

2/13/2020 - Minutes

1. Call To Order, Those Present, Flag Salute

Meeting called to order at 10:00 a.m.

Members present: Commissioner Donnie Boyd, Paul Lewis, Lyndon Kerns, Ralph Opp, Chris O'Grady

Members Absent: Jim Gansberg, Anne Wenner

2. Agenda Deletions/Additions

One addition;

USF&W Wolf delisting.

3. Wolf Update - Tom Collom

OR 54 was found dead in Shasta County. She was the female that left the OR-7 pack and was collared. She was documented travelling over 8700 miles.

Potential wolf activity in the Upper Williamson.

Wolves may be in Silver Lake area and seem to be travelling in a pair.

This years count for Oregon is due out very soon.

Tom also stated there are 3 Wolf Biologists hired for the State. There is a high hope that they will be able to get more wolves collared in the future.

OR7 pack did not have any documented pups this year.

4. Wolf Depredation Compensation Discussion

There was one depredation spring of 2019 in Fort Klamath owned by DeTar Livestock. After much discussion the group agreed to ask for depredation reimbursement of \$876.00 in the 2020 ODA Grant. The steer was 730 lbs and was valued at \$1.20/lb.

Commissioner Boyd suggested it would be very beneficial to ask for grant funds for education. This could include pamphlets and a work-shop.

Group discussion on 2020 Grant Funds are as follows:

Compensation \$876.00

Alyssa (Range Rider) \$7,000.00

Education \$4,000.00

Total request from ODA = 11,876.00

Motion made by Dayle Robnette, seconded by Lyndon Kerns motion passed.

5. Group Discussion / Future Topics

Paul Lewis spoke about the value of guard dogs, the different breeds and how valuable they may be in the right setting. The problem with Fort Klamath is that the pastures are smaller and the cattle typically all leave in the winter time. Dogs are best if they bond with the cattle full time. Paul did state that maybe the committee would provide funds for guard dogs in later applications.

There are a number of guard dog studies and it may be beneficial to have an educational session on the different dogs.

6. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.