

**Togiak Fish and Game
Advisory Committee Meeting
October 23, 2012 9:00 a.m.
Togiak Senior Center
Togiak, Alaska**

Agenda/Meeting Minutes

- **Call to Order** 10:07
- **Roll Call**

Julius Henry P	Frank Logusak P	Gust Bartman P
John Bavilla P	John Nick Exc.	Moses Kritz Exc.
Jonathan Forsling P	Peter Lockuk Exc.	
- **Approval of Agenda** FL made a motion to approve agenda items seconded by JH, motion carried
- **Approval of Last Meeting Minutes** FL made a motion to table March 2012 Meeting Minutes seconded by GB, motion carried
- **Introduce Staff and Guests** Susan Jenkins-Brito, the new ADFG Board Support Coordinator for SW Alaska Region, Jim Wollington F&G, Paul Liedberg F&W, Andy Aderman F&W, Frank Woods BBNA, Arline Woods BBNA, Mark Strubb BBNA, Sally Nukwak BBNA, Scott Quist F&G, Matt Jones F&G, Helen Gregorio, Bob Dubey, John Parker, Pete Abraham, James Awolin
- **Reports from the Department and F&W Troopers**

Jim Woolington-Here to cover Moose Management Plan and BOG Proposals Handouts for 17A harvest numbers for fall and winter hunts Bear, Moose and Caribou 33 Fall Moose permits have not reported out of 135 issued out of 102 reports 90 hunters hunted and 28 moose were taken which is similar to last year (List Eunice non reporting) Questions Frank L. How many guides in 17A? Andy A. 2 guides Frank W. Too many bears in 17A How can we solve this? Any Leases? FL Set up bear guides with BBNA Paul L. Twin Hills and Manokotak have this in place

Andy Aderman- Nush. Penn. Caribou-86 harvests 3rd highest Togiak 15 the rest Manokatak, Dillingham and Anchorage good calf recruitment & and overall population including bulls are up 900+ minimum count 2011 859 minimum count Twin Hills had permits but didn't hunt 2012 moose had good calves with 59% twins Lost many collard moose but high percent of older moose data within historical range no 17A counts last year plan to count Feb 2013 Last count 2011 1,166 moose in Feb-March 2008 1,070 moose Frank L. At 2011 Wasilla BOG hunters say they want to sport hunt and that the

population is wealthy and I am afraid 2013 BOG will approve this and local hunters will have trouble and questioned whether Fed Sub Board restrict hunts if BOG approves Sport hunts Andy A. They can but this hasn't occurred yet Jim W. BOG will often follow plans put into place by local entities Frank L. Glad Traditional Council of Togiak talked to USF&W, ADF&G and BBNA and have good communication [to develop MMP] Gust B. Long time to increase moose population John B. How high do guides fly for moose hunt (Andy A. Doesn't think it is restricted) they fly to low and drive moose inland making fall hunts hard Frank L. Wants annual counts not every other year Paul L. funding is tough to perform counts annually Jim W. Remember radio tracking, calving surveys and other data not just count important Paul L. Togaik Refuge limit 17 to two guides an unit 18 one guide Frank W. Boundries need flex into Chogg land John B. Wolf counts? (Andy A. no counts) I have heard there are lots of wolves in Kulukuk area and the moose bring them in Frank L. Wolves not only predators lots of bears and I have witnessed them killing moose

Jason Dye No report will answer questions during proposals no 2012 data yet hopefully will have it before BOG

Frank Woods BOF Dec. 4-12 BOG wait for recommendations

Break 11:00-11:13

- **New Business**

- **Signing of the Moose Management Plan** FL made a motion to adopt and sign Moose Management Plan seconded by GB, motion carried
 - **Board of Game Proposals** FL made a motion to table BOG proposals till next meeting seconded by JH, motion carried
 - **Area T (Bristol Bay) Proposals**
 - Proposal 1-3 Nushagak specific No Action
 - Proposal 4 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by JH discussion F&W concerned about guts in the water and how to enforce
JB have always thrown fish parts in the water to keep bears from coming around
Jason D. not really affect Togiak water social issue chumming mostly rainbow
FL artificial bait is worrisome specifically treated eggs, Motion carried
 - Proposal 5 No action
 - Proposal 6-7 No action based on Proposal 8
 - Proposal 8 FL made a motion seconded by JH discussion FL made a motion to amend the proposal to include all waters from Cape Newenham to Cape Constintine, motion carried discussion JF we are concerned with the future of our Chinook run, motion carried
- Matt Jones* update 2012 Salmon season and 2012 herring season and 2013 herring forecast
- FL made a motion to request a amount necessary for subsistence use study to BBNA and have Traditional Council of Togaik pass a resolution to same affect

and have Traditional Council of Togiak request BBNA to work with NPMC to oversee yellow fin trawl fishery seconded by JB, motion carried

Proposal 9 no action

Proposal 10 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by JB discussion ADF&G neutral on allocative proposals JB Kelp not as much as it used to be FL where does our herring go does it go to Dutch harbor Matt J? Matt J. a lot is unknown but we believe it is one stock JF would take away spawn on kelp fishery giving our subsistence resource away, motion failed

Proposal 11 JF made a motion to adopt seconded by FL discussion JF fishing is too early and taking too many females the ecosystem can't handle the aggressive nature of the fishery FL seiners catch 100% of targeted fish and gillnetters inadvertently release some of the targeted fish taking away from our local resident opportunity to participate in the fishery, motion failed

Proposal 12 FL Made a motion to adopt seconded by JB discussion JF we have gone long enough allowing our resource to be exploited with extreme detriment to our eco-system Matt J. drifters couldn't pull 50% of allocation from Kalukuk Section Frank W. historically there has been a gillnet fishery in additional grounds FL made a motion to amend to allow additional fishing grounds for drifters seconded by JH, motion carried, main motion carried

Proposal 13 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by GB discussion JF we are very serious about resource and how it impacts our subsistence and our ecosystem and the impacts of this fishery and current management are well addressed in the proposal the changes in this fishery have been very dramatic to the local ecosystem and this needs to be studied as to the cause of these changes, motion carried

Proposal 14 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by GB discussion FL made a motion to amend the proposal to allow gillnet fisherman with in closed waters seconded by GB discussion FL concern is with seine fishery catching 100% of targeted schools of fish not allowing for spawn and due to action on Proposal 12, motion carried, main motion as amended carried

Proposal 15-20 No Action

Proposal 21-24 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by GB discussion regulations are good as written, motion failed

Proposal 25 No action

Proposal 26 & 29 FL made a motion to ask BOF to take no action based on comments on 85&86, motion carries

Proposal 27 & 28 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by JH discussion housekeeping proposal, motion carried

Proposal 30 & 31 No Action

Proposal 32-35 JH made a motion to adopt proposal 32-35 seconded by FL discussion JF Togiak is a smaller fishery with often time smaller than 32 foot and shallow draft vessels specific to our bay we oppose all vessel size increases, motion failed

Proposal 36-40 No action based on actions taken on 41-42

Proposal 41 & 42 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by JH discussion JF the spirit of dual permitting has not been realized and everyone should be afforded equal opportunities to participate in the fishery, motion carried

Proposal 43 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by JB discussion JF hurts small local fishery as we have small run and small district FL after transfer date many outside boats are coming to our district with dual permits we have a gentleman fishery and we like to provide equal opportunities to all participants within the fishery JF we could also extend transfer date to August 1st to allow for the more opportunity for local harvest of our late run fishery, there are some very small areas in our district almost allowing dual permits to cover more than half the allowed fishing area, motion carried

Proposal 44-54 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by GB discussion JF we oppose all dual permits for drifters and set netters FL we oppose dual permits for set netters as it would restructure entire fishery and it has dried up set net permit market, motion failed

Proposal 85 & 86 FL made a motion to adopt discussion JF invite all user groups to come together with department to develop comprehensive species specific Chinook enhancement/management plan to proactively conserve and preserve this fishery develop triggering management to grow our stocks to establish a necessity to gather data concerning these runs FL form working group to conserve these fisheries without affecting our sockeye run, motion carried

FL made a motion to support Nushagak ACs actions on all remaining proposals seconded by JH motion carried

Proposal 86 FL made a motion to adopt seconded by JB discussion alignment proposal to move Emergency order waiving period to align with movement of transfer period to July 27th at last BOF meeting

- **Old Business**
- **Set next meeting date and place** Early January Call of the Chair
- **Adjourn** JH made a motion to adjourn at 5:08