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Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to RSA 4:8, authorize the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department to accept a 2015 ProLine Enclosed Aluminum Trailer with accessories valued at approximately \$6,120.00 to be donated to the Law Enforcement Division.

EXPLANATION

In February of 2010, Gary Lopes of North Dighton, Massachusetts was killed in a snow machine accident in Pittsburg, New Hampshire. Every year since Gary's death family and friends have made a donation to Conservation Officers patrolling in District One. Since 2015 marks the fifth anniversary of Gary's death family and friends decided to make a significant donation and decided upon the ProLine Enclosed Aluminum Trailer. This Trailer will be utilized to aid Conservation Officers performing search and rescue missions and enforcement of snow machine and off highway recreational vehicle details.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission voted unanimously to accept this donation at their February 11, 2015, Commission Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Executive Director

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February 4, 2015

TO: Fish & Game Commissioners & Staff
FROM: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director
SUBJECT: COMMISSION AGENDA – **FEBRUARY 11, 2015**

There will be a meeting of the NH Fish and Game Commission on **Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at 1:00 p.m.**, at the New Hampshire Fish & Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive, Concord, NH 03301.

The public is entitled to attend all Commission Meetings and when recognized by the Chairman, the public may speak on any item on the agenda. The Chairman reserves the right to limit public comments to the extent necessary for the orderly conduct of the meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1.) Approval of the January 21, 2015 Commission Minutes. (T. Tichy)
- 2.) Consent Agenda - The following items have been grouped together and are hereby noticed as consent agenda items to expedite action on routine matters, which may not require public discussion. The Commission will be asked to vote to approve these matters as presented. Commission members may remove certain items if further public input or discussion is deemed necessary.
 - 2a.) Approval to accept a donation in the amount of \$6,110.63 from the Lakeview Neurorehabilitation Center, Effingham, NH, for assistance they received in locating a patient. (M. Garabedian)
 - 2b.) Approval to accept a donation in the amount of \$25.00 from Heidi Ring, in memory of Dennis Sullivan, to be utilized by the “Let’s Go Fishing” & Hunter Education Programs. (L. Ryder)
 - 2c.) Approval to accept a donation in the amount of \$6,000 from the NH Project Learning Tree, to be utilized for reimbursement for printing & mailing the fall, 2014 issue of the publication, “Wild Times For Kids”. (L. Ryder)
 - 2d.) **Approval to accept the donation of a 2015 Proline Enclosed Aluminum Trailer and accessories, valued at approximately \$6,120.00, from Dan & Laurie DaRosa, Maria Lopes and Family and Gilbert Lopes and Family.**

Commissioner Morse moved to accept the donation of a 2015 Proline Enclosed Aluminum Trailer and accessories, valued at approximately \$6,120.00, from Dan & Laurie DaRosa, Maria Lopes and Family and Gilbert Lopes and Family, and Commissioner Carr seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

- 3.) Approval of final proposal for Fis. 312, relative to emerging technologies (drones, etc). A summary of comments will also be presented. (E. Mulholland)
- 4.) Approval to go forward with rulemaking to modify rules for cod and haddock, as well as some gear requirements for lobster traps and pots. (D. Grout)
- 5.) Approval to go forward with rulemaking to regulate the use of chocolate as a component of bear bait. (A. Timmins/M. Ellingwood)

Brief presentations by Law Enforcement and UNH's Veterinary Pathologist will precede the presentation of a proposal by the Department's Bear Project Leader.

- 6.) Approval to go forward with rulemaking to adjust moose permit issuance in select regions of NH in response to our latest data on regional moose population trends and status. (K. Rines/M. Ellingwood)

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- 1.) Financial Statement (K. LaBonte)
- 2.) Overview of Osgood Pond Project & potential request to utilize habitat funds. (G. Normandeau/F. Elkind)
- 3.) Overview on how a bobcat harvest might be regulated should the Commission decide to proceed with a bobcat season proposal. (P. Tate/M. Ellingwood)

STANDING COMMITTEES:

POLICY COMMITTEE: Commissioners: McGonagle, Clews & Phillipson.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE: Commissioner Morse, Chair; Commissioners: Tichy, Greco & Patch.

RIVERS COMMITTEE: Commissioner Ryan.

LAKES COMMITTEE: Commissioner Clews.

AWARDS COMMITTEE: Commissioners: Ryan & Morse.

HANDBOOK & ORIENTATION COMMITTEE: Commissioner Patch, Chair; **STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE:** Commissioner Greco, Chair; Commissioners McGonagle, Tichy & Phillipson.

WILDLIFE HERITAGE FOUNDATION: Commissioner Greco

COMMISSIONERS REPORTS:

The Commissioners will report on their recent activities related to Game and Fish Commission duties and responsibilities. This item will be informational only.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

The Director will report on recent Department activities. This item will be informational only.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

The Commission may afford any person the opportunity to present statements relating to matters of interest to the Commission. Unless the Chairman has granted approval, comments will be limited to no more than three minutes.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Normandeau', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director
NH Fish & Game Department

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