

New Mexico State Game Commission New Mexico  
Department of Game and Fish

May 9, 2022

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Meeting Called to Order**

01:02:25 p.m. (00:00:25)

Called to order by Chairwoman Salazar Hickey.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Roll Call**

01:02:49 p.m. (00:00:49)

**Present:** Chairwoman Salazar Hickey, Commissioner Salazar-Henry. **Present virtually:** Commissioner Archuleta, Commissioner Lopez.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Approval of Agenda (Action Item)**

01:06:46 p.m. (00:04:46)

**Motion:** To approve the agenda as written. For the sake of transparency and efficiency under IPRA, the Commission discussed the option of creating record numbers for all matters listed on an agenda under executive session.

**Motion by:** Commissioner Salazar-Henry

**Seconded by:** Chairwoman Salazar Hickey

**Approved:** Unanimously- Chairwoman Salazar Hickey, Commissioner Archuleta, Commissioner Lopez and Commissioner Salazar-Henry.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Approval of Minutes of April 11, 2022, Commission Meeting (Action Item)**

01:07:58 p.m. (00:05:58)

**Motion:** Move to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2022, Commission Meeting.

**Motion by:** Commissioner Salazar-Henry

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Archuleta

**Approved:** Unanimously- Chairwoman Salazar Hickey, Commissioner Archuleta, Commissioner Lopez and Commissioner Salazar-Henry.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Executive Session (Action Item)**

01:08:46 p.m. (00:06:46)

**Motion:** Move to adjourn into executive session, closed to the public, pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(7) NMSA 1978, Attorney-Client Privilege, Litigation Update (Discussion).

**Motion by:** Chairwoman Salazar Hickey

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Salazar-Henry

**Approved:** Approve unanimously by Roll Call: Chairwoman Salazar Hickey, Commissioner Archuleta, Commissioner Lopez and Commissioner Salazar-Henry.

01:37:25 p.m. (00:00:00)

Commissioner Lopez arrived in person during the executive session.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Commission Vice-Chair Selection (Action Item)**

01:38:03 p.m. (00:00:38)

**Motion:** Move to nominate Deanna Archuleta as vice-chair of the State Game Commission.

**Motion by:** Chairwoman Salazar Hickey

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Lopez

**Approved:** Unanimously- Chairwoman Salazar Hickey, Commissioner Archuleta, Commissioner Lopez and Commissioner Salazar-Henry.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Voting Standard for State Game Commission (Action Item)**

01:43:13 p.m. (00:05:48)

The State Game Commission discussed a standard for the number of votes required to act on a motion at any and all Commission meetings. The principal question was whether a motion can be acted on by a majority of the quorum present or whether a minimum of four (4) Commissioners is required for a motion to pass. If the quorum is less than seven and a vote is tied, the subject motion will necessarily fail.

**Motion:** Move that an affirmative vote requires a majority of the quorum present, except those decisions regarding bonding authority under 17-1-18 and those decisions made at hearings under 17-2-5 in its rulemaking authority. Any other issues pertaining to the motions and protocol of its meetings are adhered to under Robert's Rules of Order. Move that this voting standard be documented either in the Open Meeting Act Resolution or another appropriate document as determined at a future meeting and that this standard remain in effect through the end of year or until otherwise amended by the Commission.

**Motion by:** Chairwoman Salazar Hickey

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Salazar-Henry

**Approved:** Approved unanimously by Roll Call: Chairwoman Salazar Hickey, Vice-Chair Archuleta, Commissioner Lopez and Commissioner Salazar-Henry.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: Extending Written Comment Period for Additional Public Input on Bighorn Sheep Per 19.30.17.19 B. NMAC (Action Item)**

02:23:29 p.m. (00:46:04)

The Commission revisited the issue of whether to extend the comment period to discuss alternatives to the current recommendation under 19.30.17.10 B which allows for a comment period extension.

**Motion:** Move that the Director, and his designees, work with the groups that have expressed interest, both for and against the current bighorn sheep proposal, to find a compromise. The Director and his staff will come back to the Commission at the June 3 meeting with the compromise proposal, or an update as to why a compromise could not be obtained. The final Rule Hearing will be held at the August meeting. The Commission will hold a rule hearing in August, and decide at the June 3 on how to move forward.

**Motion by:** Commissioner Salazar-Henry

**Seconded by:** Commissioner Lopez

**Approved:** Approve by roll call vote: Chairwoman Salazar Hickey, Vice-Chair Archuleta, Commissioner Lopez and Commissioner Salazar-Henry.

**AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Adjourn (Action Item)**

03:07:05 p.m. (01:29:40)

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

NEW MEXICO STATE GAME COMMISSION

Monday, May 9, 2022

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Sharon Salazar Hickey, Chair  
New Mexico State Game Commission

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