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STAFF REPORT
BOARD MEETING DATE: October 8, 2019

DATE: September 11, 2019

TO: Board of County Commissioners

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THROUGH: Dave Solaro, Interim County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to appoint two (2) candidates from a pool of applicants including: Jim Rhea and Meghan Ochs to fill the position of general public and reappoint Arnold Pitts and Steven Robinson on the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife, with a term effective October 9, 2019 through June 30, 2022. (All Commission Districts.) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

SUMMARY

On June 30, 2019 three members of the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife expired. The Board did approve extensions of those members through October 1, 2019. Staff is recommending reappointment for the two (2) members who represent wildlife and one (1) from individuals from the current list of applicants for the general public position.

Department Strategic Objective supported by this item: Regional and Community Leadership

PREVIOUS ACTION

August 23, 2016 the Board reappointed Mile Humphreys, Catherine Smith and William Tamblyn for terms to expire on June 30, 2019.

June 23, 2015 the Board reappointed Michelle Spencer and Sean Shea with terms to expire on July 1, 2018.

June 17, 2014 the Board appointed William Tamblyn with a term to expire on June 30, 2016.

March 26, 2014 John Reed resigned from his position on the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife. The Board appointed Catherine Smith to fill that unexpired term to June 30, 2016.

August 27, 2013 the Board reappointed Mr. John Reed and appointed Mr. Miles

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Humphreys Jr. with terms to expire July 1, 2016.

June 26, 2012 the Board appointed Mr. Sean Shea and Ms. Michelle Spencer with terms to expire July 1, 2015.

May 24, 2011 the Board reappointed Mr. Rex Flowers with a term to expire July 1, 2014.

June 22, 2010 the Board reappointed Daryl Harwell to a second term to expire June 30, 2013 and appointed John Reed with a term to expire on June 30, 2013.

BACKGROUND

Per NRS 50L.265 and 50I.270, individuals appointed must be citizens of Nevada and bona fide residents of the county from which appointed and be hunters, trappers or anglers or engaged in ranching or farming in the county. Members are appointed upon recommendation of the organized sportsmen and residents of Washoe County advising of the recruitment through the Washoe County website and related press release.

Effective July 1, 2013 per AB168 passed by the Legislature, membership of each county advisory board to manage wildlife to include one qualified member who represents the interest of the general public. Applications have been received from two (2) individuals:

Mr. Jim Rhea

Ms. Meghan Ochs

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with the Board of Commissioners.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of County Commissioners to appoint two (2) candidates from a pool of applicants including: Jim Rhea and Meghan Ochs to fill the position of general public and reappoint Arnold Pitts and Steven Robinson on the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife, with a term effective through June 30, 2022.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board of County Commissioners agree to the recommendation, a possible motion would be:

"Move appoint [selected applicants] to fill the vacant seat for the general public and reappoint Steven Robinson and Arnold Pitts on the Washoe County Advisory Board to Manage Wildlife, with a term effective October 9, 2019 through June 30, 2022."