

Meeting Minutes

**Grayling/Anvik/Shageluk/Holy Cross (GASH)
Fish & Game Advisory Committee Meeting
Friday, February 23rd, 2024 at 9:00 am
Native Movement Building
60 Hall Street, Fairbanks AK 99701
and by web/teleconference**

**SEE CORRECTIONS TO
ACTIONS ON PROPOSALS
68-72 IN RED**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Ken Chase at 9:20 am.

Roll call: Ken Chase, Shirley Deacon Clark, Rich Freireich, Chevie Roach, Bruce Werba, Kathy W. Chase, Nathan Elswick

Absent: Roger Hamilton Jr. and Eugene Paul.

Quorum established.

Guests: Robert Walker

ADFG Staff: Josh Pierce, Kyle Campbell

Approval of agenda, discussion to add two items, motion made by Rick to approve the amended agenda, Shirley seconded. Two items added were, cost of the bison project and the 21E and 21D boundaries. Motion carried.

Approval of the 4/17/23 GASH AC meeting, motion made by Rick and seconded by Bruce. Yes to approve, Ken, Shirley, Rick, Chevie, Bruce and Kathy. 6 yes votes

Chairman Ken gave a brief report on the GASH activities, setting up meetings, staying on top of proposals, public information on issues, he mentioned that there has to be someone stepping up to replace him as the Chair, getting school students involved, more people involved, talked about the boundary issue.

ADF & G Staff gave their reports

There was discussion by members of the GASH board on Area M. Robert Walker gave his input on Proposal 43.

Concerns: Proxy hunt, Josh gave out good information on this process. The boundary issue was addressed by Josh. 21E and 21D, the deadline for submitting this proposal is May 1, 2024. Josh will draft up a map and wording and will get the information out to the GASH board. Roll call vote, yes votes: Ken, Nathan, Shirley, Rick, Chevy, Bruce, Kathy. Motion carried.

Information on the bison history was given by Josh. 5 million spent in the last 30 years. 150,000 since 2015

Break for lunch at 12:35

Meeting back on at 1:35 pm.

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Board of Game:

Proposal 47, motion to oppose, 2 no votes, 5 yes

Proposal 48, support this, 7 yes votes

Proposal 50, support this, 7 yes votes

Proposal 53, 54, support this, 7 yes votes

Proposal 59, support this, 7 yes votes

Proposal 208, 6 yes votes, 1 abstain

Proposal 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, ~~support these, 7 yes votes~~ **The GASH AC unanimously OPPOSES these proposals.**

Proposal 73, support this, 7 yes votes

Proposal 74, 6 yes votes, 1 abstain

Proposal 75, support this, 7 yes votes

Proposal 93 - 107, support this, (Josh will provide the language for this)

Board of Fisheries

Proposal 43, support this, 7 yes votes

Joint Board:

Proposal 6 and 7, full support for quorum purposes, 7 yes votes

Ken Chase to attend meeting in Anchorage, March 15-22, 2024, Chevy might be able to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 pm

Minutes Recorded By: Kathy Chase
Minutes Approved By: _____

Alaska Board of Fisheries Upper Cook Inlet Meeting Proposals			
February 23-March 7, 2024 Anchorage, 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
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43	Amend Basic Management Plans as follows <i>(This proposal will be heard and public testimony will be taken at both the LCI and UCI meetings and deliberated at the UCI meeting)</i> :		
SUPPORT	7	0	

Alaska Board of Game Interior and Eastern Arctic Region Meeting Proposals			
March 15-22, 2024 Fairbanks, AK			
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47	Allow proxy hunting for bison in Units 12, 19 and 20		
OPPOSE	2	5	
48	Reauthorize resident grizzly/brown bear tag fee exemptions throughout Interior and Northeast Alaska		
SUPPORT	7	0	
50	Lengthen the marten trapping season in Units 12, 19, 20, 21, 24 and 25 by two weeks to end March 15		
SUPPORT	7	0	
53	Revise the Amount Necessary for Subsistence (ANS) for moose in Unit 19		
SUPPORT	7	0	
54	Review the Amount Necessary for Subsistence (ANS) for moose in Unit 19		
SUPPORT	7	0	

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59	Lengthen the resident only Tier II moose hunt, TM680, in Unit 19A by opening the season five days earlier		
SUPPORT	7	0	
68	Allow moose registration permit RM682 to be obtained online		
SUPPORT	7	0	The GASH AC unanimously OPPOSES this proposal.
69	Allow hunters that hold registration moose permit RM682 in Unit 19 to be eligible to hold other moose permits in the Kuskokwim River drainage		
SUPPORT	7	0	The GASH AC unanimously OPPOSES this proposal.
70	Make fifteen registration moose permits for the Unit 19E moose hunt available in Bethel		
SUPPORT	7	0	The GASH AC unanimously OPPOSES this proposal.
71	Eliminate the Holitna-Hoholitna Controlled Use Area in Unit 19		
SUPPORT	7	0	The GASH AC unanimously OPPOSES this proposal.
72	Change the restrictions of the Holitna-Hoholitna Controlled Use Area by allowing outboards with greater than 40 horsepower to hunt a portion of the season		
SUPPORT	7	0	The GASH AC unanimously OPPOSES this proposal.
73	Reauthorize the Intensive Management Plan for Unit 21E for six years		
SUPPORT	7	0	
74	Require applicants for Unit 21E moose drawing hunt DM837 to provide a unique verification number when applying for that hunt		
SUPPORT	6	0	1 abstention
75	Reauthorize a winter any-moose season during part of February and March in Unit 21E		
SUPPORT	7	0	
93	Lengthen the resident and nonresident brown/grizzly bear season in Unit 19C by opening the season on August 10		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	Amendment: Brown bear: Unit 19B and 19C Aug 10 – June 30 2 bear bag limit for everyone Take at bait Apr 15 – June 30 & Aug1 – Oct. 31 Units 19A, 19D, 19E, 21A and 21E (contain villages) No closed season 2 bear bag limit for everyone Take at bait Apr 15 – June 30 & Aug 1 – Oct 31 Black bear: Unit 19

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			No closed season 5 bear bag limit for everyone Take at bait Apr 15 – June 30 and Aug 1 – Oct 31 Unit 21A, 21E No closed season 3 bear bag limit for everyone Take at bait Apr 15 – June 30 and Aug 1 – Oct 31
94	Lengthen the brown/grizzly bear season by opening the hunt in the fall on the same day as the sheep and caribou seasons and closing the hunt on June 30		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
95	Lengthen the brown/grizzly bear hunting season in Unit 19C		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
96	Lengthen the resident and nonresident brown/grizzly bear hunting season by changing the start date to August 10 .		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
97	Lengthen the brown/grizzly bear hunting season and increase the bag limit in Unit 19C		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
98	Lengthen the brown/grizzly bear hunting season in Unit 19C by one month to align with Units 19A, 19D, and 19E		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
99	Open the brown/grizzly bear hunting season in Unit 19C for residents and nonresidents on August 10		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
100	Lengthen the brown/grizzly bear season in Unit 19E to year-round		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
101	Allow brown/grizzly bears to be taken over bait in Unit 19C, and to be taken at a bait site the same day a hunter has flown		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93

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102	Open a fall bear bait season in Unit 19E		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
103	Increase the bag limit for black bear in Units 19B and 19C from three to five		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
104	Remove the requirement for a general season black bear harvest ticket in Unit 19D		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
105	Allow brown/grizzly bears to be taken over bait in Unit 21A		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
106	Allow hunting of black and brown bear with the use of bait or scent lures in Unit 21E		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
107	Open a fall brown/grizzly bear baiting season in Unit 21E		
SUPPORT AS AMENDED	7	0	See Proposal 93
208	Lengthen the moose hunting season in Unit 19E by five days; allow proxy hunting, and eliminate the restriction of one permit per household		
SUPPORT	6	0	1 abstention

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<p align="center"><u>Joint Board</u> of Fisheries and Game Meeting Proposals March 25-28, 2024 Anchorage, AK</p>			
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6	Allow advisory committees with community designated seats to appoint alternates for those communities.		
SUPPORT	7	0	
7	Clarify the process for appointing advisory committee alternates, allow alternates for communities having more than one designated seat, and establish one year term limits for alternates.		
SUPPORT	7	0	

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