

VILAS COUNTY SNOWMOBILE TRAIL SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes of June 19, 2014 Meeting

Vilas County Courthouse, Conference Rooms 2 & 3, Eagle River, WI

PRESENT: Rocky Cafferella, Chair; Kim Simac, Vice Chair; Art Kunde, County Board Supervisor; Dale Mayo, VC Parks & Recreation Administrator; Cindy Burzinski, VC Tourism/Publicity; Gina Egan, VC Public Health; Gerard Ritter, VC Sheriff's Dept.; Tim Price, DNR Law Enforcement; Leo Crawley, Alliance Rep NW; Stan Guif, Alliance Rep SW

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Mike Keintz, Alliance Rep NE; Holly Tomlanovich, Alliance Rep SE

GUESTS: Ken Anderson, County Board supervisor

Meeting called to order at 9:00 am by Mayo.

Motion by Kunde, second by Simac to nominate Cafferella as committee chair. Motion passed unanimously. Cafferella assumed chair duties.

Motion by Kunde second by Cafferella to nominate Simac as vice chair. Motion passed unanimously.

Verification of posting of meeting - Mayo

Approve agenda to be discussed in any order at the discretion of the Chair. Motion by Kunde. Second by Crawley. Motion carried.

Approval of minutes from the March 28, 2014 meeting. Motion by to accept minutes Burzinski. Second by Kunde. Motion carried.

Budget Report – Mayo – As of March 28, 2014 beginning budget balance of \$2,281.00. Expense of \$110 – WJFW Safety Spots. Income & Donations - none. June 19, 2014 balance on hand \$2,171.00.

Public Health - Egan – Northwoods Children Museum did well last year with the snowmobile safety display without much need of updates. Egan would like to have recommendations for Maternal child Grant. Recommendations should target children. Discussion on getting our safety messages out via YouTube or a Facebook page. Cafferella will ask the Alliance Youth Representative Dave Mendham if he would assist.

DNR Report – Price – Delivered the mobile billboard trailer from Madison. Price received 8 banners. They needed to be returned due to wrong grommet placement, should have them back and the trailer on the landscape within the next two weeks. This committee will assist with logistics including contacting Towns for permission for placement.

Alliance Report – None

Advertising, Public Relations – Burzinski – Presented quote on the Safety Message coasters. The coasters will have "Ride Right" "Ride Safe" "Slow Down" printed on them. Motion by Mayo to purchase 8000 item #237-RD coasters at a cost of \$1,078.42. Second by Crawley. Motion carried. Suggestion to have clubs place a link to Chanel 12 commercials on their Snowtracks page.

Sheriff's Report – Ritter – Discussion on a Vilas County Recreation officer that would work recreation including boating, ATV, and snowmobile patrol. Motion by Kunde second by Cafferella to recommend to Forestry, Recreation & Land Committee to pursue funding this position.

Parks & Recreation Administrator Report – Mayo – Fat tire bikes was addressed at the Forestry, Recreation & Land Committee. Recommendation sent to Corporation Council to amend Vilas County Traffic Code 7.05 to include fat tire bikes as listed not to operate on snowmobile trails between December 1 and April 15.

Member Items – Proposed change to standing rules(attached) to enhance this committee to Vilas County Recreational Trails Safety Committee. Proposed language passed through Legislative and Judicial Committee with the exception of an ATV representative. Motion by Guif second by Kunde to strike the words “and to the Vilas County Snowmobile Alliance” in item 5. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Guif second by Burzinski to strike the words “shall be advisory in nature and” in item 5. Motion passed unanimously.

2015 budget – Motion by Simac second by Crawley to recommend to Forestry, Recreation and land Committee to increase the Parks & Recreation line item for the Snowmobile Trail Safety Committee to \$5,000.00 Motion passed unanimously

Date for next meeting – Thursday, August 21, 2014 – 9am – Vilas County Courthouse Rooms 2 & 3.

Adjourn – 11:00am by Chair Cafferella

Respectfully submitted by Dale Mayo

VIII. RECREATIONAL TRAILS SAFETY COMMITTEE

1. It shall be comprised of: a county board supervisor from Forestry, Recreation, and Land Committee, a county board supervisor to represent equestrian interests, an additional county board supervisor appointed by the County Board Chairperson, the Parks & Recreation Administrator, Sheriff's Department, Public Health Department and Tourism & Publicity Department, a member of the DNR law enforcement, the president or vice president of the Vilas County Snowmobile Alliance, four additional representative from local snowmobile clubs representing the four quadrants of the County, a representative from a Vilas County ATV club and a representative from a Vilas County bicycle group.
2. It shall coordinate efforts to enhance public safety on local recreational trails.
3. It shall coordinate efforts to improve communications between law enforcement and local clubs/organizations for the purpose of accident reduction.
4. It shall support the Vilas County Snowmobile Alliance and other recreational groups in their efforts to promote safe snowmobiling, safer trails and positive public relations regarding all Vilas County recreational trails.
5. It shall be advisory in nature and shall report to the Forestry, Recreation and Land Committee and to the Vilas County Snowmobile Alliance to promote a united effort to improve recreational trail safety.