

County Deer Advisory Council

March 2016 Meeting Agenda



The council will review and act on items listed on this agenda.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Organizational Matters - *Chair*

a. Call to order

b. Roll call *Alternate chair (acting as secretary/note-taker) should call the roll using the roster of members that have been appointed. For the benefit of new members and the public, have each council member identify the seat/stakeholder group they are representing.*

You should include in the role the DNR staff/Liaisons present, but remember that they do not count towards the quorum which is needed to conduct business. If you don't have a quorum, no action can be taken.

Also please note that a quorum is a majority of the voting committee members (seats filled, not including the alternate chair who is a non-voting member or the seats that have not yet been filled). So, for example, if your CDAC only has 4 members including the chair and alternate, only one voting member needs to be present in addition to the chair to conduct business (because then 2 voting members would be present for a council that has 3 voting members).

c. Agenda approval or repair *No agenda items can be added. The agenda should either be approved as written, or "repaired" to take noticed agenda items in a different order if council members agree. If agenda items are moved, please be sure public comments are taken before the preliminary quota is discussed and determined.*

d. Approval of minutes *This gives council members the opportunity to approve the minutes as written or request changes be made. It will provide some accountability that the minutes are done in a timely manner and will afford the councilors the ability to approve or discuss changes to what was recorded to ensure accuracy.*

e. Review the CDAC Charter *This will help keep the reasons you're all here in the front of your mind when discussing issues.*

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f. Review meeting and discussion etiquette *Read the Meeting Etiquette statement/agreement provided.*

2. Review of 2015 deer season results and quota setting process - *Wildlife liaison*
The wildlife liaison will provide a presentation of 2015 final harvest numbers and other information about the 2015 deer seasons, and then move into presenting information on setting harvest quotas and permit levels for 2016. We suggest running the harvest numbers, open it up to #3 public appearances, and then pick it up again to dive into quota setting.

3. Public appearances/comments

(Citizens who wish to speak to the council must sign up at the meeting prior to the beginning of the meeting. Comments will be limited to 3 minutes for each speaker.)

Citizens should use the appearance slips/comment cards. Chairs can use the cards to identify those persons who wish to speak or can share with the council the comments of those persons who have comments, but do not want to speak. For the minutes, please take notes of who is speaking and their comments to the Council. DNR Wildlife liaisons need to retain these appearance slips/comment cards for 30 days following the meeting, so please be sure he/she has them when the meeting is complete.

4. 2016 Deer Season Recommendations

- a. Determination of preliminary quota and permit recommendations
- b. Determination of additional season options, if available, in the county.
- c. Complete Preliminary 2016 Deer Harvest Quota and Permit Recommendation Form
 - **Deadline to submit form is March 25**

Following discussion by the council and the presentation of the wildlife liaison, the group should determine a preliminary harvest quota and permit recommendations using the “2016 Deer Harvest Quota and Permit Recommendation Form” found under Member Resources on the CDAC website. There are two forms available, and you should use the one that best fits your county: one for counties split by two zones, and another if you county falls completely within one zone. Whichever form you use, it should be completed at the meeting.

The public and the NRB will be reviewing these forms to gain an understanding of how you came to your decision, so please elaborate a little on the rationale that led you to the preliminary recommendation. Again, the chair may vote, but to preserve the appearance of a neutral facilitator, should refrain from doing so unless it is the determining vote in the decision (i.e. makes or breaks a tie).

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Recommendation forms are due by March 25 and should be submitted by sending it by email to DNRCDACWebMail@Wisconsin.gov. Remember, we have to hit this date because the forms become available for the public to review and provide comments on.

5. County specific issues/concerns *If the council has any additional deer management concerns that are not specifically germane to the scope of the CDAC, those can be discussed here. Anything that the department currently does not have the authority to implement or that requires a rule change will follow a separate implementation path. The minutes are the vehicle by which these issues/concerns are identified by the department, so clear and accurate minutes are important.*
6. Council member matters *Council members can discuss items not on the agenda, but no action can be taken.*
7. Adjournment

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