

VILAS COUNTY SNOWMOBILE TRAIL SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes of August 21, 2014 Meeting

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

PRESENT: Rocky Cafferella, Committee Chair; Art Kunde, Vilas Cty Supervisor; Dale Mayo, VC Parks & Recreation Administrator; Gerald Ritter, VC Sheriff's Dept.; Tim Price, DNR Law Enforcement; Gina Egan, VC Public Health; Holly Tomlanovich, Alliance Rep SE; Leo Crawley, Alliance Rep NW.

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Cindy Burzinski, VC Tourism/Publicity; Mike Keintz, Alliance Rep NE; Stan Guif, Alliance Rep SW.

GUESTS: Ken Anderson, VC Supervisor; Diane Shey; Eric Rady, Oneida Cty Forest & Recreation Coordinator

Meeting called to order at 9am by Chair Cafferella

Verification of posting of meeting - Mayo

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

Approval of minutes from the June 19, 2014 meeting. Motion by Kunde. Second by Egan. Motion carried.

Budget Report – Mayo – Opening Balance of \$2171.00. No activity. Balance as of August 21, 2014, \$2171.00. Mayo explained Budget & Outside Revenue. Working to increase budget from \$1000 to \$5000. Clarification of authorization of expenditures was sought by Committee Chair, Cafferella. On spending issues there will be a vote by the entire committee to determine they want to move forward with the expenditures. The County Supervisors on the Committee will then vote to actually spend the funds.

Public Health – Egan- No update on grant monies.

DNR Report – Price – The Safety trail & sign was at the State Fair. Now at the local DNR office for repair of bungee cords. Planned locations in the County include Home Town Shopko area, Downtown Eagle River, Hwy 45N across from Derby Inn, & locations along Hwy 51. The DNR is interested in purchasing more trailers. Banners for Fall & Winter are in production. These will cost \$350 per banner. The initial purchase of the banners was done at the time of the purchase of the trailer & were discounted to \$250.

Alliance Report – Crawley – No report. First meeting of the season is September 17 in Conover.

Advertising, Public Relations – Mayo – Advertising on WJFW-12 in Rhinelander will be a joint effort with Oneida County. Oneida County will contribute up to \$750 for the winter season. Both Oneida County Snowmobile Council & Vilas County Snowmobile Trail Safety Committee will appear on the advertising.

Safety message coasters will be delivered soon & stored at Mayo's office. If arrive before the September Alliance Meeting will be passed out at that meeting.

Sheriff's Report – Ritter – Discussion of the Recreation Officer position. Kunde reported has been presented & passed by Law Enforcement Committee & Finance Committee. Reviewed by Parks & Recreation. It will be reviewed by the Finance Director and Human Resources.

Recreation Administrator Report – Mayo – Offered full explanation of Ordinance 2014-08A which was amended to add the word "bicycle" to 7.05 Vehicles on Snowmobile Trails Prohibited.

Member Items - Copies of Resolution 2014-50 were presented for review. Passed by Highway, Legislative & Judicial & Forestry Committees. Moving to the full County Board as a Joint Resolution, August 26, 2014. The

resolution will amend the standing rule of the Snowmobile Safety Committee to amend to Recreational Trails Committee. Discussion as to the make-up of the Committee. User groups & make up of the Committee.

Anderson reported on a Department of Tourism report re: ATV usage. 90% trail ride; 50% use for hunting & 42% use for ice fishing. \$295 million generated. 255,536 registered which out numbers snowmobiles in the State. \$4 million generated in gas tax.

Mayo reported that due to the illness of Keintz' wife he will have to step away from the Committee.

Date for next meeting – Thursday, September 18, 2014 – 9am – Vilas County Courthouse Rooms 2 & 3.

Adjourn – 10am by Chair Cafferella

Respectfully submitted by Holly A. Tomlanovich

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