



STATE OF NEW YORK CONSERVATION FUND ADVISORY BOARD
625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4750
Monthly Meeting Minutes

Three Hundred Seventy Sixth Meeting – January 8, 2018
Department of Environmental Conservation, 625 Broadway, Albany

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM.
Meeting Adjourned – The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Roll Call: 9:02am

Ex-Officio Members Present

DEC Commissioner represented by:
Kathy Moser, Deputy Commissioner for Natural Resources
Kenneth Lynch, Executive Deputy Commissioner

Voting Board Members Present

Vacant	Region 1
Gordon Whiting	Region 2
Vacant	Region 3
Tom Williams	Region 4
Jason Kemper	Region 5
Dave Corr	Region 6
Charles Pace	Region 7
Marc Osypian	Region 8
Dale Dunkelberger	Region 9
Bill Conners	FWMB
Ray Merlotto	NYSCC

Ex-Officio Members Absent

Senate Finance Committee
Senate EnCon Committee
Assembly Ways and Means Committee
Assembly EnCon Committee

DEC Personnel

Division of Fish and Wildlife: Doug Stang, Assistant Director, Jim Farquhar, Bureau of Wildlife
Division of Law Enforcement: Joseph Schneider, Director

Voting Board Members Excused

Guests:

Erin Hovish, DMBS
Jeshica Patel, Legislative Affairs
Steve Piatt, NY Outdoor News

Voting Board Members Absent

Abbreviations

Ag. & Mkts = Department of Agriculture and Markets
CFAB or the Board = Conservation Fund Advisory Board
DEC or the Department = NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
DFW = Division of Fish and Wildlife
DLE = Division of Law Enforcement

DLF = Division of Lands and Forest
DMBS = Division of Management and Budget Services
OGC = DEC Office of General Counsel
DOB = Division of the Budget
DOP = Division of Operation Services
DPAE = Division of Public Affairs & Education
OSC = Office of State Comptroller

Correspondence:

NASP Save the Date: NASP New York State Tournament Flyer

Minutes of Prior Meeting:

MOTION: Dave Corr motioned to accept November's minutes, Charlie Pace, Second, Motion passed.

Executive Report:

Ken Lynch, Executive Deputy Commissioner, Kathy Moser, Deputy Commissioner for Natural Resources, provided Board members with the following:

- Urban deer issue in Fayetteville
Only 4 shooting sites this year instead of 12 because of existing State regulations. Other townships in Region 7 now using USDA because of their success in Fayetteville (pre the 4 site restriction).

Division of Fish and Wildlife Report:

Jim Farquhar, Bureau Chief, provided the following:

- Update on the Internal WMA Guidance Policy
CFAB Members were surprised that the guidelines were going to be kept internal as they were originally going to be "policy" which would have made them public. CFAB also voiced strong concern over the continued primary uses, that DEC had already completed work on to cut back. These uses will continue to exist at this point on some WMA's. DEC state that those uses will be cut back by this time next year.
- Spruce Grouse Program update

Doug Stang, Assistant Director:

- Update provided on license sales, outages, additional features, etc.
- Hatchery update provided.
- Hatchery staff and infrastructure upgrade efforts were updated was provided.
- Risk assessment prepared on DECALS; contemplating moving away from Accela.
- Update provided on the Fish Culturist 1-6 Exams.
- Conservationist will feature highlights on Hatcheries and WMAs.
- Regulatory effort updates: no movement on Regulation packages.

Division of Law Enforcement Report:

Joseph Schneider, Director provided the following updates:

- NYC Subway detail continues, 4 ECOs per shift.
- Hunter Safety Videos are in the works

- Next academy possibly 2019
- HRSI Update: 18 Personal injuries; 10 property damage.
- 60 Vehicles scheduled to arrive late February-Early March
- Statewide radio system update.
- Provided information on electronic ticketing.

CFAB Business:

- Dave Corr discussed DEC's Proposed Regulations on Roadside campsites.
- Lifetime license account; prepare a summary on next steps for 2018
- CFAB Rack Card update
- 12year old hunting initiative; next steps.

Dale Dunkelberger motioned to adjourn the meeting, Raymond Merlotto second – motion passed, Meeting Adjourned at 1:15 pm.