



Governance Agenda - REVISED **Game, Fish and Parks Commission**

October 1, 2020

Zoom and Conference Call (see below)

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Call to order 9:00 AM CT/ 8:00 AM MT

1. What is a fiduciary
2. Wildlife Commissions are fiduciaries/trustees – history, purpose and approach explained by Chris Smith, WMI
 - a. Public trust - North American Model of Wildlife Mgt.
 - b. Independence & objectivity- facts, free of political pressure.
 - c. Science - biological and social.
 - d. Can't assume - must verify, critically examine.
 - e. Process matters - transparency, timely public input.
 - f. Obligated to act in "best interest" of stakeholders & resource.
3. Commission has substantial authority - and opportunity - therefore substantial responsibility. State statutes control, such as SDCL 41-2-5, 41-2-18, 41-2-1.2 & 1-32-1(13).
 - a. Similar perhaps to head of household decisions.
 - b. Listen, ask, study, create, propose, advocate, debate.
 - c. Vote courageously for what you determine is best.
4. Practical operations - conducting business. GDJ (15)
 - a. Rule-making: three sources (Dpt., Public, Comm).
 - b. Beyond rule-making to other policies.
 - c. Individual Commissioner “successes.”

5. Roberts Rules of Order – Olson (15)
6. GFP budget and determining \$ effect of proposals – Sharp (15)
7. Helpful tools – Google alerts; e-newsletters, WMI – GDJ (5)
8. Commission Communications to the Public – Jensen & Sharp
9. Public participation – petition, public hearing, open forum - Dpt. (25)
Depending on interest, any topic can continue at 11/5 meeting.
10. Season Setting Schedule

Additional Subjects for November

1. Roberts Rules of Order perhaps continued.
2. GFP budget in depth.
3. Parks issues.
4. Other

Solicitation of Agenda Items from Commissioners

Adjourn

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