Kenai/Soldotna Advisory Committee 2/11/2016 CIAA

I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Chair Mike Crawford @6:40pm

II. Roll Call:

Kenai AC Board Members	Member Present	Member Excused Absent	Member Absent
Andrew Carmichael-Subsistence	X @ 7:45pm		
Bob Ermold, Vice Chair-At Large			х
Christine Brandt-Comm Fish-Set		Х	
Dick Dykema-Trapping	Х		
Dyer Van Devere-Comm Fish Drift	X		
Jerry Strieby-Sport Fish Guide Alt	X		
Joe Thomas-At Large			х
Michael Hamrick- At Large		Х	
Michelle Williams-Hunting			х
Mike Crawford, Chair-Sport Fish Guide	X		
Monte Roberts-Sport Fish Guide			х
Paul Shadura-Comm Fish	Х		
Pegge Erkeneff-At Large	Х		
Todd Smith-Comm Fish Alt	X		
Will Lee, Secretary-Personal Use	X		

III.

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 7

List of User Groups Present:

- IV. Approval of Agenda:
- V. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: From [meeting date]
- VI. Fish and Game Staff Present: Robert Begich
- VII. Guests Present: 6

VIII. Old Business:

Kenai AC election process discussion: about term limits and number of total board members, plus the diversification of how the Kenai AC is comprised.

Conference call with Sherry Wright, so she can listen in on the AC to go over the election procedures.

Term Dates are still not resolved, AC is going to submit a letter of protest.

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Need to provide a final draft of the election procedure for the Kenai AC to Sherry. Break @ 8:15

IX. New Business:

Meeting reconvened @ 8:25pm

Robert Begich came to speak about king salmon projections: Forecast was sent out in email.

In river plan for both Kenai River and Kasilof Rivers

Kenai Early Run: escapement projection 5200

Start season with Fishery closed May 1st through June

July will continue to have fishing closed above the mouth of Slikok creek Late run Projection is 30,0000

Kasilof River early season: Will restrict fishery by eliminating bait, hatchery fish and wild fish. Want to make sure they get enough fish for brood stock. 2 days of wild harvest by EO and hatchery will go back to allow 2. Will stay single hook no bait.

Kasilof juvenile king stocking has increased since 2014, approximately 150,000

Proposals – Trying to make regulations more simplified and make dates match more comprehensively.

Large fish goal – not enough time to get reports and information out till a future date. Analysis of new sonar data and report will should be done by Fall 2016.

Planning to return at next board meeting

Motion on Board of Fish Proposal 218

Member Pegge Erkeneff-At Large left meeting at 9:05pm Motion on Board of Game Proposal 22

Statewide board of fish march $8^{th}-11^{th}$ – Mike is going this meeting representing the AC 29th Alaska Peninsula / Aleutian Island / Chignik Finfish - February 23rd – 29^{th} – Paul is going to attend representing the AC

Statewide board of game March 18^{th} – 28^{th} - Andrew might be able to attend, will re-check at next meeting

Paul shares information about beluga whales in cook inlet and federal studies being done on beluga whales and possible restrictions that could be imposed.

Mike shares information about Meeting at 4:30 at Kenai Wildlife refuge about hunting on federal land.

Next Meeting on Thursday February 18th, 2016 at 6:30pm at CIAA

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Alaska Board of Game Statewide Meeting, March 8-18, 2016, Fairbanks				
BOG or	Proposal	Proposal Description		
BOF	Number			
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal	
BOG	22	Modify the restrictions on the use of aircraft for sheep hunting		
Oppose	0	8	Long discussion about the merits of hunting sheep by spotting from airplane. Disruption to other hunters, harassing game animals by air, and ethics of this practice in correlation to fair chase. The current law has help level the playing field for the greater population without airplane access. The resident hunters that are affected by the current 207 proposals, are those who own airplanes which is in the minority population. The other group affected are non-resident hunters who are being guided, which this has had a great affect in non-resident harvest efficiency. We as a group oppose proposal 22.	

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned @ 10:20pm

Minutes Recorded By: Will Lee Minutes Approved By: Kenai/Soldotna AC

Date: 2/18/2016

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