



Police Department

DATE: April 9, 2024

FROM: Dave Draovitch, Police Chief

ITEM: Annual Deer and Turkey Archery Hunting Program on City Properties

REQUEST:

Permission to Conduct the Annual Deer and Turkey Archery Hunting Program on City Properties.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Police Department requests authorization to conduct the Annual Deer and Turkey Archery Hunting Program on select City properties. This hunting season will begin September 1st and will coincide with the archery season set forth by the ND Game and Fish Department. The deer hunting program is an annual program which has been in existence since 1987. The turkey hunting program was initially approved by the Board in 2008 and has been successfully conducted each year, with the exception of 2011 when it was canceled due to the flood. Both programs have aided in controlling the problems associated with wild deer and turkeys entering areas of Bismarck, especially the residential areas of the southwest portion of the City. All hunters must possess a valid ND archery to participate in the programs. The Animal Control section of the PD issues trespass permits to hunters who wish to participate in the Archery Hunting Program. There will be 25 permits issued for the season on a first-come-first-served basis. Animal Control staff provides instructions and maps of specific authorized City property and monitors those selected to participate in the program.

RECOMMENDED CITY COMMISSION ACTION:

Authorization to conduct the Archery Hunting Program on City Properties

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION:

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ATTACHMENTS:

1. 2024 Deer-Turkey Archery Hunting Program



To: Dave Draovitch, Chief of Police

From: ACW Woodcock

Date: April 1st, 2024

Subject: Annual Deer/Turkey Archery Hunting program

The Bismarck Animal Control is requesting this be placed on the next agenda for the commission to approve the archery hunting program in designated area within the city limits. The areas included in this program consist of the Airport property east of the Airway Avenue and south of Lincoln Road and a small section of land north of Lincoln Road, also the area east of the archery range and horse arena extending south to Burleigh Ave to include the area surrounding the Waste water treatment plant.

The Hunting Season will begin September 1st and will coincide with the archery season set forth by the Game and Fish Department. There will be 25 permits issued again this year for the season, this is the same amount of permits as last year, we saw increased numbers of deer being harvested and received less complaints in general of the hunting season, it will remain on a first come basis. As in years past the permit will be issued by the Police Department and the animal control staff will provide instructions, and maps to all participating in the program.

Thank you

Logan Woodcock
Animal Control Warden

Dave Draovitch, Chief of Police

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