

AGENDA
Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Commission
Regular Meeting

Public Meeting: **Tuesday, September 4, 2018 at 9:00 a.m.**
Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation
2145 NE 36th Street
Oklahoma City, OK 73111

The Commission May Vote to Approve, Disapprove or Take Other Action on Any of the Following Items. The Commission May Vote to Authorize Public Comment on Any Agenda Item Requesting a Rule Change.

1. Call to Order – Chairman John Groendyke
2. Roll Call – Rhonda Hurst
3. Invocation – Ken Cunningham
4. Pledge of Allegiance – Ken Cunningham
5. Introduction of Guests
6. Presentation of Awards – J.D. Strong, Director

Steve O'Donnell, Fisheries Biologist – 30 years
Kent Swanda, Habitat Coordinator – 40 years
Bill Wentroth, Regional Fisheries Supervisor – 40 years
Rod Smith, Regional Wildlife Supervisor – 40 years

7. Consideration and vote to approve, amend, reject or take other action on minutes of the July 9, 2018 regular Commission meeting.
8. Director's Report – J.D. Strong
 - a. Federal and Congressional Update
 - Oklahoma Legislative Update – Corey Jager, Legislative Liaison
 - b. Calendar Items – discussion of upcoming department calendar items.
 - c. Agency Update – an update on current activity within each division of the agency.
9. Presentation of the June 30, 2018 and July 31, 2018 Financial Statement and consideration and vote to approve, amend or reject miscellaneous donations – Melinda Streich, Assistant Director of Administration and Finance.
10. Presentation and consideration and vote to approve, amend, reject or take other action on a donation of \$3,000 from Oklahoma Trout Unlimited and Indian Nations Council of Trout Unlimited to ODWC in support of the Stars and Stripes Project – Corey Jager and Scott Hood, Indian Nations Council of Trout Unlimited, Treasurer; Oklahoma Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Treasurer; Member of the Board of Trustees, Trout Unlimited and Frank Kohn, Oklahoma Trout Unlimited Board of Directors.
11. Presentation and consideration and vote to approve, amend, reject or take other action on a donation of \$5,000 from Central Oklahoma 89er Chapter of Quail Forever to ODWC in support of the Stars and Stripes Project - Corey Jager and John Bellah, President, Central Oklahoma '89er Chapter Quail Forever Chairman, James Dietsch, Founding Chairman and Laura McIver, Oklahoma Regional Representative.

12. Recognition of Randi and Fred Wightman from Osage County as the recipients of the 2018 ODWC Landowner Conservationist of the Year Award – Alan Peoples, Chief of Wildlife Division and Jeff Pennington, Wildlife Regional Supervisor.
13. Recognition of the USFWS Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program support of the ODWC Outdoor Education Programs – Colin Berg, Education Section Supervisor, Matt Filsinger, National Team Lead for the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program and John Hendrix, State Coordinator for Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program.
14. Recognition of the Fisheries Division 2017 Professional of the Year Award recipient Bill Newman, Assistant Hatchery Manager – Ken Cunningham, Assistant Chief of Fisheries Division.
15. Recognition of the ODWC representatives who received awards at the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies annual conference – J.D. Strong, Director
John D. Groendyke – Phillip W. Schneider Lifetime Achievement Award
Jason Schooley – Professional of the Year Award
Tony Rodger and Matt Skoog – Special Achievement Award
Jeff Tibbits – Special Recognition Award
McAlester Army Ammunition Plant – Federal Conservation Partner of the Year Award
-Col. Joseph D. Blanding and Ryan Tobey
16. Reports from attendees of the summer meeting of the Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies with discussion and action, if necessary, by the Commission – James V. Barwick, Commissioner and J.D. Strong, Director.
17. Discussion and action, if necessary, concerning the Oklahoma Wildlife Conservation Foundation, including a status update, approval of new members for the Foundation's Board of Directors, Board Committees, fundraising, and other related matters involving the Foundation – James V. Barwick, Commissioner.
18. New Business – Discussion of any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.
19. Announce the date for the regular Commission Meeting on Monday, October 1, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
20. Adjourn

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