North Slope Advisory Committee February 5, 2015 Barrow, Alaska

I. Call to Order: @ 9:36 am by Chair Enoch Oktollik

II. Roll Call

Members Present: William Hopson (At-Large), George Kingik (Point Hope), Eli Nukapigak (Nuiqsut), Warren Lampe (Point Lay), Lee Kayotuk (Kaktovik), Herman Kignak, Sr. (Atqasuk), Enoch Oktollik (Wainwright), Joe Leavitt (Barrow)

Members Absent: Esther Hugo (Anaktuvuk Pass)

Number Needed for Quorum on AC: 7

List of User Groups Present: North Slope Borough Law Department; North Slope Borough Department of Wildlife Management, ADF&G Division of Conservation, (teleconference), National Park Service Gates of the Arctic National Park & Preserve (teleconference), ADF&G Board Support Section

- III. Approval of Agenda: A motion was made by Eli Nukapigak to approve the Agenda. 2nd by Herman Kignak Sr. All in favor.
- IV. New Business: No new business was added to the Agenda.

BOG or	Manda Proposal	atory- Please Summarize Your Proposal Comments in this Form Proposal Description		
BOF	Number Number Support			
Supports or Opposes?		Number Oppose	Comments/Discussion (list Pros and Cons)/Amendments to Proposal	
BOG			Reauthorize antlerless moose seasons in Unit 26A	
Supports	8	0	This proposal would allow the summer harvest of cow moose in portions of Unit 26A. Moose within this portion of Unit 26A are infrequent and are on the extreme limit of their range. Very few moose are harvested in this hunt but the hunt offers the opportunity for residents of Barrow, Atqasuk, Point Lay and Wainwright to provide food to their communities.	

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BOG or Proposal BOF Number		Proposal Description			
Supports or Opposes?	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments/Discussion (list Pros and Cons)/Amendments to Proposal		
BOG	43	Reauthorize the current resident tag fee exemptions for brown bear in Units 18, 22, 23 and 26A.			
Supports	8	0	Waiving resident tag fees for brown bear will help to encourage the harvest of brown bears		
BOG	202		he caribou regulation for all Game Management Units d with the Western Arctic Caribou Herd and Teshekpuk Caribou		
Supports as Amended	7 (1 not voting)	0	As written, Proposal 202 would not satisfy the nutritional needs of North Slope communities and it does not fit our traditional and cultural hunting practices closely enough. Without amending it, the proposal will result in many of our hunters breaking the law. The following amendments are a result of discussions about the need to conserve the Teshekpuk caribou population from meetings held in Anaktuvuk Pass, Barrow, Atqasuk, Wainwright, and Pt. Lay. The goal of these meetings was to strike a balance between the conservation of caribou, providing food for our communities, and helping to protect our hunters from breaking the law. Amendments: 1) Jan 1 st -March 15 5 caribou a day -no more than three of which can be cows -no calves. 2) March 16 th -July 15 th 5 bulls a day -no cows -no calves 3) July 16 th -October 15 th 5 caribou total per day -no more than three cows per day -no calves -No cows accompanied with calves may be taken		

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			4) October 16th-December 31st 3 caribou total per day -Cows only -No Bulls -No Calves Rationale January to mid-March: Reduce harvest of cow caribou to 3 per day relative to current regulations. Eliminate calf harvest to help haste the recovery of the herd. Allow harvest of up to 5 caribou per day to provide opportunities for communities that were not able to harvest caribou earlier in the year due to changing travel condition (late freeze-up) and variation in caribou distribution. Mid-March to July 15: No cow or calf harvest to help the herd recover. Cows at these times of year are late into their pregnancy and have survived much of the winter season and they are calving and nursing their calves. Allow harvest of up to 5 bull caribou per day to provide opportunities for communities to harvest caribou. July 16 to October 15: Maintain harvest of up to 5 caribou per day but reduce cow harvest to no more than 3 per day, relative to current regulations. Eliminate harvest of calves and cows accompanied by cows to help the herd recover. Allow bull season into October because young bulls enter rut later in the season and freeze-up is occurring later in the fall so allowing bull harvest the first 2 weeks of October will allow hunters to utilize snow machine in early October. October 16 to December 31: Reduce harvest to 3 caribou per day, relative to current regulations, to help the herd recover. Close the bull season because they are in rut at this time of the year. Eliminate the opportunity to harvest calves to help the herd recover.	

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Supports or Opposes?	Number Support	Number Oppose	Comments/Discussion (list Pros and Cons)/Amendments to Proposal	
BOG	203		Hunting seasons and Bag Limits for Dall Sheep	
Supports	8	0	This proposal will help sheep populations to recover in the western Brooks Range and should not impact hunters from North Slope communities.	

Adjournment: A motion was made by Herman Kignak, Sr. to adjourn @ 12:44 pm. 2nd by Lee Kayotuk. All in favor.

Minutes Recorded By: Mike Pederson, Executive Manager

Minutes Approved By: Will be approved at next scheduled meeting (TBD)

Date: 02.12.2015

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PUBLIC NOTICE

TO:

WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

FROM:

Mike Pederson, Executive Manager

NSB Fish & Game Management Committee

DATE:

January 14, 2015

SUBJECT:

UPCOMING NSB FISH & GAME MANAGEMENT

COMMITTEE MEETING

The North Slope Borough Fish & Game Management Committee will be holding its quarterly meeting in Barrow.

The schedule for the meeting is listed below:

DATE & TIME:

February 5, 2015, 9:00 am - 5:00 pm in Barrow

PLACE: NSB Dept. of Wildlife Management Conference

Room

If you have any questions, please call the NSB Department of Wildlife Management Office at 907.852.0350 or e-mail Mr. Pederson at mike.pederson@north-slope.org

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NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH FISH & GAME MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE acting as the ARCTIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

QUARTERLY MEETING February 5, 2015 @ 9:00 am

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	<u>AGENDA</u>
X. CALL TO ORDER	R (Chair – Enoch Oktollik) @ 9'.36am
	of George Blur Kingsx
3. WELCOME & IN	TRODUCTIONS THERE
A. ROLL CALL (Est	ablish a Quorum – 6 members) AGENDA MEN 2rd HY Sc.
5. APPROVAL OF A	GENDA MEN 2rd VI
6. Alaska Departmen	t of Fish & Game Proposals + sypaf
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H ji.	5 AAC 92.015(a)(4), (8), (9) & (13) and 5 AAC 92.015(b)(4), (7) (8) & (10). Re-Authorization of the Brown Bear Tag Fee Exemption – Unit 26 + 43
it in.	5 AAC 85.055(a) (9) (10). Hunting seasons and bag limits for Dall Sheep. Close sheep seasons in areas of severe population decline
7. Caribou Proposals	
M HYSG i.	ADF&G Caribou Proposal
ii.	NSB Proposed hunting season and bag limit changes for the Teshekpuk Caribou Herd (TCH)
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8. ADJOURNMEN	1 6 1244B W 488 200 1X

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