

SAN BENITO COUNTY FISH & GAME ADVISORY COMMISSION

Commissioners:

***Gregg Zanella, (Chairman), Robert Scagliotti (Vice-Chairman), David Castro Bruce, Tom Nino,
Tim Scagliotti, Robert Earl Groeling, Scott Adessa, Marty Martinez,
Matt Kirkland, & Marty McCullough***

MINUTES MONDAY JULY 26, 2021 6:00 P.M.

San Benito County Administration Building
Board of Supervisors Chambers
481 Fourth Street, Hollister, California

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Gregg Zanella in the San Benito County Board of Supervisors Chambers, 481 Fourth Street, Hollister, California.

6:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Lead by Chairman Gregg Zanella.
2. **ROLL CALL.** Commissioners McCullough, T. Scagliotti, Adessa, Castro, Nino, Martinez, Zanella, Groeling, and Kirkland were present.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** There were no comments from the public.

REGULAR AGENDA

4. **APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 26, 2021 REGULAR MEETING:**
Motion by Commissioner Groeling and seconded by Commissioner Zanella to approve the minutes as presented. (9/0 vote)
5. **BUDGET REPORT. Receive budget report on status of FY 2020-2021 budget, and the budget for FY 2021-2022:**
The Clerk of the Board presented the budget with a total of \$4,988.55 and provided a copy of the Budget Report to the commissioners.

6. **DISCUSSION ON ZOOM AFTER COVID, LIMITING PUBLIC COMMENT TO INDIVIDUALS PRESENT AT THE MEETING, OR TO CONTINUE WITH HYBRID MEETINGS OFFERING ZOOM FOR STAFF/COMMISSIONERS/AND PRESENTERS AND FIVE STAFF DIRECTION.**

Clerk of the Board Jennifer Frechette presented the options of public comments and meetings on Zoom to the commissioners. She explained that the Board meetings are currently open to the public and there is a possibility that zoom comments would no longer be accepted because the meetings are fully open to the public.

Commissioner Groeling stated he would like Zoom as well as in person.

Commissioner Martinez agreed with Commissioner Groeling.

Clerk of the Board Jennifer Frechette explained to the Commissioners that they also have the option of continuing with the hybrid form of the meeting both on Zoom and in public and later decide if they would like to change it to only Zoom or only in person in the chambers as well.

Commissioner Zanella stated he would like to keep it as a hybrid meeting like it is now.

Public Comment: No comments.

Motion by Commissioner Zanella and seconded by Commissioner Groeling to continue with hybrid meetings offering Zoom. (9/0 vote)

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7. **DISCUSSION AND PRESENTATION FROM COASTAL HABITAT EDUCATION ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION (CHEER) REGARDING THE RIVER AND WILDLIFE:**

President of CHEER, Herman Garcia presented on the nonprofit that was established in 2003. He provided a packet to some of the commissioners that can be found on the CHEER website. He gave background on the nonprofit's history, work, and projects in the watershed community. Mr. Garcia emphasized that they are always looking for collaboration, partners, and help from the community both in person support and monetary support as they need more money for signs and cameras to catch people when they are illegally dumping.

Public Comment: Nate Greig and Anita King.

8. **COMMISSIONER REPORTS:**

There were no commissioner reports.

AGENCY REPORTS

9. **CALIFORNIA FISH AND WILDLIFE:**

Kyle Sommer provided an update. Archery season in A Zone is open now and there have been some issues in southern San Benito County. General season will be opening in a couple of weeks. There was a mountain lion sighting at Brigantino park, but the park is now open.

No questions or comments by the commissioners.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT (BLM):

No one was present.

PINNACLES NATIONAL PARK:

No one was present.

SAN BENITO COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT:

No one was present.

SAN BENITO COUNTY WATER DISTRICT:

No one was present.

10. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

Commissioner Zanella would like to add an agenda item on the next meeting on contributing for signage for CHEER. Commissioner Martinez would gather information from CHEER regarding the signage.

Commissioner Martinez would like to have a discussion to have a rally regarding re-opening the San Justo Reservoir.

Commissioner Zanella stated that the water district had covered the timeline on opening the reservoir and treating Ridgemark.

Clerk of the Board, Jennifer Frechette, suggested having an update on the reopening of San Justo Reservoir at the next meeting.

Commissioners Zanella and Martinez agreed on getting an update at the next meeting.

Commissioner Martinez suggested doing a fundraiser for the Fish and Game Commission so that the commission can accomplish more.

Clerk of the Board, Jennifer Frechette, suggested having a discussion item at the next meeting and invite County Counsel's to get their direction.

Commissioner Zanella agreed.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m. The next regularly scheduled meeting is scheduled to be held on Monday, October 25, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Upon motion duly made by Commissioner Groeling and seconded by Commissioner Adessa moved to adjourn to the October 26, 2021 meeting.

JENNIFER FRECHETTE, CLERK OF THE
BOARD, County of San Benito