



**NOTICE OF AGENDA
GRANITE SHOALS WILDLIFE ADVISORY
COMMITTEE
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2026 AT 6:00 PM**

City of Granite Shoals City Hall, 2221 N. Phillips Rd., Granite Shoals, TX 78654
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MINUTES

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call/ Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

Members in attendance: Mark Henshaw, Keith Rogers, Jeff Herzog, Matt Campbell, and James Matula.

Also in attendance were Brian Edwards, Catherine Bell, Steve Hougen, and John Ortis.

2. Citizen Comments

- No citizen comments.

3. Consent Agenda

- 3.a. Discuss and consider approval of meeting minutes from January 5, 2026.

Moved by Jeff Herzog; seconded by James Matula to approve meeting minutes from January 5, 2026.

Motion Passed: 5 - 0

Voting For: Mark Henshaw, James Matula, Keith Rogers, Jeff Herzog, Matthew Campbell

4. Discussion Items

- 4.a. Discuss all harvesting metrics to date.

- Harvest metrics as of this meeting are 254 deer harvested with 183 donated.
- The committee is expecting another round of processed deer (ground burger) to be received from Hudson's in March.
- We will coordinate with city leadership on distribution to citizens of GS when it is available.

- 4.b. Discuss status of the earn-a-buck program including total tags earned and remaining

as well as consider if any changes are needed to further incentivize donations.

- No changes to the “Earn a Buck” program were recommended.

4.c. Discuss and consider dual harvesting and trapping next year and how this might impact the harvesting program.

- Dual harvesting and trapping programs for next season were discussed.
- Unknown variables make it difficult to predict what impact trapping will have on harvesting and vice versa.

5. Action Items

5.a. Designate two-member team to organize harvester appreciation event or activity.

- James Matula and Matt Campbell volunteered to organize the harvester appreciation event.

5.b. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on the status of the harvester appreciation event menu, budget, timing and logistics.

- Harvester appreciation event was scheduled for 1100-1400 pm 21 February at the Granite Shoals Fire Department in the vehicle bays.
- Menu will primarily be a catfish fry with side dishes and deserts, and a pot of venison chili.
- Planning will continue to ensure a successful event.

5.c. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action on the plan for harvest location take-downs and storage after the season ends.

- Harvest location setups were discussed and with input from Chief Ortis, the decision was made to remove all equipment from harvest sites until just prior to next season.
- February 12th and 17th were set as work days to accomplish this.
- All equipment will be stored at the Deer Shed location just south of City Hall.

5.d. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action to determine and appoint who will be the point person to check on the status of future meat distributions from Hudson's, including timing & approximate pounds of venison.

- Keith Rogers will be the committee point person for communications with Hudson's Meat on the delivery of our next/final ground venison distribution.
- He will coordinate with Chief Ortis on distribution plans.

6. Future Agenda Items

- Future agenda items suggested including a repeat of agenda items 4a and 5b, as well as discussion about our first season lessons learned, proposed improvements and possible budget requirements for next season.
- Also, discuss moving most, if not all, of our record keeping to digital format and a need for a laptop to do so.

7. Adjournment

With no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 6:32 PM.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the above minutes are true and correct from the Wildlife Advisory Committee meeting of February 2, 2026.

Mark Henshaw, Chair _____