

Bethel Advisory Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2021

ADF&G Office, 6:00 p.m.

Teleconference: 1.800.504.8071 Code: 5432709

CALL TO ORDER: 6:27PM

ROLL CALL/ ESTABLISH QUORUM: Present- Jaimie Kassman, Alissa Nadine Rogers, Robert Lekander, Jerry White, Jon La Valle, Lucinda Alexie, Robert Hoffman, Rafe Johnson; Excused- Henry Kohl, Mike Riley Absent- Thad Tikiun; Left Council (moved)- Benjamin Eisen

INVOCATION: Alissa Nadine Rogers

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS: Boyd, YDNWR; Bobette Dickerson, ADFG George Weir, Aaron Moses- Subsistence Coordinator YDNWR; Janessa Esquible, ONC Natural Resources Director; Nicholas Smith, ADFG Area Management Biologist Comm. Fish; Ben Gray, ADFG Assistant Area Management Bio Comm; Patrick Jones, Area Wildlife Biologist; Karen Brito, BOS;

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Approve; Motion- Robert Hoffman 2nd- Jon La Valle, Question Called, Unanimous

APPROVAL OF MINUTES February 10, 2020: Table; Motion- Alissa Rogers- 2nd John La Valle, Question Called, Unanimous

ADF&G/USFWS Reports: Made in attendance- but not limited to discussion until proposals below.

Elections:

Re-Elected June 30, 2023- Jaimie Kassman (M-Alissa Nadine Rogers, 2nd- John La Valle; Unanimous)

Re-Elected June 30, 2023- Thad Tikiun (M-Alissa Nadine Rogers, 2nd- John LaValle; Unanimous)

Table June 30, 2023- VACANT (M-Alissa Nadine Rogers, 2nd- John LaValle; Unanimous)

Re-Elected June 30, 2022- John LaValle (M- AR, 2nd- JL, Unanimous)

Re- Elected June 30, 2022- Alissa Nadine Rogers (M- Lucinda; 2nd-

Re- Elected June 30, 2022- Henry Hunter (M- AR, 2nd- JL, Unanimous)

Re- Elected June 30, 2022- Robert Lekandar (M- AR, 2nd- JL, Unanimous)

Re- Elected June 30, 2022- Rafe Johnson (M-AR, 2nd- Hoffman, Unanimous)

Chair- Jaimie Kassman (M- John La Valle 2nd- Hoffman, Unanimous)

Vice Chair- Henry Kohl (M- John LaValle 2nd- Hoffman, Unanimous)

Secretary- Alissa Nadine Rogers (M- John LaValle 2nd- Hoffman, Unanimous)

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Moose count/ numbers for 19A.** (*Josh Peirce, ADF&G Wildlife Biologist*)

- **Proposal 181:**

**This issue was discussed and voted on as ACR 1 during the Oct. 3, 2017 Bethel AC meeting prior to*

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it becoming Proposal 165. Members would like to provide additional information to the Bethel AC to consider and discuss/vote on it as Proposal 165. Discussion/comments will be submitted as a Record Copy (RC) to the BOG Southwest/Central meeting Feb. 16-23, 2018 where Prop. 165 will be taken up.

Alaska Board Of Game- 2021			
Proposal Number	Proposal Description		
Support, Support as Amended, Oppose, No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (list Pros and Cons), Amendments to Proposal
181	5 AAC 85.045(a)(16). Hunting seasons and bag limits for moose. Reauthorization of Antlerless Moose in Unit 18:		
			Jones, Area Manager- Retain current regulations for the antlerless moose hunt. Current survey: Total population count of 17,000-20,000 (or more) Moose as of to date- with more to update as we are still conducting surveys on the Yukon. Note: Need more harvest in the lower river where there is amount of 11,500 moose surveyed. If anyone has options or ideas on how to reduce moose populations, please contact Patrick Jones at 543-2433
	6	0	(M- Robert Hoffman, 2 nd - Alissa Nadine Rogers, unanimous)
190	5 AAC 92.015. Brown Bear Tag Fee Exemption. Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Unit 18:		
			Joes, Area Manager- This waives the fee and locking tag to go hunting for brown bear in unit 18.
	6	0	(M- Alissa Nadine Rogers, 2 nd - Robert Hoffman, Unanimous)

OTHER/MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

- **Support letter for George River Weir** (Bobette Dickerson, ADFG George River)
Bobette Dickerson, ADFG- Proposing to continue for 4 additional years. It is important because the other weir (tetlawitsik) is no longer operational. This location holds value for run escapement and (M-Alissa Nadine Rogers, 2nd- Robert Hoffman, Unanimous)
- **Discussion Changes to Board Meeting Schedules** (*T. Brito*)
 - February 12-16, 2021; Anchorage
 - BOF: Call for Proposals, extended: May 10, 2021

NEXT MEETING DATE: Call of the Chair, recommended mid-April 2021

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Minutes Approved: Jaimie Kassman, Chairman

Minutes Taken By: Alissa Nadine Rogers, Secretary