

MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
MSB Fish and Wildlife Commission
Regular Meeting: February 13, 2025
Assembly Chambers/TEAMS
Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Andy Couch called the meeting to order at 4 pm

II. ROLL CALL – DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

Present:

Andy Couch

Gabe Kitter

Kendra Zamzow

Jim Sykes

Michael Bowles

Marty Van Diest

Peter Probasco

Absent:

Tim Hale

Bill Gamble

III. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

"We acknowledge that we are meeting on traditional lands of the Dena'ina and Ahtna Dene people, and we are grateful for their continued stewardship of the land, fish, and wildlife throughout time immemorial."

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PP moved to approve the agenda; seconded by GK.

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

VI. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

KZ moved to approve the January 9 minutes; seconded by GK.

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

VII. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Dewy Bitler

Jonah Profta

Karlie

Jackson

Stephen Braund
Jason Ortiz
Becca Skjothaug
Jeff Fisher
Jessica Speed
Sue Mauger
Howard Delo
Lindsey Kitter

VIII. STAFF/AGENCY REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

- A. Staff Report/ New Appointees to MSB FWC
- B. Chair's Report
- C. Elections

i. Chairperson

GK nominated AC for chairperson; seconded by JS

AC accepted the nomination

KZ nominated PP for chairperson; seconded by GK

AC rescinded his acceptance for the nomination of chairperson

PP accepted nomination, and the motion passed without objection.

ii. Vice Chairperson

KZ nominated AC for vice chairperson; seconded by GK

The nomination was accepted, and the motion passed without objection.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Deshka Cold Water/Land Designation

GK moved to approve the document to be taken to the assembly; seconded by KZ

PP tabled the resolution discussion until the next meeting; seconded by GK

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

PP and AC to update the resolution

- B. Borough Waterbody Setback Report

GK moved to make MB and MVD advisors to KZ for the waterbody setback advisory board; seconded by PP

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

- C. Report on Board of Game
- D. FWC Game Special Meeting
- E. Report on CAPSIS
- F. Report from workgroup on comments to NOAA

X. NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation on ACWA

GK moved to have the FWC sign the letter of support for the Assembly to accept the AWCA grant funds; seconded by PP

MB objected for a question of discussion.

KZ recommended removing "through active community engagement" from the letter and adding "\$133,500" before "provided by."

No objection to the amendments to the letter

No objection to the letter as amended; motion passed unanimously.

JS moved to extend the meeting to 6:15pm; seconded by

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

B. Participation at Statewide Board of Fisheries meeting March 11 – 16 Egan Convention Center, Anchorage -- Supplemental issues

C. Participation at BOG Statewide Regulations March 21-28 Anchorage

KZ moved to extend the meeting to 6:20pm; seconded by GK

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

XI. MEMBER COMMENTS

XII. NEXT MEETING DATE: March 13, 2025, 4:00-6:00 PM

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

PP moved to adjourn; seconded by GK.

No objection, motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 PM.



Peter Probasco, FWC Chair

4/11/25
Date



Maggie Brown, Planning Division Staff

4/11/25
Date

