



Larry Hogan, Governor
Boyd Rutherford, Lt. Governor
Mark Belton, Secretary
Joanne Throwe, Deputy Secretary

Meeting of the Sport Fisheries Advisory Commission
October 18, 2016
C-1 Conference Room
DNR Tawes Office Building
580 Taylor Ave
Annapolis, MD 21403

Summary of Motions & Actions

Commissioners in Attendance: Chairman Bill Goldsborough, Vice-Chairman Dave Sikorski, Ed O'Brien, Jim Gracie, Mark DeHoff, Phil Langley, Roger Trageser, Rachel Dean, Micah Dammeyer, Chris Pittas (proxy for Beverly Fleming), John Neely, Rob Hardy, Dr Ray Morgan and later his proxy - Grant Soukup, Val Lynch and David Smith (proxy for James Wommack).

Commissioners Absent and Not Represented: Tim Smith.

DNR Staff Attending: Fisheries Director Dave Blazer, Sgt. Donald Mackall, Paul Genovese, Mike Luisi, Tony Prochaska, George O'Donnell, Jacob Holtz, Brenda Davis, Bruce Michaels, Tom Parham, Jim Uphoff, Paul Piavis, Allison Cordell

Members of the Public Attending: John Page Williams, Ken Lewis, Chris Welsh, Eddie Green, Steve Chaconas, Lee Blount

Action Items:

- SFAC 2017 meeting dates/times approved.
- Commissioners are to review and submit comment on the Fisheries FY2016 Budget Report, comments are due November 18.
- Commission requested to review 2017 MDOT Work Plan, staff will distribute once report is ready.
- Staff will report out to commission on all finfish trotline reporting, purpose to see effectiveness, by-catch.
- Staff will review and report out on striped bass tournament policy (catch & release only prior to May 1). Commission will recommend continued support or change in policy after discussion.
- Formation of subcommittee to review/discuss/report out to commission on departments recommendation to alter the yellow perch FMP in order to manage commercial overages in a more reasonable way when they occur. SFAC members on subcommittee include Jim Gracie and David Sikorski, TFAC members are Steve Lay and Billy Rice.
- SFAC/TFAC Spot/Croaker/White Perch Workgroup meeting pushed back until ASMFC assessment is complete.
- Staff will review the Black Bass Subcommittee's recommendations and prepare information for Q&A session in an effort to support the subcommittee chair when reporting recommendations to the commission. Commission will advise department on whether or not to move forward with recommendations.

Motions:

- SFAC voted unanimously to form an Outreach Subcommittee, the subcommittee will review the departments current outreach tools and discuss/recommend new ideas. Motion submitted by Jim Gracie, seconded by Dave Smith. SFAC members on subcommittee include Jim Gracie, Micah Dammeyer, John Kneely, Rob Hardy, Dave Smith and Phil Langley.

Tentative Agenda Items for Next Meeting:

Next Meeting Date:

January 24, 2017

To be held in the Conference Room C-1 of the Tawes Building from 2:00-5:00 PM.