida seat and ‘undesignated’ seat.  

Lucky proposed and Peter Snow seconded the motion.  

The motion was approved 8 in favor, 0 opposed.  

Approval of Agenda: So moved by Snow, 2nd by Runkle. 8 in favor, 0 opposed  

Approval of Minutes: Moved by Runkle, 2nd by Goods. 9 in favor (Collins now seated) 0 opposed  

ADF&G staff present; Josh Peirce, John Barton, Louise Standish, Nissa Pilcher (via phone.)  

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Guests Present: Brett Gibbens DPS, Jeremy Havener and Bob Rebarchick USFWS (via teleconference).

Audience Members: Kevin Whitworth, Abe Rose, Elsie Ivy, Mike Tierney, Nick Snow, Francis Mitchell, John Gray, Teddy Burford,

Old Business; the board received a response from USF&WS Greg Siekaniec re; staffing of Innoko office in McGrath. Bob Rebarchick on the phone, interjected that USF&WS intends to staff the McGrath office with a “Park Ranger” as soon as the hiring freeze is lifted.

Bob Rebarchick said the position will be filled by a non-pilot but will have access to the refuge via agency pilot in Galena.

Collins & Esai asked if USF&WS could provide Hunter Ed classes in local villages. Jeremy Havener said USF&WS “would be interested in doing that.”

Seavoy continued to the board: Roger proposed he write another letter encouraging USF&WS to fill the vacancy here ASAP and hopefully additional positions in the future. It is seen as vital that these positions be filled in order to have federal resources onsite for federal educational and administrative procedures without unduly burdening state personnel with small staff and budget.

All board members agreed that Seavoy write the letter and Deardorff will review before sending on to Pilcher for dissemination. No formal vote was taken.

New Business;

Josh Peirce brought up an agenda change request submitted to the BOG by Henry Hill of Sleetmute to consider out of sequence opening moose season in 19A. The SHAC committee added stipulations that the season be a very limited registration hunt with no more than 30 permits offered.

It was moved that this committee support the SHAC’s concerns addressed in their minutes if the ACR becomes a proposal. Moved by Egrass 2nd by Runkle. 9 in favor, 0 opposed. Motion passed.

Draft Proposal Suggestions;

Based on Peirce’s report, the following items were discussed:

1. Seavoy suggested that Peirce draft a proposal to limit the Farewell moose hunt to a registration hunt in an attempt to gather accurate data, not only about harvest but also about methods of transport within the area.
2. Black bears. Seavoy will write a proposal to allow trapping/snaring of black bears

3. Black Bear harvest ticket or sealing. No action taken

4. Lynx; Seavoy volunteered to write a proposal to extend the season on lynx to March 31 to align it with wolverine trapping in the same area. This is at least the second time this change has been requested.

5. Caribou; Seavoy also volunteered to write a proposal to allow a winter caribou hunt that includes unit 21A. The proposal will include, quotas. Season dates, bulls only, registration only, no use of aircraft.

6. Peirce asked about establishing a winter caribou hunt in 19C. The board felt that since there was inadequate data from that area it would not be prudent to suggest a winter hunt.

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<td>Allow the incidental take of up to two furbearers per year during an open season for other furbearers</td>
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<td>Although there was discussion and mixed opinions on this issue, it was felt that the BOG would not pass it. How is AWT supposed to track the ‘get out of jail free’ animals?</td>
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<td>Remove the same day airborne restrictions for taking wolf and wolverine with a trapping license</td>
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<td>This proposal seemed oddly worded and vague.</td>
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<td>Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>The committee felt that the current sealing system is adequate. Collins moved, Esai 2nd. 0 in favor 9 opposed. Motion failed.</td>
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<td>Change nonresident general sheep hunts to drawing permit hunts with a ten percent permit allocation cap</td>
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<td>There could potentially be negative impact on our economy</td>
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<td>Exempt rural subsistence hunters from the requirements for obtaining a waterfowl conservation tag</td>
<td>Oppose</td>
<td>The committee felt that the proposal is trying to address something that is already addressed in current regulation; those that cannot afford it already don’t have to purchase one when they qualify for the $5 license. Members felt that it was a small price to pay for management of the migratory animals, and that game should not be managed via zip code.</td>
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<td>The discussion on this proposal focused on the difficulty of implementation and logistics. The program would have to be ongoing everywhere, and forever to be certain that all those who want to hunt, have received training.</td>
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<td>Reauthorize resident brown bear tag fee exemptions throughout Interior and Eastern Arctic Alaska</td>
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<td>The committee supports the current regulations</td>
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**Other Comments:**

The board authorized Seavoy to write a letter to AWT supporting the current enforcement officer in McGrath and asking for additional funding and support for Trooper Gibbens, especially during hunting season.

Moved by Collins, 2nd by Egrass. Motion passed unanimously.

Board members Esai 7 Runkle expressed concern about the numbers of rafters on Big River and the difficulty of knowing where they are located within the GMU or the boundary of GMU 19C/19D. They asked that GPS co-ordinates be published on maps included in the game regulation booklets. They also expressed concern about sub-legal moose being taken because of confusion about where hunters actual harvest moose.

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They also suggested check stations manned either by ADF&G or volunteers.

Peirce, ADF&G said they would include coordinates on future maps.

Medfra Airport; Egrass commented that he has been approached wanting to know exactly what the situation is with the Medfra airport relative to moose hunters and aircraft. Although the board dealt with this in December, Peirce explained to all again what the current regulations are.

Adjournment; Strick moved and Egrass 2nd, to adjourn @ 1620. Unanimous approval!

Minutes taken by Ken Deardorff
Minutes approved by Roger Seavoy 10/10/2017
I. Call to Order: 6:21 by Alan Mortensen

II. Roll Call:

Members Present:
Chair Alan Mortensen
Vice Chair John Basile
Secretary Erik Haugen
Jacob Mattila
Nan Eagleson
Jeremy Wolf
Leroy Sutton
Paul Vandyke
Coke Wallace
Myron Stokes

Members Absent:
Matt Nutsvold (excused)
Wayne Valcq (excused)

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 6

List of User Groups Present: None

III. Approval of Agenda: Approved; unanimous.

IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Approved; unanimous.

V. Fish and Game Staff Present: Tony Hollis and Mark Nelson

VI. Guests Present: None

VII. Old Business: None
VIII. New Business:

- Election of Seats:
  - Anderson Seats Paul, Myron, Leroy, and Alan’s seat are up for election. Paul spoke with Jeff Stenger and he is interested in filling a seat. Paul is nominating Jeff Stenger for Clear B, Myron’s seat. Jeff is known by Allan and Leroy as a decent man who hunts in the area. Though not present, Paul spoke for Jeff stating he is interested in a seat on the council.
  - Vote for electing Jeff Stenger for Clear B; Paul nominates; Leroy seconds; vote unanimous
  - Vote for reelecting Paul for Clear A; Leroy nominates, Coke Seconds; vote unanimous
  - Vote for reelecting Alan for Clear C; Coke nominates, Paul seconds; vote unanimous
  - Vote for reelecting Leroy for Clear D; Coke nominates; Paul seconds; vote unanimous

- Other expired seats are in Healy; the council will postpone voting until next meeting in Healy

- Tony Hollis from F&G had comments on drawing permits. Antlerless moose hunts in 20A had 384 permits given out, with an objective of killing 120 cows. The reported harvest so far is 43. 1000 any bull permits were issued, and as of today only 156 hunt reports were filed. Of the number of permits issued, only half are usually used, and of which only half usually report a successful harvest; the number projected is 250.

20A caribou had 150 tags issued, and 66 caribou were harvested. Sheep numbers look good.

Sheep survey this July and last year show these were the best years in the number of legal rams seen. 120 sheep were taken in 20A last year. No numbers are available on this year’s harvest yet, but the prediction is for a good harvest. Surveys are taken by aerial method in the same section every year. It is in the lower section of Kansas creek, over to Delta and Snowshoe Creek area. This year was also the best lamb to yew ratio as well with 38 lambs per hundred. It is safe to predict that 2021 may be a little lower.

- Leroy was questioning the any bull tag lottery in 20A. Leroy stated he was out in the field for 30 days in 20A and saw no legal (50”) bulls. He did see many cows with calves. He feels that the any bull tag is hurting the herd for producing legal animals. He would like to do away with the any bull permits. He would also like to stop the cow harvest, and he would like to reverse the trend he sees in the 20A area. Leroy strongly feels the liberal bull harvest and cow hunt trend is hurting the herd. His suggestion is to keep the area in the 50” four brow tine rule for the next few years. Coke’s question on the liberal harvest is this really the ideal way to help the feed range of the moose. Cokes question is did the harvest meet the numbers. Tony stated the F&G wants to keep the herd at 13,000. Tony stated that camps in 20A cannot be managed. Areas change via vegetation growth, fires, and hunting pressure. Moose will move around based on these changes. Tony stated they could look at the any bull tags and distribute them by sub-area within a game section. Once the numbers come in he will look at the data and see if a change is needed. Leroy doesn’t understand how the any bull tag, taking the medium bulls in the middle of the size range, works. The area used to be any bull from 1986 through 2002. Leroy stated that it was brought up to three brow tines after that. Myron brought up the point that one year a long time ago there was no horn restrictions and a liberal cow take that dropped the population. Alan asked if the big
burns have been watched; Tony stated they are. Moose tend to go from the burn area to rut in the hills then return.

- Paul had a question about what cycle could the topic of mule deer be discussed. The question is the deer are not on the list of Ferrell game. Paul thought it would be a benefit to list them to be harvested, with a requirement to bring the hide in for moose tick inspection. Tony stated that F&G is thinking about making a proposal for Unit 20 and Unit 12 to have a no closed season, no harvest ticket, no limit, with some requirements to bring in samples of the animal for testing. Jeremy stated he saw 15 mule deer when he lived in Salcha. The tick has been found in Southern Yukon, but not in the Northern Yukon as of now. There have been reports of mountain lions as well, but no one has been able to get a picture. Someone in the Kobe subdivision stated they saw a lion with cubs last year.

- Alan asked a question about the new study with the sheep, and new judging methods. Brad Wendling is the sheep biologist, and he may attend a future meeting. Discussing a 500 animal sample swath is showing that 50% of the rams were legal the year before. The study will show a specific area and the growth in the area. Horns do not grow well in tough years and growth will show it. Alan spoke about a swath of eight-year-old rams and how different the growth was between all of them.

- Paul asked about when the next proposal deadline is for the interior. The proposal deadline will be somewhere around May 2019.

- Jacob is volunteering to go the Anchorage meeting, and Coke is the alternate. Next Advisory council meeting is scheduled for 9 Jan in Healy.

- Next topic is proposal discussion. Since Myron gave up his seat to Jeff, Myron did not vote.

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<td>Jacob opened discussion on his proposal. The discussion is to allow 8 yr olds to hunt. John and Erik had concerns on an 8 yr old passing Hunters Ed. Erik is a proponent of Hunters Ed. and asked for a possible amendment to this proposal. He asked for the proposal to state that an 8 yr old that has passed Hunters Ed. could participate in the youth hunt. Jacob brought up the difference between allowing an 8 yr old to hunt in the general hunt without Hunters Ed. but not in the youth hunt. Most on the council was not in favor of the amended verbiage. F&amp;G is neutral on this topic. Coke made a motion to support the proposal, Paul seconds. Erik and Jeremy did not support.</td>
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<td>Alan opened discussion on his proposal. Department is neutral on this. The proposal would require a change of many regulations and laws, while not solving any issues. F&amp;G believes it may be a non-starter due the confusion it would cause with existing laws. Coke made a motion to vote, and Paul seconds.</td>
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<td>Require harvest tickets for all brown bear hunts statewide</td>
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<td>Nan asked what the F&amp;G stance is on this. Tony stated the department’s stance is neutral on this. This is because you have to seal a bear, so the harvest numbers are recorded. There was no vote.</td>
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<td>32</td>
<td>Establish a bonus point system for bison and muskox drawing hunts</td>
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<td>Alan opened discussion to support. Alan discussed how some lower 48 states have this, but the way the bracketing works, even if you have enough points, you may never get chose. Tony stated that F&amp;G looked at it and for the delta tag, the point system wouldn’t change that much because 9000 people put in for the tag and with a limited number of tags there is not enough for all the top point holders. It really makes no difference. Coke mentioned the administrative cost of tracking it. There was no vote.</td>
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<td>36</td>
<td>Change nonresident general sheep hunts to drawing permit hunts with a ten percent permit allocation cap</td>
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<td>Coke asked what the department’s stance is on proposal 36 and 37. The department is neutral on opportunity between resident and non-resident. Coke asked to bundle a vote on 36 and 37. Coke motioned for a vote, and Leroy seconds for bundle. John and Nan are neutral and abstained.</td>
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<td>Jacob opened discussion on this and does not like the sliding scales as it punishes successful hunters. Jacob asked to bundle this and 39. Jacob made a motion to vote, Erik seconds.</td>
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<td>Nan opened discussion on this. She brought up the point that we have discussed this in the past and made a vote to restrict non-residents to hunt in intensive management areas. Tony stated F&amp;G said 20E and 19 are the affected areas in this proposal. The department is neutral on this. No biologic affects are addressed in this proposal. The proposal only affects two of the three animals used for high human consumption. Nan made a proposal to vote, Erik Seconds. Alan was neutral.</td>
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<td>Allow the release of sterilized, feral cats into the wild</td>
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<td>Leroy opened discussion on this. The F&amp;G stance is it opposes this proposal. Leroy made a motion to vote, Nan seconds.</td>
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Adjournment: We covered what pertains to the state or unit 20, and it was agreed we do not need another meeting to discuss other proposals. Meeting adjourned at 9:25.

Minutes Recorded By: Erik Haugen
Minutes Approved By: Allan Mortenson per AC
Date: 10/8/2017