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# New Hampshire Fish and Game Department

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Scott R. Mason  
 Executive Director

April 29, 2022

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
 and the Honorable Council  
 State House  
 Concord, NH 03301

### Requested Action

Pursuant to RSA 206:33-A authorize New Hampshire Fish and Game to accept a \$5,040.00 donation from the Capital Group American Funds from the date of Governor and Council approval through June 30, 2022. Funds to be deposited as follows:

Funds to be deposited into 020 07500 21250000 402766 Non-Game Donations	<u>FY 2022</u>
	\$5,040.00

### Explanation

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department received a donation from the Capital Group American Funds, directed to the Nongame & Endangered Wildlife Program from Eugene and Judy Ratta Harrington. The Nongame & Endangered Wildlife Program relies on private donations, in part, to support the state's conservation efforts of nongame wildlife.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission voted unanimously to accept this donation at their April 12 2022 meeting (See attached minutes, Action Item 2j).

Respectfully submitted,

Scott R. Mason  
 Executive Director

Kathy Ann LaBonte, Chief  
 Business Division

- 2d.) The Commission accepted the donation of \$5,000 from the Meredith Rotary Club, Meredith, NH, made to the Aquatic Education Program, to assist with renovations to the Discovery Room.
- 2e.) The Commission to accept the donation of \$5,500 from Trout Unlimited NH State Council, made to the “Let’s Go Fishing” Program, to be utilized to purchase a new chiller for the Discovery Room cold water tank.
- 2f.) The Commission accepted the donation of \$165.00 from Lonnie Schorer, Moultonborough, NH, to be utilized for moose management.
- 2g.) The Commission accepted the donation of \$285.00 from Jodi & Marc Goudreau, Manchester, NH, to be deposited into the Small Gifts & Donations Account.
- 2h.) The Commission accepted the donation of \$500.00 from Matthew & Kimberly Noyes, Merrimack, NH, in memory of Paul Hoffman, to be deposited into the Small Gifts & Donations Account.
- 2i.) The Commission accepted the donation of \$50.00 from Margaret Meyette, Cornish, NH, to be deposited into the Small Gifts & Donations Account.
- 2j.) The Commission accepted the donation of \$5,040.00 from Eugene & Judy Ratta Harrington, Nashua, NH, to be deposited in the Nongame Program Account.

3.) Dianne Timmins, Chief, Inland Fisheries Division, came before the Commission, as a follow up to last month’s request to expend up to \$30,000 from the Fisheries Habitat Account to hire four seasonal employees in FY’22 & FY’23, in order to conduct fish habitat surveys in the Saco River, Connecticut River, and other northern watersheds.

Commissioner Green moved to amend the expenditure amount to \$25,000 and Commissioner Hodgson seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Commissioner Green reported that his motion reflected information learned last month that the amount requested was in error.

4.) Rulemaking requiring approval by Commission:

Commissioner Green moved to readopt **Fis 600 Sections** – Marine Fishing rules that were set to expire February 28, 2022 (Advisory Committee on Marine Fisheries hearing was April 5, 2022), Commissioner Lachance seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

Rulemaking requiring consultation with Commission:

Commissioner Green moved to support the re-adoption of the following and Commissioner Lachance seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

**Fis 303.02 & .03** – Small fur-bearers, set to expire June 5, 2022

**Fis 807.11 & Fis 1110.09 & .10** – Derelict gear clean-up surcharges & exemptions

## NEW HAMPSHIRE FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT

### APRIL 12, 2022 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Location: Camp Sentinel, 29 Sentinel Lodge Rd., Center Tuftonboro, NH 03816.

Commissioners Present: M. Lachance, B. Temple, M. Hodgson, E. Stohl, S. Price, A.J. Derosa, P. DeBow, R. Green, & P. McInnis

Commissioners absent/excused: J. Caveney & C. Hodgdon

Executive Director Mason – Present

Chairman Stohl called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m., and asked the audience to join in the pledge of allegiance. He informed the audience that the public is entitled to attend all Commission meetings and when recognized by the Chairman, the public may speak on any item on the agenda. The Chair reserves the right to limit comment to the extent necessary for the orderly conduct of the meeting.

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Commissioner Green moved to approve the March 8, 2022 Commission Meeting Minutes and Commissioner Price seconded.

2.) Consent Agenda - The following items were grouped together and noticed as consent agenda items to expedite action on routine matters, which may not require public discussion. The Commission voted to approve these matters as presented. Commission members may remove certain items if further public input or discussion is deemed necessary.

Commissioner Green moved to accept consent agenda items 2a-2j, as presented below, and Commissioner Temple seconded. The vote was unanimous in the affirmative.

2a.) The Commission accepted the following donations made to the Search & Rescue Account:

- Two donations totaling \$765.00, from Laura Chandler.
- The donation of \$50.00 from Bette Frazier.

2b.) The Commission accepted the donation of \$200.00 from Judith Thompson, to be deposited into the Operation Game Thief Account.

2c.) The Commission accepted the following donations in memory of Paul E. Fortin, Laconia, NH:

- The donation of \$50.00 from Verna Jo Carignan, Laconia, NH, to be utilized by the "Let's Go Fishing" Program.
- The donation of \$50.00 from Rick & Anita Carignan, Moultonborough, NH, to be deposited into the Small Gifts & Donations Account.