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**AGENDA NOTICE**  
**FOR A REGULAR CALLED MEETING**  
**OF THE WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WAC)**  
**GRANITE SHOALS CITY HALL, 1<sup>ST</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM**  
**2221 N. PHILLIPS RANCH ROAD, GRANITE SHOALS, TX**  
**THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2016 6:30 PM**

*The Committee may take action on any item listed on this agenda.*

1. Call meeting to order / Welcome
2. Citizens Comments/Items of Interest:
3. Discuss, consider and possibly take action to approve the meeting minutes from WAC Regular Meeting, October 27, 2016.
4. Report results of report to City Council meeting 11-8-16
5. Report to WAC members on progress of Pilot program for Deer Management, including changes to the hunting schedule necessitated by the recent time change.
6. Report on donation of venison status.
7. Discuss and consider scheduling a requalification day and current number of harvesters.
8. Discuss and possibly take action regarding December pilot program update to City Council.
9. Field citizen questions, discuss, explain, and address concerns (for continued education of the residents) related to the Pilot Plan for Deer Management, starting Oct. 3rd. (Ord. 685)
10. Identify Future Agenda items/ Adjourn

CERTIFICATION

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Elaine Simpson, TRMC/MMC - City Secretary



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**MEETING MINUTES**  
**FOR REGULAR MEETING**  
**OF THE WILDLIFE ADVISORY COMMITTEE (WAC)**  
**OF THE CITY OF GRANITE SHOALS**  
**GRANITE SHOALS CITY HALL, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR COUNCIL CHAMBERS**  
**2221 N. PHILLIPS RANCH ROAD, GRANITE SHOALS, TX**  
**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2016 6:30 PM**

Present:

Jason Brady – Chair  
 Doug Ripple – Vice Chair  
 Robbie Boswell  
 Willie Pack (arrived late approximately 6:40 PM)  
 Tina Collier  
 Mary Waters

Absent:

Todd Holland, Council Member Advisor  
 Steve Hougen  
 Sandra Campbell

City Staff:

Elaine Simpson, City Secretary (recording secretary)

*The meeting minutes reflects items in the order they appeared on the meeting agenda, the actual order of the meeting may have been changed.*

1. Call meeting to order by Jason Brady at 6:40 PM
2. Citizens Comments/Items of Interest:

It was announced that Falls Fest will be held in Marble Falls this Sunday.

3. Discuss, consider and possibly take action to approve the following sets of meeting minutes from previous WAC meeting; September 22, 2016 Regular Meeting.

Mary Waters motioned, and Tina Collier seconded, to approve, as presented, the WAC meeting minutes from September 22, 2016 regular meeting. Motion carried by unanimous 6-0 vote.

4. Staff Update: November 8, 2016, Referendum Election on Ordinance #680 *No Deer Feeding Ordinance*.

City Secretary Simpson gave a brief overview of the Referendum Election. Early Voting started Monday the 24<sup>th</sup>. This week there were inserts with voter information about both city special elections (Referendum and the Road Bond election) which were disseminated as inserts in the Picayune and The Highlander.

It was noted that the Presidential Election was causing lines to be long at voting places. There is heavy turn-out for Early Voting.

5. Report to WAC members on progress of Pilot program for Deer Management. So far (10-27-2016) approximately 35 does have been culled. More than 20 have been donated to the folks on the venison recipient list. Pastor Keesler started off this project requesting that his group get ten does. This request has been filled. We are now working to make sure that Joseph's Food Pantry gets the venison that they desire. There have been six to eight individual citizens who have called Chair Brady and have requested venison.

There have been no reported incidents (such as harassment) at any of the hunting sites.

We have only had a few 'issues'. There have been incidents of deer running further than we originally predicted. A few have crossed a street. There has been some issue with breakage of the tracking floss. It took three team members to locate one doe who ran 150+ yards. One positive from this issue is that two citizens have offered up their hound dogs to assist as volunteer search dogs when we have trouble finding a deer. It appears that when there have been these issues, the harvesters have followed protocol and called for Harvest Director assistance.

The deer feeders are set up at each stand. At least eight of these were provided by Council Member Holland. Some have been provided by Vice Chair Ripple.

We have three animals unrecovered. This is a matter we are investigating. So far, the harvesters have requested help for does who run further than expected and for help finding animals.

One archer on the team broke a thumb (unrelated to the program) and has dropped out for the time being.

We have five archers today that have done their monthly recertification. Five have not; one is the one with the injured thumb. The four who lack recertification can call and make an appointment with Todd Holland and he will conduct their testing.

6. Poll members of committee on their wishes to be included in the group messages.

Chair Brady explained the group text message system being used now for communication between the Harvest Directors and the Harvesters. No members of the committee not already on the group text list wished to be added.

7. Poll members of committee regarding positive/negative feedback from citizens.

There has not been any negative feedback from citizens so far. We have not had any vandalism so far.

The positive feedback has been the citizens offering to put their dogs to work searching for does. One citizen offered to allow his driveway for parking for the harvester if they don't wish to park along the nearest street.

8. Report on donation status.

Approximately 25 of the first 35 animals have been donated, so far.

9. Report on results of requalification day and current number of harvesters.

Five harvesters qualified at this time.

10. Discuss format of reports to council.

The Committee held a brief discussion of the information which they would like to include in the Chairman's report to City Council. Since this is a pilot program, it was determined that as much as possible; the report would consist of statistics. These are quantifiable and should benefit the Council and City Manager to evaluate. It was generally agreed that the Council report would be an outline style report which would include: the number of animals harvested, the number of animals donated to the Venison Recipient List, the number of animals unrecovered, the number of significant issues (zero, at this point), the number of hours that have been donated by the harvesters so far – with the calculation of how much this would be worth if the City had to pay them minimum wage to harvest and calculation of the value of the venison donated.

The committee members recognized the work of Tena Collier, who has taken the clerical tasks upon herself. She has been composing forms, reports and doing data entry to keep statistics on the program and the number/location of MLD tags. She's done a great job.

11. Field citizen questions, discuss, explain, and address concerns (for continued education of the residents) related to the Pilot Plan for Deer Management, starting Oct. 4th. (Ord. 685)

There were no citizens present.

12. Identify Future Agenda items/ Adjourn

Time change will modify the time(s) for the evening hunts.

There being no further business and no objections from the members of the Committee, Chair Brady adjourned the meeting at 8:14 PM.

The next Wildlife Advisory Committee meeting will be held December 1, 2016. This is due to Thanksgiving holidays.

I, Jason Brady, Chairman of the Wildlife Advisory Committee for the City of Granite Shoals, Texas, certify that the attached are true and correct minutes taken from recordings and notes of the Wildlife Advisory Committee meeting of October 27, 2016.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_