

Animal Damage Management Board Meeting
Thursday, November 1, 2019
Teleconference

Board Members Present:

Co-Chair Doug Miyamoto
Garret Falkenburg
Bob Phillips
Gay Lynn Byrd
Jeff Boner

Ron Cunningham
Kevin Kisicki
Bob Harlan
Shaun Sims

Board Members Absent: Co-Chair Brian Nesvik, Tyler Abbott, Brad Jost, Mike Foster, Sandy Underhill, Sy Gilliland

Support Staff: Jerry Johnson, Kelsey Hart, John Kennedy (for Brian Nesvik), Rod Merrill (for Mike Foster).

Public in attendance: Renee' Lebear, Kristin Combs, Erik Molvar, Lisa Robertson.

9 a.m. Jerry Johnson announced that everyone that was expected to call in was on and that we did have a quorum.

Meeting called to order – Co-Chair Doug Miyamoto 9:01 a.m., Doug asked Jerry Johnson to go over the people that were in attendance and ask if there were any additional people attending that were not mentioned.

Kevin Kisicki made the motion to accept the agenda and Shaun Sims seconded. Agenda was approved.

Doug Asked if there were any additions or corrections to the June 13th minutes, Ron Cunningham made motion to accept the minutes as written, Kevin Kisicki seconded. Motion carried.

Doug then asked for additions or corrections to the August 15th minutes, Shaun Sims made motion to accept the minutes as written, Kevin Kisicki seconded, motion carried.

Doug Asked Jerry to give an update on the joint Ag committee proposed legislative changes to the Wildlife Damage management Stamp funding. Jerry stated that the Bill to increase out of state licenses by \$4 was tabled indefinitely and that the other bill had several changes. Doug stated that other changes were in progress to add a “check box” similar to the rescue fee for online purchases.

Doug added that the board still needed to set the price for the Stamp until legislation is changed and made the motion to keep the price at \$10, Kevin Kisicki seconded motion carried.

Jerry Johnson gave an update to the number of wolves taken and the predation associated with these wolves, he then asked Rod Merrill from Wildlife Services to give a report on the Wolves. Rod stated that the number of wolves taken was down considerably from 30 in FY 2018 to 11 for the FY 2019, he stated that there were three chronic areas, Lincoln Co., Sublette Co. and Hot Springs

County and that the wolves have learned to stay outside the buffer zone for hot pursuit on the Reservation.

Jerry Johnson gave an update on the rebuilding of the Predator education trailer. The trailer was replaced for a total cost of \$10,077.91 and that it was designed to be able to be removed and put in a new trailer if damaged again. This allowed for future replacement to be done easier and at a cheaper cost. Jerry has taken the trailer to the Laramie county Cowbelles Ag Expo and will be attending the Natrona county Cowbelles expo later in November.

Meeting dates for 2020:

January 8th, at 9 a.m. Video Conference at the Game and Fish offices in Cheyenne.

May 12 and 13 at the Game and Fish office in Casper

June 10th and 11th Location TBD

November 2nd 9am Cheyenne Teleconference at WDA.

Doug Miyamoto asked for Public Comment.

Lisa Roberson asked if there could be a mailing list of interested parties added to the meeting agendas and Minutes. It was noted that these will be on the ADMB web site but that Jerry would be willing to add names to an email list if supplied to him by the interested parties.

Erik Molvar asked if the education trailer was used to inform people on the fact that hunting can cause predators to have larger litters, Doug stated the education trailer was used to inform the public about the ADMB's statutory obligations on the State's 7 Predators.

Being no further comments the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.