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Date: 8-28-2012

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From: Frank Kelty, Chairman Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC

Subject: Unalaska AC information

Items from the Unalaska AC Committee are listed below

Approved minutes of the March 4, 2012 Unalaska AC meeting. Roster of the current Unalaska/Dutch Harbor AC board as of August 25, 2012 with one vacancy.

Copy of the meeting agenda for the Unalaska AC meeting held on August 25th Copy of the sign in sheet for the meeting held on August 25, 2012 Resignation letter by committee member Don Graves, accepted by the committee by a vote of 6-0.

Letter of Interest to join committee by Ms. Jennifer Shockley.

New Advisory Committee Member form from Ms. Jennifer Shockley elected by a vote of 5-1

Susan,

When I get the draft minutes done from the meeting held on August 25, 2012 I will e-mail you them to you. I will await your e-mail so we can send information that way I will scan the items sent today and send them electronically as well. If you gat and information on when the department comments will be done as well the ACR's that will be discussed at the October work session I would like to see the list of the items.

Thank You

Frank Kelty

APPROVED

UNALASKA /DUTCH HARBOR, FISH AND GAME ADVISORY COMMITEE PO Box 162 Unalaska, AK 99685

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES FOR

SATURDAY MARCH 4, 2012

UNALASKA PUBLIC LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM

- **1. CALL TO ORDER**-Chairman Frank Kelty, called the meeting to order at 1:10 PM on Saturday March 4, 2012.
- 2. ROLL CALL- present, Frank Kelty, Steven Gregory, Kristenjan Laxfoss, Dick Peck, Don Goodfellow, Absent Mike Holman, Roger Rowland, Don Graves, Reid Brewer and Zac Nehus. Guests included ADFG staff members Heather Fitch, Trent Hartill, and Britta Baechler
- **3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA-** moved by Peck seconded by Goodfellow motion to approve agenda adopted 5-0.
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES, from the September 17, 2011 advisory committee meeting moved by Don Goodfellow second Steven Gregory no discussion minutes approved 5-0 Minutes from the December 17, 2011 advisory committee meeting, motion to adopt Don Goodfellow, second by Steven Gregory no discussion, minutes approved 5-0

5. ADFG UPDATE ON BSAI CRAB FISHERIES AND STATE WATER COD FISHERY,

Heather Fitch, ADFG Regional Biologist, in charge of the ADFG Unalaska office gave and update on the state water crab fisheries, included in the update was the current catch information, size and weight and amount of vessels participating in the various fisheries. Heather discussed the Opilio Snow Crab, Aleutian Island Golden King Crab and Eastern Aleutian Island Bairdi Tanner Crab fisheries. Questions by board members and some of there comments were on the good fishing and very good quality of the Snow Crab production and major concerns expressed were on the ice conditions on the Snow crab grounds slowing down the fishery and that and extension my be needed to complete the harvest by the book closure date on May 31, 2012. About 50% of the 89 million pound quota has been harvested as of March 3rd 2012. Heather

Fitch also touched on the Golden King Crab fishery that is getting close to being completed. The fishery has only one vessel fishing and just and an estimated 250,000lbs left to harvest in the western district, from the quota of 2.5 million pounds. The eastern district quota of 3.0 million pounds has been completed. The Eastern Aleutian Islands District Bairdi fishery is complete, one vessel fished the 35,000lbs quota from Makushin Bay area and the allocation was taken. ADFG staff person Trent Hartill, updated the committee on the Alaska Peninsula Pacific Cod fishery, and on the upcoming state-water Pacific Cod fishery in the Adak area that will be getting underway shortly, the quota is 14 million pound and will have effort by trawl vessels 100' ft and under pot boats of 125'ft and under and longline vessels restricted to 58'ft under the fishery has two floating processors registered and the lcicle Adak shoreplant buying cod the season should last until they end of April

6. NORTH PACIFIC COUNCIL DECEMBER MEETING UPDATE

Chairman Kelty gave and overview of actions taken by NPFMC meeting held in Seattle in early February he touched on the GOA bycatch issues as it pertains to Halibut PSC and Chinook bycatch. He also touched on Crab bycatch and rebuilding issues in the Bering Sea that addressed by the Council, and the Skate Egg nursery issue that could impact the Pollock B season fishery.

7. OLD BUSINESS

a.) Comment and Reviewed the Statewide Dungeness crab, Shrimp, and Misc. Shellfish Proposals. For the March 21st -24th 2012 Board of Fisheries meeting in Anchorage, Alaska. The committee took action on the following proposals for that upcoming BOF meeting.

Proposal 380 -5AAC 39.975(XX) Definitions. Establish a definition for anchor roller as follows: Motion to support by Don Goodfellow second Dick Peck, discussion the committee felt that the Board of Fisheries was taking the right action in getting this issue defined and set into regulation, many of the committee members have heard about and had seen vessels that might have been out of compliance with State law. The motion to support passed 5-0

Proposal 382-5AAC34.612. Harvest levels for Golden King Crab in Registration Area O. Increase total allowable catch in the Aleutian Island Golden King Crab fishery due to the lack of adoption of the new stock assessment model by crab plan team as follows: Motion to support by Don Goodfellow seconded by Steven Gregory. Discussion, committee

overall felt that, with further delays in getting the assessment model completed by ADFG and the overall continued very good performance of this rationalized fishery with high catch per unit effort that TAC for this fishery for almost 20 years has been between 5-6 million pounds. That most of the committee members supported taking a position to support the proposal. It was discussed that this fishery has only 5 vessels fishing in both districts and that the total number of pots has been reduced to only 5,000 pots from over 10,000 pots before rationalization, this fisherv is also observed 24-7 and that is where ADFG catch information come from. Heather Fitch ADFG Unalaska office biologist in charge, stated that the ADFG will oppose proposal 382 that they feel that and assessment model should be in place before and increase to the TAC is granted, their still is allot of unknowns in this fishery and they would like the model in place and more information and survey information in place before increase is granted. Committee members felt that this fishery warranted and increased TAC it was pointed out that increase in the TAC would also bring increased economic activity to Unalaska especially from crab deliveries from the Eastern district that would processed in Unalaska.

Proposal 384-5AAC34.816 (a) (1). Bristol Bay Red King Crab Harvest Strategy Plan. Amend regulation as follows: Motion to support Don Goodfellow, second Kristejen Laxfoss. Discussion, this proposal removes the minimum stock threshold level of 4.0 million pounds for the Red King crab fishery. This threshold level is no longer needed, since the Bristol Bay Red Crab fishery is now rationalized and no longer managed in season by ADFG. The committee was in support of the proposal and stated that it was more or less a housekeeping issue that needed to be removed and if left in regulation books it could have closed the Bristol Bay Red King Crab fishery in years of low abundance. Proposal 384 was supported by the committee by a vote of 5-0

Proposal386-5AAC02.010. Methods Mean Sand general restrictions; 5 ACC 75.035 Methods and means; 5ACC77.010 Methods, means and general restrictions. Add marking requirements for ring nets in the subsistence, sport and personal use shellfish, fisheries as follow: Motion to support Don Goodfellow, second Dick Peck, this proposal just get the marking for ring net gear into regulation, housekeeping issue the committee supported the proposal 386 by a vote of 5-0.

b.) Approve Sportfish staffing and salmon stock assessment letter to Commissioner Cora Campbell. The committee made some minor changes to the letter and by motion approved sending it out the committee thanked committee member Dick Peck for his work on the letter and to Heather Fitch and her staff for there assistance they will provide this summer on local salmon stream assessment work.

c.) Bering Sea Aleutian Island Crab issue letter to North Pacific Council Crab Plan team and to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. The committee had a short discussion and Chairman Kelty will send in a letter before the May Crab plan team meeting in Seattle. The focus of the letter will be on increased stock assessment survey work for the BSAI, and improved crab modeling work.

8. NEW BUSINESS,

a.) Discussion on Board of Fisheries call for Proposals Due April 10th, 2012 for Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Island / Bristol Bay/ AYK Fin Fish and all Statewide Finfish regulations.

Committee discussed Unalaska Bay trawl closure that we addressed in 2009 it appeared that the Unalaska Native Fisherman's Association was going to address that issue, and committee member Steven Gregory submitted a proposal that addressed a salmon fishing issue on the Iliuliuk River, in Unalaska proper. There was also a discussion of the possibly of State water Pacific Cod proposal for the Bering Sea could be submitted this meeting cycle which could lead to a real battle with the. Bering Sea Cod big boat fleet. Proposal forms were made available for the committee members and the public.

9. VOICE OF THE MEMBERSHIP,

No comment by the members.

10. PUBLIC COMMENT,

No public comment.

11. NEXT MEETING DATE and TIME.

At the call of the chairman, most likely in August when the new proposals are out for public review.

12. ADJOURMENT at 2:15PM on Saturday March 4, 2012

Frank Kelty, Chairmen

Date

Approved

Mike Holman, Secretary

Date

Approved

UNALASKA/DUTCH HARBOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE NINE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATE COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND OFFICERS AUGUST 25, 2012

One year seats: A. Vacant*

B. Don Goodfellow,

C. Zac Nehus

Two year seats G. Steven Gregory,

H. Kristjan Laxfoss I. Mike Holman,

Three year seats D. Frank Kelty, Chairman

E. Roger Rowland,

F. Jennifer Shockley*

One year Alternate Reid Brewer

*Newly elected member to Seat F Jennifer Shockley as of 8/25/12

*Seat A went on Vacant 8/25/12 with the resignation of Don Graves

Unalaska/Dutch Harbor Fish&Game Advisory Committee Unalaska Public Library Conference Room Saturday August 25, 2012 12:00PM to 4:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Additions to Agenda
- 3. Approval of Agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes March 4, 2012 meeting
- 5. Legislative, Election of new committee member to Seat F three -year seat
- 6. ADFG updates on BSAI crab, Herring, Salmon, and Groundfish fisheries.
- 7. Old Business

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- 8. New business
 - a. Discussion and review Board of Fisheries Proposals for 2012/2013 for Alaska Peninsula /Aleutian Islands (All Areas Finfish) Bristol Bay Area, and AYK (All Areas Fin Fish) and Statewide Finfish and Supplemental issues.

9. Public Comment / Voice of the Membership

- 10. Next Meeting Date and Time
- 11. Adjournment

SIGN-IN SHEET

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DATE: 8/25 /12

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Donald W. Graves P.O. Box 921088 Dutch Harbor, AK. 99692 August 25, 2012

Frank Kelty Chairman ADF&G Advisory Board Dutch Harbor, AK. 99692

Dear Mr. Kelty:

It is with regret that I tender my resignation from the Alaska Department of Fish and Game local advisory board of directors, effective immediately.

I am grateful for having had the opportunity to serve on the board of this fine organization and help to support our local fisheries resources and its users. I am hopeful that the board under its current leadership will continue to support sustainable fishing practices whether it is sports or commercially related. I would like to also offer my best wishes for its continued success and the members who are serving or have served on the board..

Sincerely,

Donald W. Graves

Vice-Chair

PO Box 921246 Dutch Harbor, AK 99692 (907) 359-1711

April 18, 2012

Mr. Frank Kelty Chairperson Unalaska Fish and Game Advisory Committee 34 4th St. Unalaska, AK 99685

Dear Mr. Kelty,

I am writing this letter to express my interest in serving the Unalaska community on our local Fish and Game Advisory Committee. I have worked in Unalaska since 1990 and have been a resident here since May 1995. I worked from 1990-1998 in the fishing industry as domestic fisheries observer and observer-supervisor, and began working for the City of Unalaska in September 1998. I am a home-owner and have been actively involved in other volunteer/non-profit boards and organizations - USAFV, Unalaska Fire/EMS, KUCB, PCR and UDA – in the years that I have lived here.

I have routinely participated in sport and subsistence fishing in the 22 years that I have lived and worked in Unalaska. I have held subsistence permits for crab and salmon for most of the last 12 years, and a halibut subsistence card for the last six years. Since 1995 I have also obtained annually a sport fishing license, used primarily for salmon, Dolly Varden and rockfish. The fish and crab caught under those sport and subsistence permits account for a significant percentage of my household's annual diet. While I do little hunting in Unalaska, I am an avid outdoorsperson who fully appreciates the land-based natural resources that our area offers to hunters, trappers, hikers and bird-watchers alike.

I believe maintaining our fish and wildlife resources is important not just for my benefit, but for that of the entire community – a community in which many people rely on our natural resources for basic human necessities as well as for enjoyment and income. I would appreciate the opportunity to serve on this Advisory Board and help ensure that our fish and wildlife stocks will be healthy and abundant for years to come.

Sincerely,

Jennifer L. Shockley

NEW OR RE-ELECTED ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER FORM

Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Boards Support Office

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