

MUCC Conservation Policy Board (CPB) Meeting Minutes  
Meeting of June 26, 2021  
Zoom Virtual Meeting

Policy Committee meetings occurred from 10 to 11 am. Wildlife, Fisheries and the Sport Shooting and Ranges Committee met.

The meeting was called to order by MUCC Vice President Tim Muir at 11:01 AM.

Ian FitzGerald, Policy/Special Events Assistant led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Conservation Pledge.

Tim Muir, Vice President of MUCC and CPB chair, gave a brief introduction of the meeting and introduced the MUCC board members and staff.

Miller (Peter) moved to approve the agenda. MOTION CARRIES

Miller (Davis) moved to approve the minutes from the March 13, 2021 Conservation Policy with one clerical change. MOTION CARRIES

Seth Herbst, from DNR Fisheries gave a talk on the division and regulations process, as well as the draft walleye management plan.

- Basic contact information for fisheries staff, by management unit:  
[https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79136\\_79236\\_82259-211971--,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79136_79236_82259-211971--,00.html)
- DNR's Walleye Management page: [https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79136\\_79236\\_82240\\_82667---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79136_79236_82240_82667---,00.html)

Carol Rose, chair of the NRC covered recent happenings with the commission and what is on the agenda ahead.

- NRC Website: [https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79137\\_79763\\_79909---,00.html](https://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-350-79137_79763_79909---,00.html)
- July draft agenda:  
[https://www.michigan.gov/documents/dnr/Agenda\\_JulyDraft\\_728692\\_7.pdf](https://www.michigan.gov/documents/dnr/Agenda_JulyDraft_728692_7.pdf)

MC Rothhorn, Commissioner for the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission, gave a talk on the work they are doing and how MUCC membership can engage.

- MICRC website: <https://www.michigan.gov/micrc>
- Public online comment tool: <https://www.michigan-mapping.org/>

A break occurred from 12:30 to 1 p.m.

## **Committee Reports**

Wildlife: Rob Miller: Discussion occurred on access to public lands and closures that have happened. It will likely be broken up into 3 resolutions. One for CFA lands, other for state land and lastly federal lands.

Fisheries: Linn Duling: Discussion occurred on the definition of an artificial fly as well as the draft walleye management plan.

Sport Shooting and Ranges: Jack Ammerman: Discussed the public ranges closures proposed resolution.

Youth and Education: Mark Hergenreder: Did not meet today but Mark provided an update on an event at the MOOD youth camp in August. It will be a luncheon of community leaders and education and youth community members.

Parks: Did not meet today.

## **Discussion of Proposed Resolutions**

**Proposed Resolution #A.** Safe Management of Public Shooting Ranges submitted by Jim Felgenauer.

Mr. Felgenauer withdrew his resolution and will come back with a revised version in December.

**Proposed Resolution #B.** MUCC supports Enbridge Line 5 Tunnel as Best Alternative submitted by George Lindquist.

Hergenreder (VanLopik) moved to refer back to write with comments that data points be added. Motion denied.

Miller (Laakso) moved that this proposed resolution be amended as written below and pass onto the 2022 Annual Convention. Motion carried unanimously.

after line 17 reads “that the state requires Enbridge to be responsible financially for the construction and operation of the tunnel holding the state harmless, that Enbridge provide the state with financial assurances (not including self insurance) that would cover cleanup of a catastrophic release to the Straits and that the company submits an acceptable monitoring plan”

## **Policy and MUCC Updates given from Executive Director Amy Trotter and Policy Assistant Ian FitzGerald**

Commercial Guiding - To be introduced in the fall

HB 4050 - restricting FOIA for specific location of game - Signed into law. MUCC supports  
HB 4080 - Airbows - passed the house, MUCC neutral  
HB 5078 - Requires additional Michigan Wildlife Council seats including a non-consumptive,  
also changes the funds spent. MUCC opposes. Awaiting a hearing

Ian provided an update on the NRC, and their July meeting will be in person in Okemos.

### **Executive Board Report**

Amy provided an update on MUCC internal operations and highlighted each of our four pillars followed by a moment for the mission related to MOOD Youth Camp.

### **Closing Announcements**

- Convention is in Gaylord at Treetops Resort Sept 24-26

Davis (Snyder) MOVED TO ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED. Meeting adjourned at approximately 2:27 P.M.