

**Grayling, Anvik, Shageluk & Holy Cross (GASH)
Fish & Game Advisory Committee Meeting**

Friday, February 3rd, 2023 at 2:00 pm

Web/Teleconference

- I. Call to Order: ~2:05 by Ken Chase
- II. Roll Call
Members Present: Ken Chase, Nathan Elswick, Shirley Clark, Rich Freireich, Eugene Paul, David Walker, Chevie Roach, Roger Hamilton Jr., Bruce Werba
Members Absent: none
Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 5
- III. Fish and Game Staff Present: Kyle Campbell (Boards Support), Josh Peirce (Wildlife), Tom Seaton (Wildlife), Deena Jallen (Comm. Fish), Christy Gleason (Comm. Fish), Lisa Stuby (Sport Fish), Sam Decker (Comm. Fish), Shane Ransbury (Comm. Fish)
- IV. Guests Present: Kathy Chase, Matt Burkett, Carolyn Burkett, Ron Kruger, Cliff Hickson, Robert Walker, Alyssa Wulf, Don (Anvik Tribal Council), Renee Richardson (Anvik Tribal Council), Gale Vick (Fairbanks AC), Olivia Henaayee Irwin (Minto/Nenana AC), Jeremy Havener (USFWS), Sam Thorvilson (AWT)
- V. Chair's Comments:
- VI. Concerns/Comments of Public:

Cliff Hickson of the Anvik River Lodge wanted to know if Board of Fisheries proposal 140 was set in stone if it was adopted. Gale Vick responded that this proposal would be set for 3 years, but, if necessary an emergency order can be brought forward.
- VII. Concerns/Comments of AC Members:
Rich Freireich would like to have sub-units within 21E. This could be an agenda item for the next GASH meeting. Chevy would like to have the regulations looked at. Nathan would like the by catch discussed. Bruce would like to see someone locally to submit their name for the RAC board. Robert Walker spoke up and said that he submitted his name for that.
- VIII. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: n/a (minutes from [2/9/22](#) & [2/15/22](#) have not been generated yet). The minutes from 2/15/22 were waived until the next meeting.

IX. Approval of Agenda as amended: Motion by Nathan Elswick 2nd by Bruce Werba; unanimous

X. New Business:

a. Board of Fisheries AYK Meeting Recap/Update with Deena Jallen

b. Discussion of Board of Fisheries Proposal #140 concerning the South Unimak and Shumagin Island June Salmon Management Plan and other Alaska Peninsula / Aleutian Island / Chignik Finfish 2022-2023 Board of Fisheries proposals as requested by committee members (comments due February 6th):

Rich Freireich made a motion to support Proposal 140, seconded by David Walker. Motion passed unamiously.

c. Wood Bison Restoration Project Update with Tom Seaton:
On the 28 Nov. 2022 150 bison were counted. Possible to open up a hunt in 5 to 10 years. Tom explained the system for hunting permits.

d. Recommendations on Board of Game Proposals that will be deliberated on during the Southcentral Region meeting in Soldotna, AK March 17-22, 2023: (comments due March 3rd)

Josh Peirce introduced each proposal. Proposal 185 has to be reauthorized every year by the AC. He explained that the hunt is open to those that did not have a successful hunt in the fall. Hunting is allowed on all lands, State and Federal.

- Proposal 185 to reauthorize antlerless moose harvest in unit 21E
Rich makes a motion to reauthorize Proposal 185, seconded by David. Passed 9-0.

- Proposal 206 to reauthorize intensive management in unit 21E
Bruce makes a motion to keep this, seconded by Nathan. Roll call vote, supported unanimously, 9-0.

- Proposal 204 to close sheep hunting in unit 19C for 5 years
Eugene made a motion to support this, seconded by Rich, Proposal passed unamiously. 9-0

e. Set date & agenda items for face-to-face meeting & election:
April 10th at 1:00 in Shageluk. Elections for Shageluk and Undesignated seats.

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- f. Other fisheries, game, and committee business as needed:
 - i. Discussion of potential proposals to put forward to the Board of Game for the 2023-2024 meeting cycle (proposals due May 1st, 2023)
 - ii. select representative(s) for board meeting(s):
The GASH voted unanimously for Rick to attend the Board of Fish in Anchorage on the 20th of February 2023 to give testimony. Unanimous consent. Rich Freireich will represent the AC at the Board of Fisheries meeting Feb 20th – 25th

XI. Other

XII. Adjourn: 4:56 pm

Alaska Board of Fisheries: Alaska Peninsula/Aleutian Island/Chignik February 20-25, 2022 Anchorage, AK			
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Support/ Support as amended/Oppose/No Action	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments, Discussion (pros & cons), Voting Notes, Amendments
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140	Amend the South Unimak and Shumagin Islands June Salmon Management Plan to reduce commercial salmon fishing time.		
SUPPORT	9	0	

Alaska Board of Game Southcentral Region Meeting Proposals March 17-21, 2023 Soldotna, AK			
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185	Reauthorize a winter antlerless moose season during part of February and March in Unit 21E		
SUPPORT	9	0	
204	Close resident and nonresident hunting for Dall sheep in Unit 19C, for five years		
SUPPORT	9	0	
206	Reauthorize the Unit 21E Intensive Management Plan		
SUPPORT	9	0	

Adjournment: 4:56 pm

Minutes Recorded By: Kathy Chase & ADF&G
 Minutes Approved By: _____
 Date: _____