

MINUTES OF THE H. P. DEER COMMITTEE MEETING
OCT. 13, 2015

The Hollywood Park Deer Committee met in a regular session Oct.13, 2015 at 7:06 p.m. in Town Hall. Notice was posted in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Laws.

Committee Chairman Jeff Doss called the meeting to order. Committee Members present: Nancy Swan, Carol Ingham, Barbara Schmitz, Tonya Cummings, Randy Tomasini, Michael Crevoisier and Committee Secretary, LuAnn Montgomery. Larry Morris was absent. Position representing City Council Place 4 is vacant. H.P. City Secretary, Janice Alamia attended prior to meeting adjournment.

CONSENT ITEM:

Although the Deer Committee Meeting Packets for Oct. 13, 2015 meeting was not sent by H.P. City Hall to Committee Members in advance, we reviewed and approved Deer Committee meeting Minutes for Sept. 14, 2015 and Apr. 13, 2015. It was asked that Apr. 13, 2015 Minutes be presented which included total expenditure amount for 2014-15 deer season for TTT. Tonya Cummings made a motion to accept Apr. 13, 2015 Minutes as amended and Sept. 14, 2015 Minutes. The motion was seconded by Nancy Swan. The motion passed unanimously.

WILDLIFE INCIDENT REPORTS:

The Wildlife Incident Reports submitted reflect 3 dead fawns, 3 dead does, 1 dead buck and 1 injured buck. Apparent miscommunication with HPPD, City Hall & Deer Committee members regarding the issue of documenting the Wildlife Incident Reports was discussed. There were HPPD case numbers missing from some of the completed forms. Carol Ingham made a motion to approve the Wildlife Incident Reports. The motion was seconded by Tonya Cummings. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION:

Michael Mayfield, H.P. Deer Manager was not present. LuAnn Montgomery, H.P. Deer Committee member had quoted TPWD document, dated 9/21/15 addressing TTT requirements regarding CWD sample submittal. Both Montgomery and Randy Tomasini is requesting previous copies of TTT permits submitted by Mayfield for 2014-15 season, suggesting there may be a carry-over number of approved deer to be removed from the community during the 2015-16 season. Montgomery has requested copies of these documents from Mayfield but has not received them. She has been allowed to search City Hall files and nothing surfaced. She currently has a call in to TPWD Permit Unit in effort to obtain these records. Nancy Swan commented on the confusing wording used in the TPWD document that specifies the actual number of samples to be submitted for CWD. Although there is concern about getting the number of (10) samples now needed for arranged TTT, Michael Crevoisier reminded the committee that during rut season many deaths may occur; therefore, obtaining the samples necessary. Jeff Doss said we had a window of time in getting samples. Randy Tomasini stressed that sample results must be submitted at time of TTT Permit submittal.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION:

No Citizen Participation

ACTION ITEMS:

1. *Review, discuss and take possible action on 2015 H.P. Fall Survey results.*

2015 Fall Survey Results:

Bucks	34
Does	101
Fawns	49
Total	184

Jeff Doss states the focus in decreasing the number of does from the herd is beginning to get results. Randy Tomasini expressed concern about the young bucks being counted as does or fawns due to the fact their antlers are not yet developed.

2. *Review, discuss and take possible action on 2015-16 Deer Management Plan Proposal, TTT update and associated H.P. Deer Management expenditures.*

During September meeting Doss mentions expenditures and Mayfield's 2015-16 Deer Management Proposal, dated 9/7/15 with instructions that members review it and make recommendations during this October meeting. LuAnn Montgomery reminded the Committee there was a difference of \$500 between Deer Manager salary from current proposed H.P. Contract 2014 & 2015 and Mayfield's proposal. Randy Tomasini is asking who the Deer Manager

correlates with. Doss replied, "LuAnn, Tonya, other Committee Members and him." Doss said the "plug" numbers are high, as usual but he (Mayfield) presents these numbers on the Proposal. Expenditures are controlled by the Deer Committee. Doss continues saying that Montgomery gives routine procedures for purchasing supplies. Tomasini inquired of leftover supplies. Doss is approving submitted Deer Manager Proposal and is requesting a motion from the group. Carol Ingham makes a motion to approve Mayfield supply request to be tailored to the voted removal of up to 50 deer. The motion was seconded by Barbara Schmitz. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Review, discuss and take possible action on submitted CWD tissue sample update.

See previous discussion during Presentation.

4. Review, discuss and take possible action on updating committee's policy on media contact.

LuAnn Montgomery pointed out the committee policy regarding media contact that was voted in during March 18, 2013 meeting was no longer valid because it designated specific named individuals that was no longer associated with H.P. deer management; therefore, needing revision. The committee agreed that contact with the Mayor would be priority, then referring to appropriate Deer Committee Member(s).

5. Review, discuss and take possible action on spaying deer as a form of permanent birth control.

Randy Tomasini stated that he did not believe this to be a viable option for our herd. Checking into the entire process of developing a program, expense and that these deer's range also includes Hill Country Village. Depending on the cost per animal and that they are not captive, there is no way to control what we've paid time and money into. Michael Crevoisier agrees. It was said that this project would only be operating on the compassion of the community. Nancy Swan sees the fact that we're darting for TTT. Who says that some of those deer haven't wandered in from Hill Country Village, Hidden Forest or other adjacent areas. It was heard that the Deer Manager has provided a positive attitude toward this issue once we get to an acceptable minimal herd number we can maintain. Carol Ingham has volunteered to join the group in support of this. The Committee chose to allow further research before including this topic onto future agendas.

CONSIDERATION FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE DEER MEETINGS:

1. Review, discuss and take possible action on TTT update and associated H.P. Deer Management expenditures.
2. Review, discuss and take possible action on submitted CWD tissue sample update.

The schedule for the next H.P. Deer Committee Meeting was set for Nov. 9, 2015. Tonya Cummings made a motion to accept the next meeting schedule/agenda and adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Michael Crevoisier. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNED:

Chairman, Jeff Doss adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

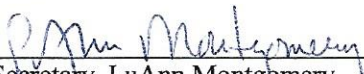
MINUTES OF THIS MEETING APPROVED AS SUBMITTED (✓).

CORRECTED () THIS 13 DAY OF OCT, 2015.



Chairman, Jeff Doss

ATTEST:



Secretary, LuAnn Montgomery

City Attorney