

Conservation Advisory Council  
Minutes  
December 11, 2007 Meeting

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chris Marino at 7:08 PM.

**Attendance:** See attendance list.

The chairman requested a motion to approve the November, 2007 minutes. Motion made by George Marsh, and seconded by George Finch. The motion to accept the minutes was approved.

**Secretary's Report:**

None

**Chairman's Report:**

None

**DEP:**

**Conservation Environmental Police Report:**

\*Sergeant Jim Wolfe was not present. No Report.

**BNR Report: Ed Parker**

**Forestry:**

The present head of Forestry will be retiring at the end of the year. The state will be interviewing for he new position.

**Marine Fisheries:**

\*Ed reported that there is a recommendation from the Atlantic Marine Fisheries Council for a reduction of 20 to 30% across the board for recreational fisherman's catch.

**Inland Fisheries:**

\* Approximately 900 seafoellen brown trout brood stock upwards of 20+ pounds will be stocked this month.

\*D.E.P. will be requesting public comment on potential changes to management regulations for the Farmington River Trout Management Area prior to the development of any regulation proposals.

\*Fisheries has completed the stocking of 53,000 walleye fingerlings in CT lakes.

\*240 brood stock Kokanee salmon were collected at West Hill Lake. They produced approx. 98,000 eggs.

**Wildlife:**

\*To increase the number of deer donated to "Hunters for the Hungry" in particular, in zones 11 and 12 it was suggested that sportsmen organizations might be able to get a trucking company to provide a refrigerated box truck to store donated deer until they are processed.

\*There was a lengthy discussion on the “Archery in the Schools Program”. Ed explained the details of the program.

\*A “Sunday Hunting Bill” will not be submitted by D.E.P. The Department supports Sunday hunting for deer in zones 11 & 12, on private lands only, and for archery and firearms.

\*The Automated Licensing System will be going on-line later this December after a few “kinks” are worked out. Hunting, fishing licenses and tags will be available on-line. The only tags that will not be available on-line will be pheasant tags.

\*Ed reported on the illegal moose kill in Hartland last month.

### **Miscellaneous:**

\*Meeting dates for 2008 scheduled meetings will stay the same (2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 7pm), except for these two alternate dates. **Wednesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>.**

### **CAC Committee Reports:**

#### **Nominating Committee:**

\*Jason Marshall reported that the same slate of officers have agreed to accept their same positions for next year. Nominations will be still accepted from the floor at February’s meeting.

### **Legislative**

\*Bob Crook was absent. No report.

### **Old Business.**

\*Delegate attendance issues were discussed.

\*Fred Frillici brought up the “orange cap” issue again. There was a discussion about the topic. A motion was made by Fred Frillici to... ”make a recommendation to the D.E.P. to make a hunter orange cap to be a mandatory addition to the required 400 sq. inches of hunter orange.” It was second by George Finch. A vote was taken. 5 in favor and 4 were opposed. The motion to recommend the regulation change to the D.E.P. was passed.

### **New Business:**

None

A motion to adjourn was made by Fred Frillici and seconded by Tip Garrett.

### **Meeting was Adjourn at 9:48 PM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Jason Marshall, Secretary C.A.C.