

**Anchorage Advisory Game Committee
February 9, 2017
Rabbit Creek Rifle Range
15222 Seward Hwy, Anchorage, AK 99515**

**** Update Minutes per Full Committee Meeting on February 21, 2017 at Cabela's South Anchorage****

- I. The meeting was called to order: [6:32pm] by [Frank Neumann, Anchorage AC Game Subcommittee Chair]
- II. Roll Call: 4
Members Present: Neil DeWitt, Frank Neumann (Chair), Phillip Calhoun, Willow Hetrick (Secretary), Matt Moore.
Members Absent Excused: N/A
Members Absent Unexcused: Jim Bolgiano

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 3

List of User Groups Present: None
- III. Approval of Agenda: Approved unanimously.
- IV. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: N/A
- V. Fish and Game Staff Present: None
- VI. Guests Present: None
- VII. Public Testimony: None
- VIII. Old Business: None
- IX. New Business: See notes below.

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| 1 | Modify the amount reasonably necessary for subsistence for moose. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed: discriminates by zip code, un-constitutional. Special interest hunt. |
| 2 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 3 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 4 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 5 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 6 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. Suggest clarifying what “subsistence hunt tags” mean. |
| 7 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support eliminating the hunt. Confused by the proposer’s comments stating that people in Kodiak, Seldovia, and Homer are able to hunt in the Unit 13 community. Suggest removing this language. |
| 8 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. Suggest that more draw tags for any bulls be allowed as proposed. |
| 9 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose and allocate permits within the Unit 13 subunits based on population. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 10 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 11 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 12 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 13 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. The second sentence of the description is irrelevant, if there are people who have problem judging 50-inch antlers, they shouldn’t be hunting. |
| 14 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt and the December registration moose hunt, and modify the number of available drawing permits. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. Also, support that more draw tags for any bulls be allowed as proposed. |
| 15 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts, or change season dates and eliminate “any bull” tags. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal to eliminate the hunt altogether. No need to change seasons dates and eliminate the any bull language if the hunt is removed. |

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| 16 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest moose hunt, or modify the season and bag limit. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support option 1: for reasons stated in the proposal to eliminate the hunt altogether. No need to change seasons dates and eliminate the any bull language if the hunt is removed. Opposed to the community hunt all together. Cannot support options 2 and 3. Option 2 and 3 were voted unanimously opposed. |
| 17 | Change the season dates for the community subsistence harvest moose hunt. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed: no late season should be allowed on the CHS. Anchorage AC is opposed to the community hunt all together and do not suggest changing the dates as it should go away. |
| 18 | Eliminate or change season dates of the community subsistence harvest moose hunt. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support the elimination only. Oppose a late season hunt because want the hunt to be removed all together. |
| 19 | Modify the community subsistence harvest moose hunts. | | |
| See Vote Tally in Notes | 0 | 0 | Oppose option 1, 11 to 0. Opposed option 2, 11 to 0. Support option 3 IF the community hunt continues, 11 to 0. Support option 4, 11 to 0. |
| 20 | Replace the community subsistence harvest moose hunt with a Tier II moose season. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed: Unit 13 is a Tier 1 + and there is no need to have a Tier 2 hunt. Reasonable opportunity exists in Unit 13. |
| 21 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest moose hunts and replace with a Tier II or registration moose season. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Oppose: object locally held registration. This removes the urban hunters from the equation and does not provide equal opportunity. Oppose unit 13 going to Tier 2. |
| 22 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunts for moose, and adopt a resident "any bull" registration hunt. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support for reasons stated: support every 3-regulatory year restriction after harvest of any bull. Support eliminating the community hunt. Favor a registration hunt over a community hunt. |
| 23 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest moose hunt. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support eliminating the community hunt for moose in Unit 13. Comment on the two-bag limit for grizzlies bears (hunt or baiting) is not relevant to proposal and Anchorage AC does not support or oppose this; did not discuss. Suggest making a new proposal for the brown bear tag by May 1, 2017 for the following year proposal book. |
| 24 | Clarify the communities eligible for the "100 bull" quota and extend the season. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed: discriminates by zip code, un-constitutional. Special interest hunt. Do not support additional hunting days on the beginning or the end. Anchorage AC does not support the community moose hunt in Unit 13. |
| 25 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose, or require hunters to choose subsistence or general hunt and restrict the hunt area. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Support eliminating the hunt but do not support having people choose between |

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| | | | subsistence or general hunting. Anchorage AC is opposed to the community hunt all together and therefore did not support other suggestions. |
| 26 | Change the antler restrictions for the general seasons moose hunt in Unit 13. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Wants to remove the 50-inch restriction because of judging concerns. Oppose because one of legal harvest options is taken away. There are moose that are larger than 50 inches but do not have 4 brow tines. |
| 27 | Change the antler restrictions for the general season moose hunt in Unit 13. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Oppose: 50-inches is a standard measurement across the State. If a hunter is stressed due to the rule, suggest not hunting or becoming more educated. |
| 28 | Change the antler restrictions for the general season moose hunt in Unit 13. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Oppose: this antler size is too small. It is much easier because it is too easy and too liberal. Anchorage AC has biological and overharvest concerns with this proposal. |
| 29 | Close the nonresident moose season in Unit 13. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Oppose: Do not support the argument posed by RHA. Would like to maintain the ability for family to come along with resident family members and hunt the area. 115 tags do not put pressure on resident's hunts. Typically, non-resident hunters are hunting far from the road system. |
| 30 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for caribou. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |
| 31 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for caribou. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. Tier 1 provides reasonable opportunity for all Alaskans, not just the 8 communities participating in the CSH. |
| 32 | Change the eligibility criteria for Tier I caribou and moose hunts in Unit 13. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed: discriminates by zip code, un-constitutional. Special interest hunt. Do not support a Tier 1 moose hunt. |
| 33 | Eliminate the caribou community subsistence harvest hunt, Tier I and drawing hunts, and the requirement to hunt moose in Unit 13; replace with a registration hunt period system. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: thoughtful proposal. Support removal of the subsistence hunt, support the removal of the Tier system in Unit 13, and support the uncoupling of caribou and moose harvest requirements. Support because it makes people register for a 7-day (summer) and 14-day (winter) time slot. Registrants must submit for a window to hunt. |
| 34 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for caribou, increase the number of caribou household Tier I permits, and shorten the season. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed because do not agree with Tier 1 two caribou per household and the removal of the fall draw caribou hunt and having winter only. Support eliminating the community hunts. |
| 35 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest moose hunt and remove the requirement for Tier I caribou hunters to hunt moose in Unit 13. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. |

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| 36 | Increase the bag limit for the caribou community harvest hunt and clarify the communities eligible for receiving the 300 caribou quota. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed: discriminates by zip code, un-constitutional. Special interest hunt. Do not support community hunting. Do not support the extension of seasons should the community hunt unfortunately continue. |
| 37 | Lengthen the caribou season, increase winter caribou bag limit, and establish a youth hunting season. | | |
| Support as Amended | 11 | 0 | Amended proposal: Keep same opening/closure dates (Sept 21-October 20 closure) that are in the current regulations. Allow a two-caribou bag limit for the time frame of October 21 -March 31 to coincide with the existing regulations. Open a youth hunt from August 1- 10 . |
| 38 | Eliminate drawing hunt for caribou in Unit 13, and remove the requirement that Unit 13 Tier I caribou hunters shall hunt moose in Unit 13. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed to removing the draw hunts. The draw hunt is not the way to remove the concerns of overcrowding of the area. |
| 39 | Remove the requirement that Unit 13 Tier I caribou hunters shall hunt moose in Unit 13. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: for reasons stated in the proposal. Support the ability to choose where to hunt moose outside of Unit 13 if wanted. |
| 40 | Remove the requirement that Unit 13 Tier I caribou hunters shall hunt moose in Unit 13. | | |
| No Action | -- | -- | See comments on proposal #3; written better. |
| 41 | Shorten the season dates for the Unit 13 caribou draw hunt, and remove the requirement that Unit 13 Tier I caribou hunters to hunt moose in Unit 13 | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed because it does not address the overcrowding issue. Without reducing the number of tags, having draw hunters forced into a two-week period is only going to make overcrowding worse. |
| 42 | Change the dates for the Unit 13 caribou draw season. | | |
| Opposed | 0 | 11 | Opposed: no biological concern. ADF&G has the option to EO close this hunt if needed. Do not support restrictions of caribou drawing permit holders. |
| 43 | Eliminate the community subsistence harvest hunt for moose, lengthen the general season and adopt an "any bull" registration permit. | | |
| Support | 11 | 0 | Support: in lieu of a community subsistence hunt. Still provides for equal opportunity for Alaskans. Concerns over the registration in Glenallen only for the winter portion in the proposed CVPA. Suggest removing the language with requiring to pick up the permits for the CVPA hunt in Glenallen. This restricts Alaskans ability to access the hunt and area, especially urban hunters of which this AC represents. Would like to see the total number of moose draw tags be raised. Consider charging money for the application of these permits to generate money for the Department to further monitor moose populations and harvest in Unit 13. See it as another way for the Department to manage wildlife sustainably. Support the idea because if there are 500 surplus moose to harvest, opening it up to the masses may cause an under-harvest. There was also concern with rural, |

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| | | | Glenallen areas maybe having problems with accessing the internet and competing with urban hunters. Some AC members support the rural lifestyle and think that these people should have priority access to certain hunt and/or hunt areas. |

Meeting adjourned at: 9:00pm

Minutes Recorded By: Willow Hetrick

Minutes Approved By: Frank Neumann

Date: February 9 & 21, 2017