



*The Middle Nenana River AC commented on proposals at their November 5, November 19, and December 19, 2019 meetings, which have all compiled into the proposal template starting on page 12. The front pages for those meetings are included in this packet, as are the complete set of minutes for the January 14, 2020. Full sets of minutes for each meeting are available on the AC webpage at: [www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.acinfo&ac=middle\\_nenana\\_river](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.acinfo&ac=middle_nenana_river).*

**Middle Nenana AC  
5 Nov 2019  
Tri-Valley School, Healy, AK**

- I. Call to Order: 6:10 by Allan Mortenson
  
- II. Roll Call  
Members Present:  
Paul Van Dyke; Clear A  
Jeff Stenger; Clear B  
Allan Mortenson; Clear C  
Leroy Sutton; Alt  
Wayne Valcq; Ferry  
John Basile; Healy B  
Coke Wallace; Healy C  
Erik Haugen; Healy E  
Alex Buetow; McKinley  
Jeremy Wolf; Undesignated  
Paul Nybers; Alt (voted in this meeting)  
  
Members Absent (Excused):  
Jacob Mattila; Healy D  
Matt Nustvold; Healy A  
  
Members Absent (Unexcused):  
N/A  
  
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 7  
  
List of User Groups Present: None
  
- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: None
  
- IV. Guests Present: None
  
- V. Approval of Agenda  
John motion to approve, second to approve agenda; unanimous to approve agenda.



- VI. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes  
Paul made a motion to approve minutes, Jeremy second; unanimous to approve minutes.
- VII. Reports  
None
- VIII. Public Comment  
None
- IX. Old Business  
None
- X. New Business

**- Chair, Allan Mortensen, covered a review of Roberts Rules of Orders and how we conduct the meeting.** An “abstained” counts as a no vote. Public was also informed that they can vote for representatives on seats, but only committee members vote on proposals.

**- Elections of expired seats**

Seats up for nomination John Basile, Coke Wallace, and Jeremy Wolf’s seats are up for election.

Healy B – John Basile; Paul nominates. Vote unanimous.

Healy C – Coke Wallace; Wayne nominates. Vote unanimous.

Healy Undesignated – Jeremy Wolf; Paul nominates. Vote unanimous.

Paul Nyberg, public in attendance, was interested on serving on the committee. Discussion by the AAC was that we had an open alternate seat. Paul said he was interested. Also, Andrew and Johnathan Talerico were interested in serving, and asked the board to look into increasing the number of seats since we can have up to 15 members. Allan took an action to discuss this with Nissa. Alternate seat was discussed more. The AAC agreed to fill the open alternate seat.

Alternate Seat – Paul Nyberg; Wayne Nominates. Vote Unanimous

**- Proposals**

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discussed and tabled for further discussion, it will be listed here and added to the next meeting agenda as "Old Business."

### **Proposal 120**

Erik motioned to bring to table; Leroy seconded. Erik opposes this proposal because many average working persons cannot always get 1-10 Sept off. 25 day gives a person options on dates to hunt. Leroy discussed he expected opposition. He spent four full weeks out in the area and saw very few bulls. Ideas behind this proposal is to stop people rushing into area because of easy access. Leroy thinks this would help preserve population of the moose in this heavily pressured area. John thinks it would be nice to hear biologist comments on this. Wayne said heavy hunted areas do not have the gene pool they used to. There are few three or four brow tine moose in the area. Now we see a 60" moose with 1 or 2 brow tines. Paul said he got a 4 brow tine, 41" moose this year. Jeff hunted the any bull unit, and he saw many bulls, and a lot of big ones. Jeff said he is not a fan of shortened season. Leroy brought up this is an access issue because not everyone can get deep into 20C. Coke said some years it's easy to find moose and sometimes it's not. **Allan made a motion to table until we can discuss with Fish and Game, Alex seconded. Vote was unanimous**

### **Proposal 123**

Paul made a motion to discuss, Jeremy seconded. Paul said original purpose of area was to protect workers in the coal mine. A question came up if the coal mine wants this, and answer was the coal mine was not involved in this proposal. There is a lot of people hunting the accessible bow area. Alex, is in favor of expanding an archery only area. Andrew Talerico thinks this current proposal would negatively affect rifle hunters in the area. Wayne asked are there rules about changing boundaries, but Allan thinks there was not, and we vote and push forward. Coke said it may need time to discuss with coal mine safety. **Paul made a motion to table to discuss more. John seconds. Vote was unanimous.**

### **Proposal 127/128**

Erik makes a motion to support, Allan seconds. Jeff asked why these boundaries were initially set or the reasoning behind keeping them at this point. Leroy asked why this would relieve pressure in the area. Erik's thinking behind this proposal was to allow more access deeper into the area, thus relieving some pressure in the front end of Ferry. Coke said the area has a long history of horseback hunting. Coke said the boundaries were created way back in the early years. Coke said wheelers would come in a flood and impact the tundra. Paul said his motorized vehicle doesn't leave traces. Allan said he is concerned about the influx of motorized. **Erik make a motion to table until F&G can comment. 10 support -1 Opposed. Tabled until next meeting.**

### **Proposal 129**

Coke made a motion to support, John seconded. Much discussion on this area and as to why this was originally set to not allow motorized drop off of hunting equipment all year long. The consensus is it was to preserve a hike in/horse use area. Coke thinks this proposal simplifies the regulations and makes it easy to enforce. Alex asked if Coke is concerned about hauling oats and feed through the area, and Coke was not. Alex likes the rules in this area to preserve the non-



motorized sections. John thought this proposal brought this unit in-line with most other units where you can drop off gear prior to the season start. **Alex made a motion to table for later, Coke seconds. Vote to table unanimous.**

- XI. Select representative(s) for board meeting  
N/A
  
- XII. Set next meeting date  
Because there are so many proposals to get through, the AAC agreed to meet every two weeks for the next month or two. **The next meeting is scheduled for the 19th of November at 6 PM in Anderson Lions club.**
  
- XIII. Adjourn  
Allan made a motion to adjourn, and Paul seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:07.



**Middle Nenana AAC  
19 Nov 2019  
Tri-Valley School, Healy, AK**

- I. Call to Order: 6:18 by Allan Mortenson
  
- II. Roll Call  
Members Present:  
Paul Van Dyke; Clear A  
Jeff Stenger; Clear B  
Allan Mortenson; Clear C  
Leroy Sutton; Alt  
John Basile; Healy B  
Coke Wallace; Healy C  
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Members Absent (Excused):  
Jacob Mattila; Healy D  
Wayne Valcq; Ferry (left after explanation of number of seats, and fact that we had alternates present)  
  
Members Absent (Unexcused):  
N/A  
  
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 6  
  
List of User Groups Present: None
  
- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: None
  
- IV. Guests Present: None
  
- V. Approval of Agenda  
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VII. Reports  
None

VIII. Public Comment  
None

IX. Old Business  
Allen looked into adding a few seats to the board. Nissa said what was written on the bottom of the agenda, "...up to 15 seats...", was on there since 2006, and BOG has decided that we only get 11 voting seats; we can have alternates. Since we can only have 11 vote, Wayne said Paul Nyberg can sit in his place as alternate for tonight's meeting.

X. New Business

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### **Proposal 132**

**Tabled until F&G rep can give population and harvest data.**

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### **Proposal 136**

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**Proposal 142**

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**Proposal 143**

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**Proposal 144**

**Tabled until F&G rep can give population and harvest data.**

**Proposal 145**

**Tabled until F&G rep can give population and harvest data.**

- XI. Select representative(s) for board meeting  
N/A
- XII. Set next meeting date  
**The next meeting is scheduled for the 17 Dec, 2019, 6 PM at the Healy School.**
- XIII. Adjourn  
Allan made a motion to adjourn, and Paul seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:10.



**Middle Nenana AC**  
**17 Dec 2019**  
**Tri-Valley School, Healy, AK**

I. Call to Order: 6:05 by Allan Mortenson

II. Roll Call

Members Present:

Paul Van Dyke; Clear A

Jeff Stenger; Clear B

Allan Mortenson; Clear C

Leroy Sutton; Alt

John Basile; Healy B

Coke Wallace; Healy C

Erik Haugen; Healy E

Jeremy Wolf; Undesignated

Paul Nyberg; Alt

Matt Nustvold; Healy A

Alex Buetow; McKinley

Jacob Mattila; Healy D

Wayne Valcq; Ferry

Members Absent (Excused):

N/A

Members Absent (Unexcused):

N/A

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 6

List of User Groups Present: None

III. Fish and Game Staff Present: Tony and Mark.

- a. Discussed Moose in 20A. F&G does not have general harvest numbers for moose yet. They did have Drawing permits harvest data. Snow in November helped the moose surveys this year. They did 20A and 20B. F&G started 7 Nov in 20A. Did four days of survey first. Population estimate for 20A is 11,700 moose. Bull cow ratios is 36 bulls per 100 cows; objective is 25 bulls. We had 35 calves per 100 (25% survival rate); those are good numbers. We want between 10,000 - 15,000 moose. We are in that window. The population is stable. Bull cow ratio is above



the mark, so F&G does not feel the any bull harvest is over or too high. Last year they cut back on any bull permits by 35%, and cow by 40%. 2019 266 permits were issued across 20A for cows, 46 were harvested. 721 any bull permits were issued, 214 were harvested. Caribou in 20A, 150 permits issued, 69 were harvested. Stats were given on permits 774 and 770 draw permits. 2019, 770 bull permits, 43 hunted, and 29 harvested. 774, 29 hunted, 18 harvested. Cows map showed hunts per area. DM641, 6 harvested; 644, 1 harvested; 647, 2 harvested; 652, 0. Based on survey, F&G want to maintain population where it is. F&G wants to approach cow hunts conservatively. F&G would like to bring the any bull hunts back up to previous levels in the more inaccessible areas, 771, 772, 768, and keep easy access areas the same. Leroy asked why 25 bulls per 100 is the target. Tony said you can go as low as 10 or 12 bulls per 100, but they stick to 25 to keep hunters happy.

- b. Sheep tags are mostly in. 20A had 90 sheep harvested. 40 Non-residents, 46 Resident. Average size 33.8". Average age was 9.
- c. Tony had a question on proposal 133, making the Stampede area Bow and Muzzle loader only, which was submitted by the Middle Nenana AAC. He wanted to clarify if it is targeting moose. The AAC is targeting the moose population only. Tony said whomever represents at the BOG meeting explain the boarder and what we are seeking.
- d. Tony asked about Wayne's proposal on 132. It was to shorten moose season by 5 days. Tony asked if was just had the general season. Wayne said yes, just general season. Wayne said he is 80 years old and in 50 years of being a hunter in Alaska, he has seen the impact humans have on the ecosystem. We used to have big salmon, now there are not. If you look at Sweden and Norway, and what they did to moose, they have shrunk; instead of having 1000 lb moose, there are 400 lb moose. Now his concern is the brow tines on moose. There used to be four and five brow tine moose, now there are only two or spike running around. Allen had a question about the older verses the young bull doing the breeding. Allen mentioned sheep used to have to be 6 year old for harvest, but survivability of the young were weak, so they went to 8 year old sheep. Tony mentioned the Fairbanks management area. The young bulls are breeding, but he doesn't know the impact on size or survivability because the old bulls get harvested. No one knows if over time there is an impact on the size of the bulls. Leroy asked why we have antler restriction in 20A. Tony said the bull cow ratio was low at one time, so the antler restriction was put in to bring up the ratio. You could make the zone any bull, but you would have to shorten the season to maintain the bull numbers. Jeff asked about 20C. 20C is a low density area, compared to 20A. Outside Denali there are 4000 moose. There are 46 bulls per 100. There are a lot of fires, and that will be prime hunting in a few years. 20A and 20B have thousands of hunters, so concertation of effort is 20 A and B. Matt asked about how many any bull permits will go out next year. 2018 was 1100, 2019 721. Tony wants to concentrate on the inaccessible areas. Aiming for 1000'ish tags, but concentrated on the remote areas. Matt asked if the money for the tags goes



towards the Fed Govt match, it does. So \$5 turns into \$20 towards hunting and fish and game.

- IV. Guests Present: Denali Borough Mayor Clay Walker. Mayor Walker is impressed with the level of participation in the AAC. He also thanked everyone for servings on the AAC. Clay did read through the proposals and finds them interesting. Denali Borough does not weigh in on any F&G management issues. He has had people come in and talk about Ferry and making the hunts different, I.E. archery hunt, for safety aspects only. Allen asked if Mayor Walker wants to see anything from us, and he said just due consideration for the process and proposals.

Trooper Trent Tercowski (sp?) introduced himself. He has worked in Kenai, Homer, Haines, and Cantwell. He has been a Wildlife trooper for 12 Years.

- V. Approval of Agenda  
John motion to approve, second to approve agenda; unanimous to approve agenda.

- VI. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes  
LeRoy made a motion to approve minutes, Paul seconded; unanimous to approve minutes.

- VII. Reports  
None

- VIII. Public Comment  
None

- IX. Old Business  
Many proposals that were tabled until we had an F&G rep to ask questions.

- X. New Business

**- Proposals:**

Proposal 120, previously tabled.

Proposal 123, previously tabled.



Proposal 127/128, previously tabled.

Proposal 129, previously tabled.

Proposal 132, previously tabled.

Proposal 135, previously tabled.

Proposal 140, previously tabled.

Proposal 144, previously tabled.

XI. Select representative(s) for board meeting  
N/A

XII. Set next meeting date  
The next meeting set for Jan 14th at 6 PM at McKinley village, pending securing the slot.

XIII. Adjourn  
Allan made a motion to adjourn, and Paul seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:00

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Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
48	Extend the season for taking wolves in Units 19, 20, 21, 24, 25, 26B, and 26C		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Paul made a motion to support, Jeremy seconds. Paul supports the idea of opening earlier. It also give more opportunity to those hunting caribou and sheep early if the see a wolf. <b>Vote to support; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
49	For the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region, allow the use of crossbows in archery only hunt areas for hunters possessing permanent identification cards		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Paul made a motion to support, Jeff seconds. The group supports it. <b>Vote to support; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
50	Establish registration archery only hunts for bull moose in the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region Units that have general moose seasons		



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<b>Support</b>	10	1	Erik made a motion to support, Matt seconds. Erik likes any archery hunt. Providing another opportunity to hunt moose after regular season can provide good opportunities for archers. He has seen many big moose while bird hunting after the general moose season, and would appreciate an opportunity to hunt them with a bow. <b>Vote to support 10, Oppose 1. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
51	Remove the bag limit restriction of one sheep every four years for nonresidents over the age of 60 hunting in the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region		
<b>Support As Amended</b>	11	0	Leroy made a motion to support, Alex seconds. Leroy said how many more hunts do you have in your lifetime when you are 60? If someone is in good enough shape to hunt, let them. There was much discussion on how this affects Tok and Delta areas. Matt is saying this gives an unfair advantage over a resident. Allen makes a motion, Matt seconds to amend verbiage, <b>“Remove general season bag limit season restriction” Vote to support; Unanimous as Ammended. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
52	Change the nonresident general season sheep hunts in Units 20 Remainder and 19C to drawing permit hunts		
<b>Oppose</b>	0	11	Coke made a motion to discuss, Allen seconds. Coke said he was working on this with the sheep management group. Coke said he gave a little room for 1 sheep every 4 years. He doesn't like the Resident Hunters of Alaska group because they don't want any non-resident hunters. Coke also says that F&G would step in and change the hunt if needed. Allen agrees that as long as residents do not pay for tags, it is hard turn down non-residents who do pay a majority. Allen mentioned that some of the Resident Hunter of Alaska members are serious plane hunters, and that they are after the trophy hunts. <b>Vote to Oppose; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
53	Establish an archery only registration permit hunt for Dall sheep in the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region		



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<b>Oppose</b>	0	11	Allen made a motion to discuss, Alex seconds. Allen opposes because this is during the youth sheep season. He also says there are two months to hunt sheep. <b>Vote to oppose; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
54	Reauthorize resident grizzly/brown bear tag fee exemptions throughout Interior and Northeast Alaska		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Allen made a motion to support, Alex seconds. <b>Vote to support; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
120	Shorten the season for the any bull moose drawing permit hunt in Unit 20A		
<b>Oppose</b>	0	11	Leroy made a motion to support, Erik seconded. Leroy said there is too easy of access in the area. Leroy said Tony's numbers say the bull to 100 ration is good. Leroy thinks shortening the season manages the people. This is only for the any bull tag, to be 1-10 September. Allen mentioned the any bull permit is used to fine tune the target numbers of moose. Tony mentioned the F&G only supports, amends, or opposes. F&G does not vote on allocation. Tony and F&G only go for target numbers, so if we want a 10 day season, it won't affect the target numbers, so F&G would recommend 3 times the numbers of tags. Mark echoed that, if they want a target of 50 bulls, and they give out 500 any bull tags to get it, if we shorten the season they would give 1500 tags. Allen asked if there is any more discussion. Taken to a vote to support 0 , Opposed unanimous. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>
121	Establish hunt areas for moose drawing permit DM770 in Unit 20A		
<b>Supported</b>	10	1	Paul made a motion to discuss, Jeremy seconds. Paul thinks it's a good idea to do something to the area to split up the pressure on the bulls. Paul also stated this may be a good alternate to Leroy's proposal of a shortened any bull season. Paul Nyberg said the cow hunt is divided into different time periods and zones, and he feels this could be a good way to handle the any bull hunt. Paul has hunted here since 89 or 90 and has seen less brow tines as discussed earlier. Allan said we as an AAC were responsible for breaking up the cow hunt into smaller areas, and we could do the



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			same here. Erik discussed possible tabling to discuss with F&G, but others were in favor of a vote. Vote 10 in favor; 1 abstained. 10-1 Pass to 121 Supported. <b>Voted on Nov 5, 2019</b>
122	Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20A		
<b>Support</b>	9	2	Allen made a motion to discuss, Paul seconds. Allen said it is controversial because of the antlerless hunt. Allen thinks F&G is doing a good job of keeping the moose number healthy. Paul was always opposed to cow hunts, but there has been a lot of changes, so he is not as opposed to it now. Paul does not like registration hunts, but the draw hunts seem to be doing ok. Allen mentioned there was madness with a registration hunt because the locals had there areas, then all the out of towners come rushing in. AAC has made recommendations, and it seems to be working. The comity seems to be making improvements to the antlerless hunt which makes it more acceptable. Tony said the department understands what Allen said, and no one likes coming to a meeting and everyone being mad at him. He understand local concerns with out of towners coming in, but that does happen everywhere. He said he and Mark work close with AAC to keep the numbers good. Clay recalls a resolution from the assembly passing a resolution on antlerless, but it was one time. Allen brings it to a vote. All in favor supporting 9, Opposed 2 <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>
123	Expand the Healy-Lignite Management Area in Unit 20A		
<b>Oppose</b>	0	11	Erik made a motion to discuss, Matt seconds. Paul did talk to Coal Mine Safety, they did not want to get involved in it. Allen asked if this could keep expanding if Usibelli expands deeper into the area. Mark from F&G said in 1973 it was closed due to the Coal Mine, in 1990 it was opened to Archery only. The boundary has remained the same since 1990. It is 26 Square miles. The proposed would be 71 miles. Paul asked if there has ever been an incident; no incidents known. Jeff said if Usibelli had an issue, they would have brought it up, so Jeff wonders if it is necessary.



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			Bring it to a vote. Support 0, Opposed unanimous. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>
124	Allow shotguns for hunting within the Healy-Lignite Management Area in Unit 20A		
<b>Opposed</b>	0	11	Wayne made a motion to discuss, Allan seconded. Discussion was on 124, 125, 126 since these are all the same proposals with slight variations on each. Johnathan discusses difference in 124/125 and that 124 opens shotgun for big game as well. 125 Brings it for small game only. Wayne thinks it is an open sore and should keep it to small game only. Leroy supported Waynes idea. Johnathan suggesting opposing this one and we go for 125. Vote to support, 0 supported, all opposed, unanimous; 124 Opposed. <b>Voted on Nov 5, 2019</b>
125	Allow shotguns for hunting small game, within the Healy-Lignite Management Area in Unit 20A		
<b>Opposed</b>	2	9	Allan made motion to discuss, Jeff seconds. Allan said we just discussed safety at mine, but could go either way. Paul thinks archery only areas should have been stated for big game, and keep it open for small game with shotgun and rim fire. Erik brought up amending do after moose season. Johnathan just thinks it opens up to upland bird. <b>Vote to support, 2 Support, 9 Oppose; 125 Opposed. Voted on Nov 5, 2019</b>
126	Allow shotguns and rimfire weapons for hunting small game within the HealyLignite Management Area in Unit 20A		
<b>Support as amended</b>	9	2	Allan made a motion to support, Paul seconds. Erik mentioned amending this to allow rim fire and shotgun after the general archery moose season. Allan supports amending to Erik's idea to open to rim fire and shotgun after moose season. Paul made verbiage for the amendment, Erik Seconds " <b>shotguns and rim fires are excluded during general moose season.</b> " The AAC also looks to F&G for proper legal verbiage -- <b>Vote on the amendment 9 support, 2 oppose. Vote to support, 9 support, 2 oppose, Support proposal 126 as amended. Voted on Nov 5, 2019</b>
127	Modify the boundary of the Wood River Controlled Use Area in Unit 20A		



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<b>Oppose</b>	1	10	Erik made a motion to support, and Allen seconded. History from Mark at F&G. Wood river controlled uses started in 1976, and was a bigger area. It was closed to motorized year around. It remained that way until 1977, then Yanert was removed from this area, and kept the travel restriction. The rest of wood river was only restricted during hunting. In 1988 This AAC put in a motion to remove the non-motorized restriction, then 1989 they made a motion to put it back because of impact to the area. They put it in 1977 because of sheep management. Proposal 127 impacts 80% of the area, and 128 impacts 20%. Again, 1988 proposal created big conflicts between users. Allen thought this was an issue because of the mountain access. Mark said they can manage biologic concerns if the change impacts. Mark said moose can be managed by permits. He feels it is an allocation of user groups. Coke said the area has a big history of horseback, from Wagaman and Castle. Coke thinks we need to keep some areas for horse. Erik asked if F&G thinks it will disperse the harvest. Tony thinks it would increase the harvest not disperse it. Vote 127 and 128. In support 1, Opposed 10. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>
128	Modify the boundary of the Wood River Controlled Use Area in Unit 20A		
<b>Oppose</b>	1	10	Erik made a motion to support, and Allen seconded. History from Mark at F&G. Wood river controlled uses started in 1976, and was a bigger area. It was closed to motorized year around. It remained that way until 1977, then Yanert was removed from this area, and kept the travel restriction. The rest of wood river was only restricted during hunting. In 1988 This AAC put in a motion to remove the non-motorized restriction, then 1989 they made a motion to put it back because of impact to the area. They put it in 1977 because of sheep management. Proposal 127 impacts 80% of the area, and 128 impacts 20%. Again, 1988 proposal created big conflicts between users. Allen thought this was an issue because of the mountain access. Mark said they can manage biologic concerns if the change impacts. Mark said moose can be managed by permits. He feels it is an allocation of user groups. Coke said the area has a big history of horseback, Wagaman and Castle. Coke thinks we need to keep some areas for horse. Erik asked if F&G thinks it will disperse the harvest. Tony thinks it would increase the harvest not disperse it. Vote 127 and 128. In support 1, Opposed 10. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>



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129	Change the closure dates for the Yanert Controlled Use Area (CUA) in Unit 20A to align with the Wood River CUA, and clarify whether horse feed is considered "hunting gear"		
<b>Oppose</b>	3	8	Alex made a motion to bring to the table, and Jeff Seconds. Coke said he is not concerned with the area. It is based on the interpretation of the trooper with regards to horse feed. Coke spoke a lot about the interpretation of horse food. Allen said it would give open and closer dates much like Wood River. Coke thinks the purpose of this came about from a caribou harvest in Yanert years back. The village community would be opposed to this because of the impact of motorized access. Alex thinks people would be opposed to it. Clay, as a resident and hunter of that area thinks it could be an impact. He thinks we should separate the two parts (horse feed/transporting gear) and look at them separately. Mark said it will probably be deferred to a state wide issue. Coke said he goes in any time of the year. The Trooper said his job is easy when it is clearly defined, and the horse food is not. So then the trooper must look at how is it enforced3 state wide. Matt said we voted to keep it the same the last two meeting. Vote Support 3, opposed 8. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>
130	Disallow the issuance of methods and means disability exemption permits for the Yanert Controlled Use Area in Unit 20A		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	LeRoy made a motion to approve, Coke Seconds. Leroy said these people can ride a horse. Coke gave a few examples of people who are disabled that can ride horses. Leroy's concern is allowance of ATV's in the areas ruins these non-motorized area. Jeff mentioned people will take advantage of it saying they have a disability, that really isn't. Coke said they were in a UTV, and other peoples gear can be put in that. There was debate on the difference between a war vet and a regular person. In favor, Unanimous. <b>Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
131	Limit the use of off-road vehicles for moose hunting in Unit 20A		



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<b>Opposed</b>	1	10	<p>LeRoy made a motion to approve, and Allen seconds. Leroy has seen people chase down the moose. He also says there are people who go in and out all the time and it creates alot of noise. He is also concerned about the habitat being destroyed. Sadly, ferry is an area with accessibility, and it is abused. ATV's have destroyed the trails out there. Erik, said he doesn't like the proposal because he has been driving out to camp, when he was fortunate enough to find a moose on the way into the camp. He has also used ATV's to move sections when there wasn't any moose in the area he started out in. Paul made the point that his group is all older, and they ride out to spotting points in the morning, and this would preclude him from hunting that way since he wouldn't be able to shoot an animal like this. Leroy said the real issue is people running around all day. Coke added that Troopers are not happy with same day airborne because it is unenforceable. John added that we are trying to legislate ethics, and this isn't a way to do it. <b>Vote, in favor, 1, 10 Opposed.</b> Matt noted Minnesota had a law that you could use an ATV in the morning, then not again until 2 PM. <b>Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b></p>
132	Shorten the moose hunting season in Units 20A and 20C		
<b>Opposed</b>	0	11	<p>Paul made a motion to support, Wayne seconds. Paul said the bulls looked calm in the rut this year, so he didn't think it made a difference. Jeff said F&amp;G said the population is healthy, so it is not broke and there is nothing to fix. Jeff is opposed to this. Wayne said the bigger bulls come out the last 5 days of season. Tony said there are more bulls moving, the get dumber as they get close to the rut. Wayne spoke about the gene pool. Tony said the best hunting is later. The data shows the harvest as it is currently is sustainable. Vote Support 0, Opposed 11 unanimous <b>Voted on 17 Dec 19</b></p>
133	Establish the Stampede Trail Management Area in Unit 20C for archery and muzzleloader hunting only		



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<b>Support</b>	11	0	Erik made a motion to support, and Jeremy seconded. Much discussion on amending the boundary to the east to the Nenana river, and south toward Bison or Antler creek. Also, discussion on does the Archery affect all game or just big game; it only affects moose hunting. <b>Vote, support; unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
134	Open a resident youth hunt for moose in Unit 20C		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Leroy made a motion to support, Paul seconds. Leroy made the point that this would be affected by hunt 133. There was discussion about whether both parent and youth have to punch their tag. And Answer is yes. <b>Vote, support; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
135	Shorten the moose season five days in a portion of Unit 20B		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Erik made a motion to discuss, Jeremy seconds. Tony said F&G put this in, and it is for the remainder of 20B. It covers the remainder and has road system. This area for 25 years Sept 1 – 15, was any bull. The population hit 20,000 moose, which was too many. F&G wanted to bring the population down. So, F&G extended the season 5 days and kept it any bull to bring population in check. In 2017 they did a survey and it was 18 bulls per 100 cows. F&G said they think it is time to recover the bull cow ratio and bring the season down by 5 days. They have reduced the harvest down to 300 bulls in 2018. Population is where we want it. Population is now 13,000. So in lieu of antler restriction, F&G wants to shorten the season. Vote to Support 11 unanimous. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 19</b>
140	Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20B		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Allen motions to support, Alex seconds. Tony said the population is steady there. There are three Any moose: Minto flats, Fairbanks management area, and any moose draw along Richardson hwy within half mile of the road. These are the only cow hunts in the area, and F&G would like it reauthorized. Vote Support 11, Unanimous. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>
144	Shorten the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20A and 20B		
<b>Opposed</b>	0	11	Paul made a motion to support, Allen seconds. Matt asked if this is the targeted hunts. Tony said there are few like this. Jake asked if there was much traffic stressing out moose, and Tony said no. Jake said it is kind of a moot point. Vote Support 0, Opposed Unanimous. <b>Voted on 17 Dec 2019</b>



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146	Allocate up to ten percent of the caribou drawing permits for DC827 in Unit 20A, to nonresidents		
<b>Oppose</b>	4	7	Jeremy made a motion to discuss, Leroy seconds. Jeremy said he opposes this and people have the right to hunt. Matt said he doesn't think 18% of the tags to non-resident is a big deal, and doesn't impact. Allen thinks this proposal is trying to thwart future incursion of non-residents. Coke said non-resident hunters pay a lot of the F&G budget, whereas residents only pay for musk-ox and brown bear. If we don't have non-resident hunters, the money needs to come from somewhere, and it will come from us. <b>Vote to support, 4 oppose 7. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
147	Extend the hunting season for brown bear in Units 20A and 20B Remainder		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Allen made a motion to support, Alex seconds. Allen said F&G doesn't have good numbers on bears, but they do want more bears taken. Allen said he saw nothing but grizzly bears in 20A. He supports the extended season. <b>Vote to support; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
148	Extend the hunting season for brown bear in Unit 20B Remainder		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Allen made a motion to support, Alex seconds. Allen said F&G doesn't have good numbers on bears, but they do want more bears taken. Allen said he saw nothing but grizzly bears in 20A. He supports the extended season. <b>Vote to support; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
149	Allow brown bears to be taken over bait in Unit 25C		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	Leroy made a motion to support, Jeremy seconds. Leroy think it is a good idea using scents and lures. Leroy used to put out sent and lure. John mentioned this was brought up before, and the issue was being close to a river where floaters by might end up in an area being baited. <b>Vote to support; Unanimous. Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
151	Change the season dates for hunting wolves in a portion of Unit 20C		



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<b>Support</b>	11	0	Coke made a motion to support, Jeremy seconds. Coke said it allows more opportunity to hunt, and aligns the dates like it used to be. Vote to support; Unanimous. <b>Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
152	Establish closed areas for the taking of wolves near Denali National Park in Unit 20C		
<b>Oppose</b>	0	11	Allen makes a proposal to discuss, Jeremy seconds. Allen said park puts this up every year, and we oppose every year. Vote to Oppose; Unanimous. <b>Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>
166	Reauthorize the brown bear tag fee exemptions for the Central/Southwest Region		
<b>Support</b>	11	0	John made a motion to support, Allen seconds. John says this provides opportunity and is a good idea. Matt says the state brought this up and they want more opportunities. Paul made a comment that people have been opposed to this because you should pay for a bear tag. He said you could skip the tag, and pay a sealing fee if people are concerned about not paying for a bear tag. Vote to support; Unanimous. <b>Voted on 19 Nov 2019</b>

Adjournment: 9:10

Minutes Recorded By: Erik Haugen \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Middle Nenana AC**

**14 Jan 2020**

**McKinley Village Community Center**

- I. Call to Order: 6:18 by Alan Mortenson
  
- II. Roll Call  
Members Present:  
Alan Mortenson, Clear C  
Matt Nustvold, Healy A  
Coke Wallace, Healy C -via telephone  
Jacob Mattila, Healy D  
Alex Buetow, McKinley  
Paul Nyberg, Alternate  
  
Members Absent (excused):  
Paul Van Dyke, Clear A  
John Basile, Healy B  
Erik Haugen, Healy E  
Jeremy Wolf, Undesignated  
  
Unexcused:  
Jeff Stenger, Clear B  
Leroy Sutton, Alternate  
Wayne Valcq, Ferry
  
- III. Fish & Game Staff Present: None
  
- IV. Trooper present: Trooper Trent, Alaska Wildlife Trooper Cantwell post
  
- V. Approval of Previous Minutes  
Jake, motion to approve, second by Alan, unanimous to approve
  
- VI. Approval of Agenda  
Alan motion to approve, second by Alex, unanimous to approve
  
- VII. Reports-none
  
- VIII. Old Business
  - a. Establish rules for filling vacant seats during meetings using alternate members
    - i. Several options were discussed- to have local seat holders fill in for absent members of the same area or to have a rotating roster to fill in for absent members.
    - ii. Vote on rotating roster option: 6 approve, 0 oppose



IX. Public Comment

- a. Nan Eagleson spoke in favor of the AC’s vote on both proposal 129 and 133. Nan expressed the area’s importance to many of the local residents.
- b. This led to further discussion of the previous meetings. Alan gave a brief summary to the members of the public in attendance. Trooper Trent followed up on whether horse feed is considered hunting gear regarding proposal 129. He advised not hauling horse feed into the Yanert Controlled Use Area based upon Alaska Wildlife Trooper’s recommendation. A member of the public suggested maybe adding a snowmachine exemption to allow for winter travel into the CUA to allow for such items to be transported with minimal impact to the landscape and without the unnecessary expense of an airplane.
- c. Further public comment led to discussion on proposal 152, which the AC had also voted on in a previous meeting. It was expressed by several members of the public that the Stampede Corridor buffer zone should be considered and the non-consumptive users appreciate the restriction for taking wolves within the corridor.
- d. Further public comment led to the importance of the Denali National Park to the local community and its impact on wildlife.

X. New Business

- a. Proposals:

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74			
<b>Support</b>	6	0	Alan spoke in favor of having more opportunity for musk ox. He thinks the opportunity to hunt musk ox should be supported because the chances to hunt are few and far between. The AC was in agreeance.
77			
<b>Support</b>	6	0	Discussion was similar to proposal 74.
90			
<b>Oppose</b>	1	5	Alan spoke with the biologist to confirm the Authors reasoning and that “the 2DK are drawing almost 50% of the nonresident sheep tags.”, as stated in the proposal. The response from the department was that 2DK draw awards are actually a minimal percentage of TMA tags. Our AC agrees that draw hunts should be equal opportunity and should not favor non-residents with the “up to 25%” as requested in the proposal.
55			
<b>Support</b>	6	0	The opportunity to hound hunt in Alaska is supported by the AC. Discussion over season dates and bag limits brought up that the Oct.15 start date the



			author requested would not line up with the current trapping season and its bag limit.

b. March Meeting Discussion

- i. Alan offered to attend. Discussion regarding the hot topics in our area. Email correspondence to follow amongst the AC.

XI. Meeting adjourned at 9:00



**Middle Yukon Advisory Committee  
January 14, 2020  
ADF&G Office, Galena**

- I. Call to Order: 11:20 by Chairman Benedict Jones
- II. Roll Call  
Members Present: Galena; Paddy Nollner, Fred Huntington, Dick Evans, Patrick Lumba  
Koyukuk; Benedict Jones, Percy Lolnitz  
Nulato; Arnold Demoski, Joe Turner, Michael (Micky) Stickman  
Koyukuk, Tommy Negalska, Richard Burnham  
  
Members Absent (Excused): Mark Richards (GAL), Tommy Krista (KYU), Van Madros (NUL), Patrick Madros Jr & Georgiana Madros (KAL)  
Members Absent (Unexcused):  
Number Needed for Quorum on AC:  
List of User Groups Present:
- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: Sara Longson & Glenn Stout (DWC), Nissa Pilcher\* (BDS)
- IV. Guests Present: Jeremy Havener (FWS), Ed Sarten\* & Tim Gervais\* & Don Honea\* (Ruby AC)
- V. Approval of Agenda; approved
- VI. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes; 4/29/2019
- VII. Reports

**AC Concern**

Cold weather and deep snow; calf die-off happening around Galena. Two recent kills near town and there is probably a lot more away from town. The weather is changing, we have not had weather like this- with the long cold spells and deep snow in a long time.

Rain in February, with those snow conditions it makes it easier for the wolves to get moose.

Weather changes mean that a lot of caribou have been dying off

Last year was the worst year for moose then Richard had ever seen in 46 years, mostly Nulato Hills. Would see nose and ears sticking out. All the calves died. We're seeing moose sleeping



on the river ice, and then we had a spring moose season this year which disappointed me, saw starving moose, what kind of moose will you be killing.

The water was so warm this summer that viable dog salmon were dying before they made it to the spawning ground. Members noted they saw large amounts of whitefish die offs as well during the hot water. Arnold commented on information he received at the Yukon River Intertribal Fish commission about genetic changes in the fish that could help them adapt to the hot water, and also discussed studies on how orcas are targeting the larger kings in the ocean.

We are not going to be able to change the weather, what we can do is adjust our harvest patterns and amounts that we are taking to help the animals and fish make it through this.

2024 will be the return of this years spawning fish. The die-off will impact those returns and we need to be aware of this, and it may mean that we will need to make adjustments to how much we harvest.

This is only the beginning of the climate change, we need to be prepared and conserve, and we need to share this information with our communities.

Discussion on how to take a moose for salvage, if you see a terminally wounded moose/animal, then call ADF&G and a permit can be issued.

Discussion on shifting the moose season later;

Department noted that calving dates are staying the same, which means that breeding times are staying the same. This means that the moose are moving during these times, they are just moving at different times of the day. During the actual rut it is better to leave the bulls alone.

Richard noted that it was common a year or two ago for bulls to not come when they were being called, and the behavior of the bulls was just off. It seemed like they were 'back to normal' lately.

There are moose clear down to Colorado, and that means that they are adaptable to warmer temperatures. There is also a shift in age structure, then that would shift what you would be able to call in since it is the larger moose that typically can be called in that way.

Seems like the moose movement have changed, Benedict noted, their movement have changed since 1939 when moose first came to this part.

Discussion of potential season date changes and harvest patterns of locals and non locals.

VIII. Public Comment; NONE



IX. Old Business; NONE

X. New Business

### **Officer Elections**

Chair; nominations Richard Burnham (declined), Percy Lolnitz, Unanimous consent  
Vice Chair; Arnold Demoski, unanimous consent  
Secretary; Joe Turner (Decline), Tommy Negalska, unanimous consent

### **Galena/ Koyukuk Election Discussion**

Since the meeting was moved from Koyukuk to Galena, and the Galena seats are yet to expire so elections will not be held during this meeting the AC. The committee would like to meet during 2020-2021 to Koyukuk where elections are to be held, and then 2021-2022 the meeting can be held in Galena.

### **Western Arctic Caribou Herd Working Group (WACH) Update**

Micky Stickman noted that he was the alternate and went to the December 2019 meeting when Benedict Jones said that he did not want to serve. Micky gave an update on what happened during this meeting. He noted that no update was given on the Galena Mountain Herd, and that how the northern representatives had concerns about how the current roads have changed

Micky has been nominated to serve as the representative for the Middle Yukon area, unanimous approval from AC.

Arnold Demoski and Fred Huntington were both nominated to serve as the alternates for Micky on the WACH, unanimous approval from AC (after asking if there could be two alternates).

Richard commented on the presence of caribou in the area- how their presence has fluctuated a lot in the last 70 years; seems like it is a function of population- when their numbers are high then they seem like they get here where we can use them. In 1976, the caribou crossed Whiskey Creek (between Galena and Ruby) for three full days.

Benedict's 15 year service on the WACH was noted, and the committee thanked him for his service.

Benedict noted that the loss of our language has had a huge impact. We used to be able to put whitefish on the ice to freeze and could leave them there and the wolves and ravens and eagles would leave it along

### **Kokrine Hill Prescribed Burn**

Glenn Stout gave an update on the Galena Mountain Herd population, biology and habitat changes (re Proposal 76 at Interior BOG Meeting to tie in).



Richard noted that a couple years ago FWS wanted to do a prescribed burn right over my entire trap line. This area sounds like it is more remote, but this is a concern.

Concern raised about losing control of the burn, and Glenn noted it would be written into the fire plan. It is protected by the Yukon and the Melozy (Melozitna) River.

The committee ensured that the Ruby AC supported the burn, although that Don Honea did note that the Ruby AC supported the predator control but took no action the prescribed burn.

Glenn noted there were three phases to this, the burn plan, the burn, and then the predator control.

Members noted that the people around here like eating fall bears, department outlined Sleetmute predator control done where the meat was taken and shared.

- XI. Select representative(s) for board meeting  
Discussion on who to attend; Arnold will already be there for the UAF Class. AC nominated Tom Krista, with alternate being Arnold since he will already be there.

- XII. Other

Adjourn



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57	Allow residents to take game from a boat under power in Unit 21		
Support	11	0	This is our proposal, we still support
58	Establish a Controlled Use Area for the Kaiyuh Flats area in Unit 21D		
Support	11	0	This is our proposal, we still support it
59	Change the winter any-moose season for residents in Unit 21D		
Support	0	11	<p>A December hunt would be fine because the moose are still fat, but you start getting to march and it is not good to take a moose that has a calf in its womb</p> <p>December isn't good because it is so cold and there isn't a lot of daylight. An old hunter knows how to single out the barren cows. The bulls are still recovering from the rut at that time as well</p> <p>It was noted that this AC has traditionally always been against taking cows</p> <p style="text-align: center;">This will benefit those that really need the moose</p> <p>Clarification on the harvestable surplus available in this moose population, and the harvest numbers for the last season.</p>
60	Reauthorize a winter any-moose season during March in a portion of Unit 21D		
Support	11	0	See comments for proposal 59
67	Increase the bag limit for brown bear in Unit 21D		
Support	10	0	Discussion on requirements for how and what is eligible to be sold if the bag limit is increased.
68	Open a fall bear baiting season in Unit 21C		
Support	10	0	<p>Ruby AC Member Tim Gervais noted that these proposals were voted on in November 2019 as well as January 2020. Concern that the current commercial activity on the Melozy River is not being done ethically (green meat coming out of the field) and they did not want to see an potential increase in opportunity for the guide operating in this area.</p> <p>Member noted that we may not always agree with commercial hunting, but there can be benefits to it.</p> <p>Question about if it was to align seasons, and the amount of opportunity it would provide.</p>



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			It is hard to hunt brown bears, it is up to pure luck. We don't have a lot of black bears anymore, and those are what we eat. The brown bears eat the black bears, sometimes even out of their dens when they are hibernating. We should be promoting this
69	Allow brown bears to be taken over bait in Unit 21C		
Support	10	0	<p>Ruby AC Member Tim Gervais noted that these proposals were voted on in November 2019 as well as January 2020. Concern that the current commercial activity on the Melozy River is not being done ethically (green meat coming out of the field) and they did not want to see an potential increase in opportunity for the guide operating in this area.</p> <p>Concern over why the Fairbanks AC would be writing proposals in our area. We are concerned with our area and our people, and it is concerning that we have other ACs attempting to implement changes in our area that affect our people without considering those that actually live here.</p>
73	Eliminate the RB601 brown bear registration permit hunt for Units 21D and 24		
Support	10	0	The difference between the requirements between RB601 and a bear harvested under the general season.
74	Establish a registration permit hunt for muskox in Units 21D, 22A, and 24D		
Support	10	0	Our proposal
75	Develop a feasibility assessment for intensive management of wolves and bears in Units 21D and 24		
TNA			
76	Establish a non-intensive management predator control plan in Unit 21 for bears and wolves		
Support			*this was voted on during the earlier discussion on the Kokrine Hill Prescribed Burn when all members were present*
108	Require trophy destruction of moose antlers taken from Unit 21E under RM836 permits, and establish check stations		
TNA			Discussion as the author had asked the AC to discuss this proposal. Member noted that check stations are expensive and can't see the department funding more then there already are.



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			Members noted that they are partaking in the Hunting and Fishing Task Force and that they would really like to start working with the other advisory committees to help the resource.
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## Federal Proposals

Bob Rebarchik gave a brief update on the federal winter moose hunt conducted in the area. The federal winter hunt in 24B and 21 B will most likely not happen at this time.

WP20-37

WIRAC Hunt;

The federal proposal will be pulled by request of the WIRAC. AC too no action.

WP30-36

Heard update from Federal Staff. AC did not take formal action on this proposal.

ADF&G Staff noted to please report your hunt and stress in your communities to report your hunt. It only hurts the communities if you don't.

Jeremy Havener (speaking as a member of the public) reminded folks to get their furbears sealed and that he was a sealer in the community.

Percy took a moment to recognize both Benedict Jones and Richard Burnham for their long-standing service as chair and vice chair of the Middle Yukon AC and received a round of applause from the committee and attendees of the meeting.

Adjournment: 3:30 pm



**Minto Nenana Advisory Committee  
February 18, 2020  
Council Office, Minto**

- I. Call to Order: 1120 by cochair Tim McManus
  
- II. Roll Call  
Members Present:  
Tim McManus, Victor Lord, Mike Carson (ENN)  
Knowland Silas (undesignated)  
Charlie Titus Jr, Eric Bachmann (Minto)  
\* elections for Minto to be held during meeting, two others elected at this time  
  
Members Absent (Excused): Steve Ketzler, Conrad McManus (Nenana), Philip Titus (Minto); Two members from Minto have left the community and their seats will be filled  
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 6
  
- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: Mark Nelson (DWC), Nissa Pilcher (BDS)  
  
Guests Present: Ben Stevens (TCC Hunt Fish Task Force), Ashley Alexander\*, Vinny (concerned with food security), Lindberg (minto council), Carl Frank\*, Jay, Keith Charlie (Minto Council),  
\* elected to the AC
  
- IV. Approval of Agenda: Minto would like to hold elections at this meeting instead of later, also include a 20C moose concern update and elect member to attend the Interior Board of Game Meeting Add Elect member to attend BOG & Minto Elections
  
- V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes; approved
  
- VI. Old Business; old business is the new business, potlatch/ceremonial harvest moose concerns
  
- VII. New Business  
Minto Elections:  
Carl Frank & Ashley Anderson were elected to replace Candace Titus and Peter John as they both have moved to Fairbanks and don't wish to continue on the AC.  
  
Members comments on serving on AC



Charlie said important to have young people with families on the committee, need to protect the flats. Food security and habitat protection. We are protecting the land out there, that is our purpose.

Victor we get so busy with paperwork/grants/policies/other stuff. We still eat the food, and want our younger ones to go out and be able to get foods and have the knowledge.

Carl noted that he just wants to be able to protect what is out there for his kids. Have seen a lot of changes out there recently, just want to preserve our way of life.

Tim got on to fight for my grandkids right to hunt and that was before I had grandkids, now I have four.

Knowland noted has also seen a lot of changes. Used to see a lot of moose by the village; right now just two. Global changes have really affected us.

Ben discussed TCC and UAFs training series to effectively engaging, training with UAF, basics of BOG/FSB AC basis for resource management

Concerns from the AC/public-

Charlie asked if the members and public had read the antlerless moose proposals that are before. We need to thank Anna Frank for bringing this issue up, it wouldn't have been in there otherwise. We need to be aware of what is going on out there. Never thought of writing something up, glad council members are here. Hope more tribal members speak up at this BOG, this concerns us.

Victor has concerns about past management; it is too bad that we have to operate outside of the law in order to do what our people have always done and need to do.

### **Game Update**

Mark Nelson presented Minto Management Area presentation

Members asked department questions on;

sustainability of habitat, moose wolf interactions, wolf numbers, survey practices, moose population drop & wolf population around 2010\*(Knowland has incidental wolf information for Mark), antidotal historic population information & fat layers, burns and moose movement, RM785 and local harvest questioned, and questions about the current hunt management

Members noted that after the rut we don't mess with the bulls they smell and they have no fat. We were restricted from cows from January to June of 2018 and that is when we won't take bulls. We didn't even find out until we asked for a ceremonial harvest and were told we could no longer take cows. This concerns us.

### **Additional concerns to be addressed at the next meeting**

The committee would like some answers about the 40mile caribou herd, more wolf pack information, and muskrat and pike information. Muskrat numbers have been down and we are interested to see if pike are responsible.



A member noted that someone from Huslia caught a pike that was tagged in Minto, pike movement questioned. Concerned with invasive species, so many boats coming in from different areas

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VIII. Select representative for board meeting; Charlie Titus Jr will be attending

IX. Set next meeting date; next cycle, will discuss later

X. Other

Adjourn at 3:30 pm

Alaska Board of Game Interior and Eastern Arctic Region Meeting Proposals March 6-14, 2020   Fairbanks, AK			
Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
44	Establish customary and traditional use findings for migratory birds and waterfowl in Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24, and 25, and modify regulations to provide reasonable opportunities		
S	8	0	Questions asked about how these numbers are established and how they are used.
45	Prohibit the use of moose, caribou and reindeer urine as scent lures in the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region		
S	8	0	If chronic wasting disease could possibly be spread this way, we support this prohibition
50	Establish registration archery only hunts for bull moose in the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region Units that have general moose seasons		
O	0	8	This sounds like sport hunters wanting more opportunity to hunt and less about feeding families
54	Reauthorize resident grizzly/brown bear tag fee exemptions throughout Interior and Northeast Alaska		
S	8	0	We support this exemption every year
55	Allow the use of dogs for hunting for lynx in Units 12 and 20		
O	0	8	Not something we do, could probably take lot of lynx this way since they tree easily
56	Establish minimum distance requirements for trapping around dwellings in the Interior and Eastern Arctic Region		



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O	0	8	This doesn't make sense for rural users
121	Establish hunt areas for moose drawing permit DM770 in Unit 20A		
S	8	0	The trails that access this area are being used very heavily, this could be good to help spread out this hunt/effort a bit.
122	Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20A		
NA			Nenana uses the registration winter hunt as an additional opportunity. When the fall hunt occurs, then there are too many people out in the country and the winter hunt allows us to hunt when it is better and not crowded. But, we would like to be consistent and we have concerns with antlerless hunting in 20B so we will take no action on this.
130	Disallow the issuance of methods and means disability exemption permits for the Yanert Controlled Use Area in Unit 20A		
O	0	8	This doesn't seem like something that is fair. There are some nonmotorized places up by us and we wouldn't like it if someone came in with this exemption.
131	Limit the use of off-road vehicles for moose hunting in Unit 20A		
O	0	8	Don't think that this is a sensible fix, although we do see the proposers concern
134	Open a resident youth hunt for moose in Unit 20C		
S	8	0	We are all for this
135	Shorten the moose season five days in a portion of Unit 20B		
S	8	0	This make sense; we do want the department to know we are supporting them on ONE proposal
136	Extend the nonresident hunting season for moose in Unit 20B Remainder as		
O	0	8	If they have the money to pay that much for a moose, they can hunt in that window of time
138	Create a fall archery and muzzleloader hunt for moose in Unit 20B Remainder		
O	0	8	No additional take of moose with a different type of weapon
140	Reauthorize the antlerless moose seasons in Unit 20B		
O	0	8	We are not happy with the current antlerless hunt that occurs



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			<p>within the Minto Flats. It has impacted our ability to take mortuary moose in 2018. Since we cannot predict how many of these moose will be needed yearly, nor would we want to, we do not support the take of antlerless moose out of the flats.</p> <p>We do also have some population and changing habitat concerns for these moose as well.</p>
141	Eliminate registration moose permit hunt RM785, in the Minto Flats Management Area in Unit 20B		
S	8	0	Refer to comments for proposal 142
142	Eliminate registration moose permit hunt RM785, in the Minto Flats Management Area in Unit 20B		
S	8	0	<p>Refer to comments for proposal 141.</p> <p>In 2018, after the RM785 had happened, and nearly 20 moose had been taken out of the flats by this permit, we were restricted to taking bulls only for mortuary moose from January to June. This is exactly when we do not want to be taking bulls as they smell of rut and have no fat. Since we cannot predict how many moose might be needed for these ceremonies, we are concerned when we are restricted.</p>
143	Eliminate all antlerless moose drawing hunts in Unit 20B except for the Minto Flats Management Area		
S			Because we supported 141 and 142 we support this one as well
147	Extend the hunting season for brown bear in Units 20A and 20B Remainder		
NA			While we would like to take more brown bears to help out moose, are people eating the bear and is the fur any good? We don't bait bears.
148	Extend the hunting season for brown bear in Unit 20B Remainder		
NA			While we would like to take more brown bears to help out moose, are people eating the bear and is the fur any good? We don't bait bears.
149	Allow brown bears to be taken over bait in Unit 25C		



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Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal, Voting Notes
O			Little comment, AC often opposes bear baiting proposals
150	Establish an intensive management plan for wolves and bear in the Minto Flats Management Area in Unit 20B		
O			We concur with the departments reasoning <i>at this time</i> , although if things change, we reserve the right to change our mind and support this idea
153	Extend the trapping season for wolverine in Unit 20F		
S			This seems like a good idea

Bridge to 20C, concern with bridge going in, Tim elected to write ACR to submit to the board about changing season dates/antler configuration before the deadline in the fall.

Adjournment: 3:25pm

Minutes Approved By: Tim McManus  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_



**Meeting Minutes**  
**Naknek/Kvichak Fish and Game Advisory Committee**  
Monday, February 10, 2020 at 6:30pm  
At the Naknek Village Council Office, Dolly's Hall  
**Teleconference 1-800-504-8071, access code 8425142**

I. Call to order 6:34 PM

II. Roll call-

Present: Everett Thompson, William Regan Jr, Joe Klutsch, Joey Klutsch, John Wise, Ralph Zimin, Graham Morrison, Patricia Edel.

Absent: George Wilson Jr, Marc Watson, Gustie Tallekpallek

III. Approval of agenda- Everett Thompson moved to approve, Joe Klutsch 2nd. Motion carries Unanimously

IV. Approval of minutes from the February 4, 2019 meeting- Everett Thompson moved to table minutes until fall meeting. John Wise 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion carries unanimously

V. Introduction: Staff - Taryn O'Coconor-Brito, Boards Support; Lee Borden, Sport Fish; Dave Crowley, Wildlife; Troopers David Bump and Travis Lyons. Guests- Lydia Olympic

VI. Elections for AC members- Brief discussion of committee members reiterating they still want to be on board, no new nominations, all incumbents reinstated, no objection.

VII. Elections for officers - Committee asked if they would like to see change in officers, no change wanted.

VIII. ADF&G staff updates:

Lee Borden talked about the sports fish, the hot summer, some mortality of fish and recent surveys on Naknek River done. Use is up considerably since last survey was done in 1999. Committee brought up low numbers of kings and pressure on other species. Jason Dye is new Regional Coordinator.

Dave Crowley talked about better North Pen. Caribou Herd numbers up to 4000, calf survival rate better south than Mulchatna herd up north, calf survival rate. Mulchatna herd closed hunt after Jan. 31. Moose numbers talked about.

IX. Comments

- Public, None
- AC members,

Predation, moose, caribou and fish numbers

X. New Business



I. Board of Fisheries Proposal 279: Requirements and Specifications for use of 200 fathoms of drift gillnet in Bristol Bay- Everett Moved to adopt, John second. Everett moved to amend prop 279 to support if it pertains only to the Nushagak using 200 fathoms of gear while Naknek Special Harvest Area was in Effect. Graham 2nd. Amendment passed unanimously. Proposal supported as amended 6-1

II. Board of Fisheries Proposal 281: Live Earthworms- Joe moved to adopt, Ralph 2nd. All in favor. Motion carries unanimously

III. Board of Game Proposal 166: Brown Bear Tag Fee Exemption Reauthorization- Everett moved to adopt, Joey second. Discussion was made that \$25 for a tag fee isn't substantial and that residents won't consider it a burden if fee isn't reinstated. Fee exemption prop was opposed unanimously.

IV. Board of Game call for proposals for the 2020/2021 Central/Southwest and Statewide

Game Meetings, props due May 1, committee doesn't foresee putting any in.

XI. Miscellaneous Business:

I. Discussion of approval of these minutes for submission to the Board of Fisheries and Board of Game (on time comments due February 21st), committee designated Everett to finish minutes, and William to approve minutes.

II. Discussion of date and location for next meeting - Early November

XII. Adjourn 8:03

Minutes recorded by Everett Thompson

Minutes approved by William Regan

Date: Thursday, February 20, 2020



Alaska Department of Fish & Game  
**Northern Norton Sound Advisory Committee**  
**Meeting and Elections**

DRAFT Agenda

**November 12, 2019 – 2:30 p.m.**

Nagozruk Conference Room – Northwest Campus – Nome, Alaska

Charlie Lean-Chair, Nate Perkins-Vice Chair, Kevin Knowlton-Secretary,  
Adem Boeckman-Nome, (vacant)-Nome, Edward Stang-Nome  
Brandon Ahmasuk-Undesignated, Tom Gray-Undesignated  
Davis Lincoln-White Mountain, Lloyd Kiyutelluk-Shishmaref,  
Tanya Oblowaluk-Teller, Clifford Seetook-Wales; Henry Olanna Jr.-Brevig Mission  
Charles Saccheus-Elim; Jack Fagerstrom-Golovin

1. Call to Order By Committee Chair Charlie Lean at 1432hrs on November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019
2. Roll Call – 8 to make quorum
  - a. Present: Charlie Lean, Kevin Knowlton, Adem Boeckman, Edward Stang, Brandon Ahmasuk, Davis Lincoln, Lloyd Kiyutelluk, Clifford Seetook, Henry Olanna Jr., Charles Saccheus, and Jack Fagerstrom (quorum requirements met)
  - b. Excused: Tom Gray (Beluga Mtg in Anc.)
  - c. Unexcused: Tanya Oblowaluk, Nate Perkins
3. Approval of Agenda; Motion Made by Adem Boeckman, Second by Kevin Knowlton to approve the agenda with a change to the address proposals 32-38 first. Motion Carried Unanimous
4. Elections to seat AC members whose terms expired or soon to expire:
  - a. Five Nome designated seats
    - i. Nome seat incumbent Charlie Lean interested in reelection
    - ii. Nome seat Incumbent Nate Perkins no longer living in the region
    - iii. Nome seat Incumbent Lucas Frost no longer living in the region
    - iv. Nome seat Incumbent Edward Stang interested in reelection
    - v. Nome Seat Incumbent Adem Boeckman not interested in reelection
  - b. One Undesignated seat
    - i. Undesignated seat incumbent Tom Gray interested in reelection
  - c. Nominations from the floor for the Nome seats:
    - i. Charlie Lean, Nome seat
    - ii. Jacob Mannix, Nome seat
    - iii. Andrew McCann, Nome seat
    - iv. Patrick Knodel, Nome Seat
    - v. Edward Stang, Nome Seat
    - vi. Tom Gray, undesignated seat
  - d. Motion Made by Kevin Knowlton, Second by Jack Fagerstrom to accept the nominees to fill the seats up for election. Motion carries Unanimous
  - e. Allowed two Alternates – Committee can decide: No action taken
  - f. Wales, Golovin, White Mountain community elections: With no information from the Village councils to change representatives though their seat term has expired the committee, on Hazel Smiths recommendation, seated incumbent representatives until advised different from the different village councils.
5. Election of Officers: Officer Nominations from committee members:
  - a. Chair – Charlie Lean
  - b. Vice Chair – Brandon Ahmasuk
  - c. Secretary – Kevin Knowlton
  - d. Motion Made by Edward Stang, Second by Davis Lincoln to accept nominees to fill the officer seats. Motion Carried Unanimous



6. Teleconference Attendees present: None
7. Fish & Game Staff present
  - a. Bill Dunker, Sara Germain, Tony Gorn, Warren Hansen, and Brynn Parr.
  - b. Maggie Stang AST Wildlife Trooper
8. Federal officials present: None
9. Guests present: None
10. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – **02/13/2019**
  - a. Motion made by Kevin Knowlton, Second by Davis Lincoln to accept the minutes of the February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019 meeting as presented. Motion Carries Unanimous
11. Wildlife Management Report – Bill Dunker, Area Biologist
  - a. Muskoxen survey for the Seward Peninsula and moose survey in 22B and 22C did not occur as originally planned due to weather. ADF&G will use data collected during other field activities. It appears that there is a 40 Bull to 100 Cow ratio of Muskox with a 15% recruitment. Moose are showing a 19 % recruitment in unit 22C, and 13% recruitment in unit 22B.
  - b. The Northwest arctic Caribou survey is complete department staff is now counting the number of caribou in the photos and will have the report published in December.
  - c. Moose survey for unit 22D remainder will be conducted in early February 2020.
  - d. Unit 22 Bear survey will be conducted in May 2020
  - e. Muskox Survey has been rescheduled for spring 2021.
  - f. Brandon asked about the geographical extent of the area that will be involved in the muskoxen survey. Bill Dunker said that it will encompass the Seward Peninsula and depending on weather the F&G Board determines if the muskox in the Nulato hills area are part of the Seward Peninsula population or a separate population, if so then the survey area will include the Nulato hills.
  - g. Jack Fagerstrom asked if Fish and Game were planning of doing a flora study on the Seward Peninsula to determine overall health of the tundra? Bill advised that other than the browse studies for moose, there was no plan for a full flora study at this time.
  - h. Charlie stated that in the past you could see signs of stress in the moose population by the condition of their teeth. If they were having to eat large willow branches their teeth would become all cracked and worn. The moose are not showing these signs now.
12. Other Wildlife management/research topics
  - a. Warren Hansen stated the moose study that he is involved in is looking at the overall nutrition and health of the moose on the Seward Peninsula. They have captured 280 moose so far and collared 108 of them. It is too early to establish any conclusions but one trend that they are seeing is the calves that are captured in the fall are some of the heaviest calves in the state and when recaptured in the spring they are some of the lightest in the state so our winters have been hard on them. They have also seen a 10% mortality rate of calves due to primarily bear predation.
  - b. Charlies Saccheus explained what the winter conditions are in the Elim area and how the moose use the cover of the trees to make it through the winter.
  - c. Brandon inquired about if the Biologists had seen any effect of pestering on the moose population. Warren stated that they had not included that into their survey data but found it interesting.
  - d. Brynn Parr reported on how the department is still developing their protocols for the muskoxen study due to this actually being the first one done but they did see an alarming 2% survival of neonate muskox in 2019. But without more data they are not sure if that is a trend of a fluke but it is a red flag to continue to monitor. Recent collaring concentrates on long yearlings.
13. 1543hrs committee went into recess, resumed at 1549hrs



14. Boards Support Report

- a. Hazel Smith reported to the committee that the Board of Game would be meeting in Nome in January 2020, and encouraged everyone to attend if they could. She expressed the need for obtaining a real ID for travel and other activities. Hazel advised committee members that she could no longer get cash for member's premium that it would now have to be a check out of Juneau so the earlier members could lock in their travel the sooner they would receive their per diem.

15. Chairman's Report

- a. Charlie Lean expressed the importance of the Board of Game meeting, and explained the rolls of the board, the AC Committees, and the Department and how they worked together.
- b. Bill Dunker talked about the proposal books and the roll of the public, the AC's and the Department were involved with proposals.

16. New business – Board of Game – **Comment deadline, January 3, 2020**

Alaska Board of Game Western Arctic/Western Region Meeting Proposals January 17-20, 2020   Nome, AK			
Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	
<i>Note: Effective September 2019, when abstentions occur, the action or decision of a majority of the remaining members at a meeting at which a quorum is present is an act of the committee. For example, a vote tally of 7-6-2 means the motion carries. Members abstaining from voting must provide an explanation that is included in the committee record.</i>			
1	Prohibit nonresident hunting of moose or caribou under intensive management in the Western Arctic/Western Region until harvest or population objectives are met		
Support	13	0	
2	Establish intensive management programs for bear across the Western Arctic/Western Region		
No Action			
3	Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A		
Support	13	0	
30	Include muskox on the list of species that can be taken under a proxy permit in Unit 22		
Support	13	0	
31	Establish a registration permit hunt for muskox in Units 21D, 22A, and 24D. Amend to Close hunting on March 15 and to manage these contiguous GMU subunits consistently with each other since the Nulato Hills are part of the expanding Seward Pen. Herd.		
Support as Amended	13	0	
32	Allow caribou to be taken east of and including the Nuluk River drainage in Unit 22E		
Support	12	1	
33	Modify hunting seasons and require a registration permit for moose hunting in Unit 22D Remainder		
Support	11	2	



34	Open a nonresident drawing hunt for moose in Unit 22D Remainder		
Oppose	0	13	
35	Change the availability of Unit 22 registration permits for moose hunting with an option to require a registration permit for the Unit 22D Remainder hunt (option 2 in proposal book)		
Support	13	0	
36	Change the availability of Unit 22 registration permits for moose hunting		
No Action			
37	Close the nonresident moose hunt in Unit 22C		
Support	13	0	
38	Modify the hunting season for moose in Unit 22A		
No Action			
39	Amend proposal to: two bears per year in 22D and 22E. Seasons to remain August 1 -May 31.		
Support as Amended	13	0	
40	Require a registration permit for brown bear hunting in Unit 22C		
Opposed	2	10	
41	Extend the season dates for brown bear hunting in Unit 22B and 22C		
Opposed	0	13	
42	Unlawful methods of taking game (positioning snow-machines, game, etc.) and not Extend the season dates for brown bear hunting in Unit 22B and 22C.		
Opposed	0	13	
43	Address customary and traditional use findings for Alaska hares in Unit 22, and modify the season and bag limit		
Opposed	4	9	
167-168	The Board of Game does not have authority to adopt the requested changes in Proposals 167-168 regulating guide activities and issuing permits to agencies for collaring animals. They are included in the book for review and discussion by the board. Advisory committees may choose to provide comments on these proposals for the board's consideration.		
No Action			

17. New business – Board of Fish – **Comment deadline, February 21, 2020**

Review BOF Proposals in preparation for a Spring meeting.

18. Guests/Public comments: None

19. Advisory Committee member comments

20. Board of Game and Board of Fish Meeting Schedules and Comment Deadlines

- November 1, 2019 Board of Game – Agenda Change Request deadline
- November 15, 2019 Boards Support – travel requests to board meetings
- January 3, 2020 Board of Game – Arctic/Western Region comment deadline
- January 16, 2020 Board of Game Work Session – Nome, AK
- January 17-20, 2020 Board of Game – Arctic/Western Region meeting
- Jan 21 to Feb20 NNSAC Shellfish meeting at call of Chair
- February 21, 2020 Board of Game – Interior/Eastern Arctic Region comment deadline
- February 21, 2020 Board of Fish – Statewide Tanner/King crab comment deadline



- March 6-14, 2020 Board of Game Interior/Eastern Arctic Region  
Fairbanks, AK
- March 7-11, 2020 Board of Fish – Statewide Tanner/King Crab  
Anchorage, AK

21. Select representatives to attend Board of Game and Board of Fish meetings as appropriate.

- a. Primary Charlie Lean
- b. Alternate Brandon Ahmasuk

22. Set next meeting date

23. Adjourn: Motion Made by Kevin Second by Pat to adjourn at 2001hrs motion carried unanimous

*Kevin R. Ahmasuk* SECRETARY  
*Charlie Lean* chair