AGENDA

NEBRASKA GAME AND PARKS COMMISSION Broken Bow Public Library Meeting Room 626 South D Street Broken Bow NE Friday, October 21, 2022

8:00 AM

- 1. Minutes of the meeting held August 31, 2022
- 2. Financial vouchers for August & September
- 4. Director's Report
- 5. 8:30 AM public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 3, Boating Regulations, Section 003 Equipment Standards to update current regulations to conform with federal law regarding changing language from life preservers to personal flotation devices approved by the US Coast Guard, changing language from boat to vessel and clarifying language on what constitutes overloading of a vessel.
- 6. 8:45 AM public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 3, Boating Regulations, Section 012 Waters with Special Restrictions by adding a 5 mph/no wake regulation from sundown to sunrise on Lake 15 (Victory Lake) and Lake 10 at Fremont Lakes. Add language limiting the number towable devices for water sports pulled by a motorboat or personal watercraft to one at Fremont Lakes SRA on Lake 15 (Victory Lake) and Lake 10. Add Lake at Bridgeport SRA to Sub-section 012.08. Add language clarifying that non-powered vessels and those powered by outboard electric motors are not allowed to operate at Fremont Lakes SRA on Lake 15 (Victory Lake) and Lake 10. Add an exemption for NGPC and other governmental agencies working in their official capacity.
- 7. 9:00 AM public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 3, Boating Regulations, Section 15, Special Rules and Regulations for Non-public Lake Associations by deleting redundant language and correcting errors, removing 015.02R through subpart 015.02R5 in regard to Villa Springs per their HOA request. Add language for the Sanitary and Improvement District No. 177 (Riverside Lakes, East Lake) Douglas County to this section from Section 12.
- 8. 9:15 AM public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 2, Fisheries regulations, Section 010 Special Fishing Permits to simplify public access to forms for the permitting and renewal process by making them available online and at permitting offices.
- 9. 9:30 AM public hearing at its October meeting to consider amendments to Chapter 4,

Wildlife Regulations, Section 001 General Wildlife Regulations Governing Wildlife Species to allow for hunters applying for non-resident archery antelope permits to earn or buy a preference point, clarify language for the time limits to check a turkey, clarify that all antelope may be checked via the internet or telephone, and allows canceling and checking of an electronic turkey permit on a mobile device beginning in spring 2023.

- 10. 9:45 AM public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 4, Wildlife Regulations, Section 003. Antelope, Deer, and Elk adding language to include the Pine Ridge Mule Deer Conservation Area permit to the list of draw units. Add the non-resident antelope archery permit to the list of antelope permits that are draw units, and allow non-resident archery antelope hunters to either apply for a preference point or the archery permit.
- 11. 10:00 AM public hearing at the October Commission meeting to consider amendments to Fisheries C006 Sportfish regarding daily bag limits, possession limits, length limits, and open areas. Update the water bodies that have a minimum length limit of 21 inches on Black Bass. Redefine boundary designation between the Republican River and Harlan County Reservoir for size and/or bag limits for Channel Catfish and Walleye, Sauger and Saugeye. Add an additional lake to the no harvest of Northern Pike. Establish special size restriction for Bluegill, Redear and Crappie for Flanagan Lake. Update restriction for Lonergran Creek and Otter Creek at Lake McConaughy.
- 12. Public Comment Period
- 13. The 2023-2027 Recruitment Retention and Reactivation Plan provides goals, objectives and strategies that will guide the Commission for the next five years to engage outdoor participants in all the opportunities that we provide in the state of Nebraska. Staff recommends approval of the 2023-2027 Recruitment Retention and Reactivation Plan.
- 14. Staff recommendation to approve the 2023 Commission meeting schedule
- 15. Kearney Whitewater Report
- 16 Capital Maintenance Fund Report
- 17. Fall Season In Parks
- 18. Committee Reports
- 19. Executive Session
- 20. Adjourn