



ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD AND
ARIZONA GAME AND FISH COMMISSION
NINA MASON PULLIAM RIO
SALADO AUDUBON CENTER
AUGUST 2, 2012
MINUTES



Board Members Present

Walter D. Armer, Jr., Chairman; Maria Baier, Vice-Chair; Kay Daggett; Alan Everett; Larry Landry; William C. Scalzo; Tracey Westerhausen

Commission Members Present

Norman W. Freeman, Chairman; Jack F. Husted, Vice-Chair; John W. Harris; Robert E. Mansell; Kurt R. Davis

Arizona State Parks Staff Members Present

Bryan Martyn, Executive Director; Kent Ennis, Deputy Director; Jay Ream, Deputy Director, Parks and Development

Arizona Game and Fish Department Staff Members Present

Larry D. Voyles, Director; Gary R. Hovatter, Deputy Director; Bob Broscheid, Deputy Director

Attorney General's Office

Laurie Hachtel, Assistant Attorney General; Jim Odenkirk, Assistant Attorney General; Linda Pollock, Assistant Attorney General

AGENDA

(Agenda items may be taken in any order unless set for a time certain)

A. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL – Time Certain: 1:00 PM

This meeting was a special joint meeting between the Arizona Game and Fish Commission and the Arizona State Parks Board. Chairman Freeman called the meeting to order.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Armer led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. INTRODUCTIONS OF COMMISSION AND BOARD MEMBERS AND AGENCY STAFF

The Commission, Board members and staff introduced themselves.

D. OPENING REMARKS

1. Arizona Game and Fish
2. Arizona State Parks

Sarah Porter, Executive Director, Audubon Arizona, welcomed the Arizona Game and Fish Commission and the Arizona State Parks Board to the Nina Mason Pulliam Rio Salado Audubon Center.

Chairman Freeman and Chairman Armer expressed their appreciation for the opportunity to have this joint meeting to discuss several topics of common interest.

Kevin Kinsall, Governor's Policy Advisor, Natural Resources, provided an update on one of the Governor's projects, the Arizona Experience website (arizonaexperience.org). He invited the Commissioners and the Board members to visit the website. The purpose of the website is to educate school children and help them learn about Arizona.

- E. CALL TO THE PUBLIC** – Those wishing to address the Board and/or Commission must register at the door and be recognized by the Chair. Presentation time may be limited to three minutes at the discretion of the Chair; the Chair may limit a presentation to one person per organization. The Board or Commission may direct staff to study or reschedule any matter for a future meeting.

Janice Miano, Director, Arizona Heritage Alliance, expressed appreciation for this joint meeting and provided a brief update on Arizona Heritage Alliance activities.

Jeff Williamson, representing the Children of Nature Network, provided a brief update on the Children of Nature Network activities.

F. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Director Martyn introduced and facilitated the discussion items as follows:

1. Review of Current Cooperative Agreements between the Arizona Game and Fish Commission and the Arizona State Parks Board

Arizona State Parks and the Arizona Game and Fish Department currently have many cooperative agreements and work together for a common goal. Some of those projects are the Arizona Watchable Wildlife, Off-Highway Vehicle Program and stocking lagoons at some of the parks.

2. Discussion of Potential, Future Cooperation and Agreements

Discussion included possible joint education and marketing outreach efforts. Potential ideas included Arizona State Parks cabins being marketed as hunting cabins during certain seasons, and/or joint efforts in youth hunting education programs and fishing clinics with possible fees waived for special events.

3. Future Management Opportunities for Lyman Lake, Alamo Lake and Roper Lake

These State Parks stayed open during the height of difficult economic times because of the way the Arizona State Parks and the Arizona Game and Fish Department worked together to build a multi-dimensional partnership with the local communities. All three of these Parks would have closed, so there is a track record of accomplishment from working together.

4. Future Developments and How to Support
 - a) Contact Point, Marina Development at Lake Havasu State Park

Contact Point is a marina development at Lake Havasu for Arizona State Parks. There will be many funding opportunities provided there in the future. The Arizona Game and Fish Department will see a much more robust relationship with the Arizona State Park at Contact Point.

5. Hunting, Fishing and Off-Highway Vehicle Recreational Opportunities on State Parks

Arizona State Parks will be enhancing its relationship with the Off-Highway Vehicle community. Part of that will be partnering with the community on those State Parks where it makes sense to authorize and promote Off-Highway Vehicle usage.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Armer motioned to adjourn. Chairman Freeman seconded the motion. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 2:47pm.

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Walter D. Armer, Jr., Chairman



Bryan Martyn, Executive Director

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