

MINUTES OF MEETING OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES COMMISSION AT PALMETTO BLUFF
SEPTEMBER 2, 1969

The South Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission held its regular monthly meeting at Palmetto Bluff, Beaufort County, South Carolina, at 4:00 p. m. on Tuesday, September 2, 1969. Present were Commissioners Eltzroth, Eppes, Williams, Glenn and Rhame, Major Cantey, Jim Webb, Jeff Fuller, Charlie Bearden, Ed Latimer, Fred Ramage, Joe Logan and Lt. Harry Coker of the South Carolina State Highway Department.

The minutes of the August 15 meeting were read and approved.

Following the executive session, the Commission discussed the request by Clemson University and North Carolina State University for the South Carolina Wildlife Resources Department to join with them in sponsoring an Estuarine Management Symposium at Charleston on 8 and 9 June 1970. This acceptance was moved by Mr. Glenn, seconded by Mr. Rhame and passed unanimously.

The Commission discussed the Fire Ant Control program planned by Clemson University and the U. S. Agriculture Department. Mr. Webb and Mr. Bearden stated that the plan called for spreading Mirex by airplanes on approximately four (4) million acres of land from North Edisto River to Santee River and inland to the Columbia area, and an area in Horry County. The plan calls for three (3) applications each year for a six (6) year period, beginning in September 1969. Helicopters will be used to spread the Mirex on coastal islands and land adjacent to the estuarine areas. The Commission requested Mr. Webb and Mr. Bearden to conduct a study to determine if the Mirex program would affect any wildlife, fish and shellfish and to report their findings to the Commission at the earliest possible time. This was moved by Mr. Rhame, seconded by Mr. Eppes and passed unanimously.



Appointments were approved for William K. Chastain of Greenville and James C. Sims of Taylors as salaried Conservation Officers, subject to the approval of the Greenville County legislative delegation. This was moved by Mr. Eppes, seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously approved.

Mr. Webb requested permission to file certain Rules and Regulations for all lakes owned and operated by the South Carolina Wildlife Resources Department. Approval was moved by Mr. Williams, seconded by Mr. Eppes and passed unanimously.

A letter from Walt Schrader was received as information.

Mr. Webb requested that a job classification be approved for a Safety Training Officer. Following a discussion, approval was moved by Mr. Rhame, seconded by Mr. Eppes and passed unanimously.

Mr. Webb stated that he had interviewed certain men to fill the job of keeping records on equipment.

Mr. Rhame stated that he would give a brief report at the next meeting on his meeting with the Florida Wildlife Commission.

On the motion of Mr. Eppes, the meeting was adjourned.

Ed Latimer

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