AGENDA

The agenda items and order may be changed at the discretion of the chair.

NJ FISH AND GAME COUNCIL MEETING CENTRAL REGION OFFICE

One Eldridge Road Robbinsville, NJ 08691

May 9, 2023 10:00 a.m.

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Announcement:

Roll Call: Jim DeStephano, Mitchell Jones, Ed Kertz, Dr. Rick Lathrop, Rob Pollock, Robert Puskas, Loren Robinson, Frank Virgilio, and Ken Whildin.

Approval of minutes from the April 11, 2023 meeting.

Chairman Virgilio's Comments

Assistant Commissioner Dave Golden's Comments

Council Reports:

- 1. Agriculture: Jones, Kertz, Puskas
- 2. Wildlife/Animal Health: Sebastian Reist, DVM
- 3. Farmer/Sportsman Relations: Jones
- 4. NJ State Federation of Sportsman's Clubs: DeStephano, Robinson, Whildin, Virgilio
- 5. Finance Committee: Robinson
- 6. Fish Committee: Pollock
- 7. Game Committee: Virgilio
- 8. Endangered & Non-Game Species Advisory Committee: Lathrop
- 9. Waterfowl Stamp Advisory Committee: Whildin

- 10. Wildlife Rehabilitators Advisory Committee: DeStephano
- 11. Law Enforcement Committee: Whildin
- 12. Public Member Comments: Pollock
- 13. Legislative Update: Mary Monteschio

Swearing in of new Conservation Police Officers

Conservation Police Officer of the Year Award

Awarded to Lieutenant Joseph Soell

Fish & Wildlife Reports:

- 1. Business Administration: Kim Springer, Chief
- 2. Freshwater Fisheries: Shawn Crouse, Chief
- 3. Information and Education: Al Ivany, Chief
- 4. Land Management: Jason Hearon, Chief
- 5. Law Enforcement: Frank Panico, Chief
- 6. Wildlife Management: Carole Stanko, Chief
- 7. Endangered and Nongame Species: Kathy Clark, Supervising Biologist

Old Business:

- Greenwood Lake Update
- Comprehensive Black Bear Management Policy and Black Bear Management Update

Lunch:

12:30 – 1:00 pm: Adjourn for lunch (approximate time)

New Business:

Invasive Insects and Plants (NJAG – Paul Kurtz)

Outside Together

Sparta Mountain Forest Management Results

Public Comment

Adjournment

Next Meeting: June 13, 2023, 10:00 a.m. Meeting type - in-person.