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WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

BRIEF OF ACTION

Monday, October 18, 2021

The special meeting of the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board was held virtually on Monday, October 18, 2021 originating from Public Meeting Room G09, State Natural Resources Building (GEF 2), 101 South Webster Street, Madison Wisconsin. The meeting was called to order at noon for action on items 1 and 2. The meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS (00:01 – 01:54)

A. Calling the roll (00:38 – 01:02)

William Bruins – present

Marcy West – present

Sharon Adams – present

William Smith – present

Terry Hilgenberg – present

Dr. Frederick Prehn – present

Greg Kazmierski – present

B. Approval of special meeting agenda for October 18, 2021 (01:03 – 01:38)

At 01:29, Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Mr. Kazmierski, approval of the meeting agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

Chair Prehn, at 01:39, requested a motion to convene in closed session via Zoom under the authority of s.19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., to confer with legal counsel on whether to seek separate counsel to represent the Board in the litigation involving the fall 2021 wolf hunt (*Great Lakes Wildlife Alliance et al v. WDNR et al, 2021 cv 002103 (Dane County)* and *Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin et al v. WDNR et al, 3:21-cv-00597 (W.D. Wisconsin)*).

At 02:07, Mr. Hilgenberg, MOVED, seconded by Mr. Smith, that the Board convene in closed session via Zoom under the authority of s.19.85(1)(g), Wis. Stats., to confer with legal counsel on whether to seek separate counsel to represent the Board in the litigation involving the fall 2021 wolf hunt (*Great Lakes Wildlife Alliance et al v. WDNR et al, 2021 cv 002103 (Dane County)* and *Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior*

Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin et al v. WDNR et al, 3:21-cv-00597 (W.D. Wisconsin)). The motion carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

William Bruins – yes

Marcy West – yes

Sharon Adams – yes

William Smith – yes

Terry Hilgenberg – yes

Dr. Frederick Prehn – yes

Greg Kazmierski – yes

II. ACTION ITEMS (04:10 - 04:34)

A. Board Member Request to Seek Separate Counsel to Represent the Board in *Great Lakes Wildlife Alliance et al v. WDNR et al, 2021 cv 002103 (Dane County)* and *Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin et al v. WDNR et al, 3:21-cv-00597 (W.D. Wisconsin)*

Chair Prehn, at 04:10, reconvened the meeting and reported that the Board heard an update from legal counsel on litigation involving the 2021 fall wolf hunt. The Board was informed from the Department of Justice that the Board had been dismissed from the state lawsuit. The Board is still named in the federal suit with the hearing scheduled for next week. The Board voted to take no action.

At 04:35, Mr. Mr. Hilgenberg MOVED, seconded by Ms. West to adjourn. The motion carried on a voice vote of 6-0; Mr. Bruins was not on-line at time of vote.

The meeting adjourned at 1:31 p.m.

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