

MINUTES

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION

DECEMBER 6, 2007

Lansing Center
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Lansing

PRESENT FOR THE NRC

Keith Charters, Chairman, Traverse City
Frank Wheatlake, Vice-Chairman, Big Rapids
Mary Brown, Kalamazoo
Hurley J. Coleman, Jr., Saginaw
Darnell Earley, Lansing/Saginaw
John Madigan, Munising
J. R. Richardson, Ontonagon

PRESENT FOR STAFF

Peter Manning, Legal Counsel
Dennis Fox, Chief of Staff
Dennis Fedewa, Chief Deputy
Arminda Koch, Resource Management Deputy
Jim Ekdahl, UP Field Deputy
Other DNR Staff

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Chairman Charters called the Committee of the Whole meeting of the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) to order at 3:00 p.m.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION

Sgt. Steve Lischalk and Staff Sargent Ross Dean, U.S. Army, Operation Iraqi Freedom, presented a plaque to Parks and Recreation Division staff to thank them for efforts and donations to their battalion while deployed in Iraq. Specifically they thanked Pauline Grant and Ann Bengel who took charge of mailings to the troops.

DEER SEASON UPDATE

Doug Reeves, Acting Wildlife Division Chief, presented a preliminary 2007 firearm deer harvest estimate. In the Upper Peninsula, both the buck harvest and antlerless harvest were up slightly. In the northern Lower Peninsula (LP), the buck harvest was down from last year and the antlerless harvest was up slightly. In the southern Lower Peninsula, both the buck harvest and antlerless harvest were down. Statewide, the firearm deer harvest was down approximately five percent from last year. Indications are that hunter satisfaction is good. Mr. Reeves noted that these numbers are very preliminary; a hunter harvest mail survey will be sent to random hunters in January, 2008 and there are still opportunities to hunt. Muzzleloading season opens soon.

Tom Courchaine, Acting Assistant Law Enforcement Division Chief, noted there were no officer safety issues during the firearm deer hunting season. Officers noticed an increase of young hunters in the field. A majority of the reported violations were related to tagging, transporting of firearms, baiting, illegal deer, etc., with very few complaints about wolves in the UP. The most noticeable trend in enforcement is the increase in baiting with 164 baiting arrests in the bovine tuberculosis (TB) core area. There were 16 hunter casualties, 2 of which were fatal and 14 non-fatal.

Commissioner Madigan questioned if there was a reduction in UP hunters shooting spikehorns? **Doug Reeves** responded that the behavior of hunters is changing and some choose not to shoot spikehorns.

Bobcat Appellate Court Decision

Pat Spitzley, Chief, Office of Legal Services, reported that on November 20, 2007 the Michigan Court of Appeals overturned a lower court's ruling. The Circuit Court had issued an injunction against an NRC order establishing a northern Lower Peninsula bobcat trapping season from December 10 through December 20. The Michigan Bear Hunter's Association has 42 days from the Court of Appeals decision to appeal the ruling. The injunction issued in the Lower Court still stands until the Court of Appeals decision becomes effective, preventing a bobcat trapping season for 2007.

Kennecott Land Use Lease

Lynne Boyd presented an overview of the Kennecott Mines issue as follows:

Action by the DNR Director on the mining reclamation plan is required under the existing minerals lease #00602, which spells out elements required. Action on the surface use lease for 120 acres in Michigamme Township is proposed to be utilized for mining operations. This issue was discussed at the November 8, 2007 NRC Policy Committee on Land Management meeting.

The applicable NRC Policy reads: It shall be the policy of the Natural Resources Commission to manage State-owned minerals in a manner that protects and enhances the public trust. Surface and mineral ownership may be consolidated when it is in the best interests of the State. Minerals shall be developed in an orderly manner to optimize revenue consistent with other public interest and natural resource values.

Ms. Boyd reviewed the mining and reclamation plan as required under the metallic mineral lease.

Part 5 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act (NREPA), MCL 324.502(3), provides authority to lease minerals. MCL 324.502(2) provides authority to lease lands controlled by the DNR to any person for any purpose that the DNR determines to be necessary to implement Part 5 of the NREPA.

Currently, Michigan has 3,500 acres of nonmetallic leases covering up to 474 acres with seven to 10 year terms with extension possibilities; 800,000 acres of oil and gas leases where once production occurs, the lease in place until production ceases and wells are plugged; and 55,000 acres of metallic leases with historic 40-year leases.

In the Kennecott case, review of the surface use lease was completed in December 2006 pending receipt of the required permits. The Land Exchange Review Committee (LERC) review and approval was completed in January 2007. Following that, the lease was drafted, negotiations occurred with Kennecott, and Attorney General approval was obtained. The draft lease was posted for public review in February 2007. Five public meetings were held jointly with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) in September 2007. The public comment period closed on October 17, 2007. Hundreds of comments were received and reviewed and the DNR continues to receive and review comments received after October 17, 2007. Public input has been sought through many different avenues on this controversial issue. Ms. Boyd summarized comments received.

The lease has been posted on the DNR web site and is kept up to date as revisions have been made due to comments received. This will be placed on the January 2008 NRC Agenda for Director's approval or denial.

Staff is recommending approval of the surface use lease and the mining and reclamation plan.

Commissioner Madigan questioned if this is the best use of resources and the best safeguards for the environment provided? **Ms. Boyd** responded yes.

Chairman Charters questioned whether \$4000 for inspection costs is enough to actually cover the cost of the work. **Ms. Boyd** noted that this is not the environmental inspection and \$4,000 would cover the DNR's costs.

Ms. Boyd noted that the mine owners have the responsibility of reclaiming the property if the lease is cancelled. **Chairman Charters** noted that the onus is on Kennecott to provide additional information as requested by the DNR on this issue if it is to go before the Director for action on January 10, 2008.

Commissioner Coleman noted that it is very important to educate the public on this proposal and the process surrounding it.

Director's Action Items

Mindy Koch, Resource Management Deputy, reported that Director Humphries was unable to attend today's meeting due to a family emergency. Director Humphries will review the meeting tapes and act on the Director's Action Items accordingly. (Following review of the meeting tapes, Director Humphries signed all Director's Action Items on the Agenda on 12/12/2007.)

Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Board (MNRTFB) Grants

Chairman Charters (who also serves on the MNRTFB) noted that the MNRTFB approved acquisition and development grants at its meeting on December 5. He distributed a list of those actions. **Commissioners Coleman and Madigan** appreciated acquisitions for the urban areas and the UP, respectively.

The Committee of the Whole meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m. and the Public Appearances portion of the NRC meeting convened at 4:30 p.m.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Jeannie Aten, Chelsea
Edward Bergenham, Michigan Trappers Association
Kay Cumbon, Citizens for Alternatives to Chemical Contamination
Jack Floyd, 6th Grader
Tom Freeman, Washtenaw County Parks, Natural Areas Preservation Program
Brad Garmon, Michigan Environmental Council
Nancy Moran, Landowner in Marquette County near the Yellow Dog Watershed
Roberta Noss
Cynthia Pryor, Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve
Marvin Roberson, Macinac Chapter, Sierra Club
Kenneth Stoltz, Licensed Commercial Trapper
Mac Taylor
Mark Velthouse, Chairman, Accessibility Advisory Council
Stas Yascolt, Pinconning

Marvin Roberson, Mackinac Chapter, Sierra Club, urged denial of the request from Kennecott Minerals for a long-term surface lease in Marquette County. He stated Kennecott has ownership of private minerals and lease of state minerals in the area under consideration for lease, recommended a comprehensive analysis of lands for lease be done, and recommended responses prepared by Kennecott should be reviewed by all so public comment can be made.

Mac Taylor believes that firearm hunting should not be allowed on any parcels less than 10 acres.

Cynthia Pryor, Yellow Dog Watershed Preserve, lives near the area where Kennecott would locate the sulfide mines and opposes the proposal because she believes it would be detrimental to the environment and the ecosystem. She recommended that Kennecott locate their mines on their own land rather than on state land. She urged the DNR to deny issuing permits until all permits are available.

Brad Garmon, Michigan Environmental Council, (commenting on behalf of Michelle Halley, National Wildlife Federation) addressed a few points regarding the proposed Kennecott mining lease: 1. The US Environmental Protection Agency underground injection control permit directly impacts surface land; 2. He encouraged staff to review additional information about the affected area; 3. Finances for this proposal are still under scrutiny, and \$4,000 for monitoring is too low. He asked that the DNR continue to pursue financial insurance on the proposal.

Kenneth Stoltz, Licensed Commercial Trapper, believes that rules and regulation are the way to control turtle populations and opposes banning commercial harvest of turtles. He has not seen a decline in snapping turtle populations. He agreed to meet with Fisheries Division staff to discuss this issue further.

PARTNERS IN CONSERVATION AWARD - JOE JOHNSON

Mindy Koch presented the Partners in Conservation Award to **Mr. Joe Johnson** on behalf of Director Humphries. Joe is now retired from Michigan State University's Kellogg Biological Station as a research wildlife biologist after 48 years. During his tenure at the Biological Station, he assisted the Department with many projects including the restoration of trumpeter swans and the successful return of Canada geese to Michigan. As a result of his research on waterfowl populations in Michigan, he was able to provide recommendations to the Department regarding regulations that expanded hunting opportunities while allowing the birds to expand their range. In addition, his work provided information that supported the early and late goose seasons in Michigan. Mr. Johnson was also responsible for initiating a deer hunt at the Kellogg Biological Station to address the problem of an overabundant deer herd.

Mr. Johnson's career also centered around education. Natural resource education for the public and students was, and is, very important to him. His natural ability to communicate with people of all ages and backgrounds has helped thousands of people understand and appreciate wildlife and habitats. He has served as a mentor to many young people who have since become successful in their wildlife careers.

The Joe Johnson Fellowship Fund was established by the Kellogg Biological Station to honor Joe's lifetime dedication to wildlife conservation and education.

Ms. Koch thanked him for all his hard work and for committing so much of his life to conservation and presented him with a white pine plaque recognizing him for his accomplishments.

Mr. Johnson thanked the DNR for this award and said it has been a pleasure to have been paid for doing what otherwise would have been his hobby.

PUBLIC APPEARANCES (continued)

Tom Freeman, Washtenaw County Parks, Natural Areas Preservation Program, commented that Land Transaction Case #20060319, Sale of Surplus State owned Land, Washtenaw County is a great addition to Washtenaw County.

Kay Cumbon, Citizens for Alternatives to Chemical Contamination, questioned if the public comment period was open or closed relative to the proposed Kennecott surface lease. She said it should not be public policy for the NRC or DNR to grant the use of public lands for for-profit use. She reiterated comments made earlier by the Sierra Club, Michigan Environmental Council and the Yellow Dog Watershed as being opposed to the proposed lease. She also requested that the fisheries and Lake Superior be protected and urged denial of the proposed lease.

Edward Bergenham, Michigan Trappers Association, believes the model being used to estimate turtle populations but requested postponement of the decision on the trapping regulations until more comment can be made.

Mark Velthouse, Chairman, Accessibility Advisory Council, said there are many disabled individuals who are not aware of the opportunities available to them. He wants to get this information out so many can enjoy these opportunities. He reviewed some of the activities that disabled individuals are doing on state land.

Jeannie Aten, Chelsea, opposed the proposed Kennecott lease on state land.

Nancy Moran, Landowner in Marquette County near the Yellow Dog Watershed, requested that the proposed Kennecott lease be denied. She supports this land being used for recreation purposes instead.

Stas Yascolt, Pinconning, opposed the proposed Kennecott lease on State land.

Roberta Noss, opposes the proposed Kennecott mine in the UP due to the potential for pollution.

Jack Floyd, 6th Grader, said he would like to see the Kennecott mine in the UP but does not want pollution to occur as a result of this mine.

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The Public Appearances portion of the meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m. and the Regular Meeting of the NRC convened at 5:30 p.m.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 8, 2007 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION MEETING

Commissioner Madigan made a motion, supported by Commissioner Earley, for approval. Motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Madigan expressed concern with the DNR sale of surplus land in Washtenaw County (Land Transaction Case #20060319) saying the purchase price of slightly over \$1,000 per acres was low. Staff responded that it was determined that the parcels were outside the boundaries of the Waterloo Recreation Area and the revenue would be deposited into the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund (LEFF) to purchase replacement land in the DNR project boundaries. He also expressed concern for allowing land purchases or sales to occur that did not allow hunting and fishing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

NRC Policy Committee On Parks And Recreation

The NRC Policy Committee on Parks and Recreation met on December 6, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. at the Lansing Center, Lansing. Commissioners Coleman (Committee Chair), Brown and Richardson were present for the Committee. Commissioners Charters, Earley, Madigan and Wheatlake were also present. (See attached meeting minutes.)

On November 28, 2007, the Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks (CCMSP) adopted a resolution/proposal from the DNR Parks and Recreation Division regarding a

license plate fee proposal as a sustainable funding option for Michigan's state parks and recreation system, state forest campground and pathway system, and the local park system. All of these systems complement each other and state-owned natural resources, but suffer from a lack of sufficient funding to support annual infrastructure renovations, replacements, repairs, maintenance and staffing.

Since July 9, 2007, a total of 50 state forest campgrounds have been closed (20 in July; an additional 30 in October), maintenance on all state forest pathways and grooming on 16 state forest cross-country ski pathways has ceased. The state park and recreation system is also facing a critical deficit in this fiscal year's budget, with an estimated \$5.3 million projected deficit in fiscal year 2009. If this deficit is not resolved by October 1, 2008, it will result in the closure of up to 37 state parks and recreation areas and 8 interpretive centers, including a reduction in staffing state parks and recreation areas. The lack of infrastructure funding, approximately \$38 million annually, will also result in the continued erosion of all state park and recreation facilities and amenities.

This proposal would eliminate the existing Michigan state park resident motor vehicle permit (MVP) and the existing Michigan boating access site (BAS) permit, and replace them with a proposed, annual "*State Park, Boating Access Site and Forest Recreation Passport*." All Secretary of State licensed, passenger-type vehicles, non-commercial vehicles, and motorcycles, including recreational vehicles, sport utility vehicles, and pickup trucks, would pay an annual, per vehicle registration fee (\$9 per each registered passenger vehicle; \$4.50 per each registered motorcycle) that would provide access to **all** Michigan state parks and recreation areas, boating access facilities, and state forest campgrounds and pathways. However, non-resident motor vehicle fees and camping fees would still apply.

The CCMSPP Chair, Murdock Jemerson, presented this resolution/proposal to the newly formed Natural Resources Commission (NRC) Policy Committee on State Parks and Recreation at their first meeting on December 6, 2007, asking for their support in endorsing and moving this proposal forward to the Governor and the Legislature. Commissioner Mary Brown motioned to adopt and endorse this resolution/proposal and move it forward to the Governor and the Legislature; Commissioner J. R. Richardson seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously adopted and the Policy Committee chair will carry it forward to the NRC Committee of the Whole for endorsement and adoption. Details are highlighted in the Policy Committee's Minutes (attached).

Commissioner Coleman made a motion, supported by Commissioner Brown, for NRC endorsement of the long-term, sustainable funding plan by creating a "*State Park, Boating Access Site and Forest Recreation Passport*" program and moving this proposal forward to the Governor and the Legislature. Motion unanimously carried.

NRC Policy Committee On Wildlife And Fisheries

The Committee met on December 6, 2007 at 2:15 p.m. Commissioners Madigan (Committee Chair), Earley and Charters were present for the Committee. Commissioners Coleman, Brown, Richardson and Wheatlake were also present. See the attached minutes from the meeting.

Crossbow Disability Work Group

Chairman Charters announced the establishment of the Crossbow Disability Work Group. This Work Group will be developed as a sub-group of the NRC Policy Committee on Wildlife and Fisheries Chaired by Commissioner Madigan. The charge of the Work Group reads as follows:

Establish a work group to review and update the Crossbow permitting program to meet the increasing needs of the disabled hunter. With the aging population and decreasing numbers of hunters, the goal is to retain hunters through increasing accessibility opportunities.

The Crossbow Disability Work Group will consider the following:

1. The current permit process is restrictive for seniors and disabled hunters, who have less than an 80 percent permanent disability, from archery hunting at a time when the DNR is losing hunters.
2. The current permit guidelines are often misinterpreted or not understood by both physicians and physical therapists. The group may create a standardized form for testing criteria as well as a system for education and dissemination of information to the medical community.
3. The current permit criterion is not inclusive of other disabilities that cannot be measured by the physical therapist guidelines. There is a large population with disabilities that prevent a person from using a regular bow. Conditions such as heart attacks, cancer, diabetes, birth defects and lower back injuries can leave a person 80 percent disabled but cannot be measured by the criteria currently used.
4. The current permit guidelines are not inclusive of temporary disabilities that may occur, such as accidents, broken bones and surgery.
5. Evaluate what other states may be doing to accommodate the use of a crossbow for hunters with disabilities and the impact on the natural resources that may have occurred. With this information, develop a program that will improve accessibility with the least detrimental impact on natural resources of our state.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Wheatlake met with legislators regarding budget issues. He also was a successful deer hunter harvesting an eight point buck and a doe, and continues to bird hunt.

Commissioner Earley deer hunted in Crawford County where he hunted with his father many years ago. He thanked Elaine Carlson, DNR Wildlife, for providing him with maps and guidance of where to hunt in that area.

Commissioner Richardson hunted deer in the UP. He announced his retirement from the forest products industry and looks forward to working in his new capacity in the power industry.

Commissioner Madigan had a good hunting season and a great time.

Chairman Charters met with legislators regarding budget issues and had great deer and grouse hunting seasons.

The NRC meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

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NRC POLICY COMMITTEE ON PARKS AND RECREATION

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Hurley Coleman, Chair
Mary Brown
J. R. Richardson

PRESENT FOR STAFF

Dennis Fox, Chief of Staff
Dennis Fedewa, Chief Deputy
Mindy Koch, Resource Management Deputy
Chuck Nelson, Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks (CCMSP)
Murdock Jemerson, Chairman, CCMSP
Other DNR Staff

Chairman Coleman called the committee meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

Appointment of Committee Member

NRC Chairman Charters appointed Commissioner J.R. Richardson as a Committee member.

NRC Policy Committee on Parks and Recreation

The Committee charge was reviewed as follows:

- Provide a coordinating role for the NRC regarding public outdoor park and recreation policy development, planning and other related issues as appropriate;
- Provide a direct link with the DNR's established advisory groups to the NRC regarding policy, planning, and issues associated with public outdoor park and recreation services.

The Advisory Groups include:

- Citizens Committee for Michigan State Parks
- Forest Management Advisory Committee
- Off-Road Vehicle Trails Advisory Board
- Snowmobile Advisory Committee
- Waterways Commission
- Michigan Recreation and Parks Association
- Other established, formal advisory groups providing public input on DNR recreational opportunities

Chairman Coleman stated for clarification, when outdoor parks and recreation is discussed this is not exclusive to the Parks and Recreation Division - - it is outdoor parks issues and outdoor recreation issues.

Commissioner Brown made a motion, supported by Commissioner Richardson, to add the Waterways Commission and the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association to the advisory groups listed in the policy. Motion carried.

Citizen Committee on Michigan State Parks (CCMSP) - Presentation

Murdock Jemerson discussed the challenges addressed in the proposal for a long-term funding solution for state parks and recreation areas. **Chuck Nelson** presented Resolution No. 11-2007-01 to the committee on behalf of the Parks and Recreation Division and the Forest, Mineral and Fire Management Division.

Discussion was held on the resolution of the CCMSP to eliminate the Michigan State Motor Vehicle Permit (MVP) and Boating Access Site Permit (BAS) and improve funding for Michigan state parks and other Michigan outdoor recreation venues.

Murdock Jemerson requested that the NRC Policy Committee present the resolution to the NRC.

Commissioner Brown made a motion, supported by Commissioner Richardson, to forward the resolution to the NRC with support from the NRC Policy Committee. Motion carried.

CCMSP Resolution No. 11-2007-02

Murdock Jemerson reviewed accepted this resolution supporting adequate funding for the DNR as adopted by the CCMSP at its November 28, 2007 meeting.

State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP)

Chuck Nelson gave a presentation on the SCORP. Public Law 88-578 established the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) in 1964. The law created a federal funding source for both federal acquisition of park and recreation lands and matching grants to states, and through states to local governments, for outdoor recreation planning, land acquisition and development. It also set requirements for state outdoor recreation planning, requiring each participating state to have a state comprehensive outdoor recreation plan (SCORP). The state administrator in Michigan for LWCF monies and the SCORP is the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (DNR). The SCORP addresses:

- the supply of Michigan outdoor recreation resources (local, state and federal)
- the demand/need for outdoor recreation
- existing initiatives to include under the SCORP
- 2008-12 directions/initiatives to meet demand including a wetlands conservation priority
- implementation program

The new SCORP (2008-12) updates and replaces the most recent Michigan SCORP (2003-07). During the period 2003 - 2006, Michigan has received \$12.6 million in LWCF appropriations from the federal government. The state has allocated 56% of these funds to local units and 44% to the state. All LWCF monies were spent on the development of outdoor recreation facilities.

Michigan's 2008-12 SCORP builds on the solid foundation of Michigan's past record with the LWCF to invest in outdoor recreation in a sustainable manner. It also reflects the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) commitment to the conservation, protection, management, use and enjoyment of the state's natural resources for current and future generations. The full 2008-12 Draft SCORP is available on the DNR web site at: www.michigan.gov/dnr under "Spotlight."

The meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.

NRC POLICY COMMITTEE ON WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

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The meeting convened at 2:15 pm. Commissioners Madigan (Committee Chair), Earley and Charters were present for the Committee. Commissioners Coleman, Brown, Richardson and Wheatlake were also present.

Mike Bailey, Wildlife Division, presented a recommended technical amendment to this year's falconry season. The Federal framework allows this season to be open for 107 days. When the season was set in August, the extra day in February due to leap year was not included. Therefore, the season must end on March 9, 2008 instead of March 10, 2008. The 101 falconers with Michigan permits will be notified of the change.

Rod Clute, Wildlife Division, provided a historical overview of how the deer hunting season for disabled individuals was established. It began in 2002, and occurs the third weekend in October on private land statewide. To participate in this hunt, participants must receive a permit to hunt from a standing vehicle. In 2006, the NRC expanded the hunt to include public land under certain conditions, e.g., Ft. Custer Military Training Center. In 2007, Legislation was passed that provided veterans who are 100 percent disabled to hunt during the 2007 youth season. This was a one-year trial. The Division recommends that opportunities for disabled hunters be expanded to allow 100 percent disabled veterans and blind individuals to participate in the deer hunt for disabled individuals the third weekend in October.

Pat Lederle, Wildlife Division, provided an update on the tribal elk hunt that will occur in December and a bear consultation meeting that will occur with the tribes on Dec. 14. In the consent decree, the tribes have agreed to limit their harvest to 10% of the number of elk licenses issued by the DNR. Therefore, the tribes hope to harvest 13 animals during the December hunt (8 cows and 5 any sex).

Commissioner Madigan asked if anyone in the audience would like to discuss the proposed turtle regulations. One gentleman, who used to be a commercial turtle trapper, discussed his opposition to prohibiting commercial take of turtles in Michigan. He felt that the DNR data was not correct since he has personally harvested over 50,000 turtles in his lifetime. He believes that turtles are adaptable and are still thriving. He asked that the Director postpone signing these regulations for six months so that commercial trappers and the DNR could discuss the options.

Commissioner Charters mentioned that, at the regular Commission meeting, he will be announcing the creation of a Crossbow Disability Work Group and will be reading the formal charge for the group at that time. The Work Group will report to this committee. **Commissioner Madigan** will be the chair of the Work Group.

Commissioner Wheatlake wanted it on record that he had received a call from **Bob Wolf** who would like the NRC to stop the bow hunting season the first of November

because the bow hunters are taking all of the bucks. Commissioner Wheatlake has no opinion on this matter but wanted that pass the information on.

The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.