

EXHIBIT A

July 29, 2021



MINUTES

June 9, 2021

N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission Webinar Meeting Raleigh, North Carolina

Pursuant to North Carolina General Statute (NCGS) §166A-19.20 (Public Bodies/Remote Meetings During Declared Emergencies), the June 9, 2021 N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission (NCWRC) webinar meeting was called to order by Commission Chairman David Hoyle, Jr. at 9:00 a.m.

Chairman Hoyle announced that the webinar meeting audio is being streamed live and will be available on the NCWRC's website. He reminded Commissioners to speak their names before making motions or comments and to mute their devices when not speaking. Chairman Hoyle also announced that by the statutory requirement, the roll will be called for attendance and for each vote.

MANDATORY ETHICS INQUIRY

Chairman Hoyle advised the Commission of the mandatory ethics inquiry as mandated in NCGS §138A-15.

ROLL CALL

Margo Minkler, *Commission Liaison*, called the roll. Nat Harris, Mike Johnson, Wes Seegars, and Hayden Rogers were absent.

COMMISSIONER ATTENDANCE

David Hoyle, Jr.
Monty Crump
Steve Windham
Brad Stanback
Tom Berry
Jim Cogdell
Richard Edwards
Ray Clifton

Kelly Davis
John Coley
John Stone
Mark Craig
Tommy Fonville
Jim Ruffin
Landon Zimmer

VISITORS

Representative Jay Adams
Dr. Doug Meckes
Michael LaVoie
Caleb Hickman
Dr. Mark Ruder
Dr. Jenn Ballard
Dr. Dan Grove
Cale Godfrey

MINUTES OF APRIL 22, 2021 MEETING

By acclamation, the Minutes of the April 22, 2021 meeting were approved as presented in **Exhibit A**.

Exhibit A is incorporated into the official record of this meeting.

CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE (CWD)

Understanding CWD – the Commission received an informational presentation on CWD by Dr. Mark Ruder of Southeastern Cooperative Wildlife Disease Study, University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine.

CWD in Arkansas – the Commission received an informational presentation on the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission’s response to CWD which was first detected in AR in 2016 by *Dr. Jenn Ballard, State Wildlife Veterinarian/Assistant Chief of the Research Division, AGFC*.

CWD in Tennessee – the Commission received an informational presentation on the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency’s response to CWD which was first detected in TN in 2018 by *Dr. Dan Grove, Assistant Professor of Wildlife Health, Univ. of TN, and Wildlife Veterinarian for TWRA*.

CWD in Virginia – the Commission received an informational presentation on the Virginia Department of Wildlife Resources’ response to CWD which was first detected in VA in 2009 and an update on the new confirmed positive in Montgomery County by *Cale Godfrey, Assistant Chief of Wildlife Management, VA DWR*.

WRC CWD Response Plan – the Commission received an informational presentation on the 2021 revisions to the Chronic Wasting Disease Response Plan by *Dr. Jon Shaw, NCWRC Wildlife Management Division Coastal Operations Supervisor*

LAND AND WATER ACCESS DIVISION

Temporary Rulemaking Adoption -15A NCAC 10D .0103 – Hunting on Game Lands

– the Commission reviewed public comments and on a motion by Monty Crump and second by Mark Craig, the Commission adopted temporary amendments to 15A NCAC 10D .0103 game land rules (**Exhibit B-1, B-2**)

Exhibits B-1 and B-2 are incorporated into the official record of this meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Hoyle thanked the special guests and their agencies for the very informative meeting and all their efforts to travel and attend this special meeting.

COMMENTS FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Executive Director Ingram noted his appreciation for the very informative presentations provided by the special guests. He explained the information received is helpful in the Commission's efforts to be proactive in prevention of CWD, including public outreach and education. Ingram also re-emphasized the importance of the Commission's strong relationship with the NC Department of Agriculture working to prevent the introduction of CWD into the state. Lastly, he thanked Commissioners and staff for preparing for and attending this special meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the WRC webinar meeting was adjourned at 2:30 p.m.
All exhibits are incorporated into the official record of this meeting by reference and are filed with the minutes.



David Hoyle, Jr., Chairman 07/29/2021
Date



Cameron Ingram, Executive Director 07/29/2021
Date