

# Northeast Regional ATV Joint Powers Board Meeting Minutes

## SLC Public Works, Large Conference Room

### May 18, 2026

**Board Members Present:** Paul McDonald (St. Louis County Commissioner), Mike Jugovich (St. Louis County), Ricky Roche (Koochiching County Commissioner), Rick Goutermont (Lake County)

**Others Present:** Jason Chopp, Jim Beauregard, Ron Potter, Eric Fallstrom, Ray Howard, Jamier Kilgore, Daugherty, Dennis Hendricks, Jason Meyer, Steve Rowan, Alena Raida, Jake Prytarski, Jeff Anderson, Sarah Ciochetto, Chris Rokke

- I. **Call To Order/Establishment of Quorum:**
  - Meeting was called to order by Chair McDonald at 2:02 PM
  
- II. **Agenda Approval:**
  - Commissioner Jugovich/Roche motioned to approve the meeting agenda.
  - Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
  
- III. **Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2026**
  - Goutermont/Roche motioned to approve the meeting minutes.
  - Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
  
- IV. **Public Comments:**
  - None
  
- V. **Regular Agenda:**
  1. Legislative and Funding Update
    - Legislative session is complete. General review of bills and accomplishments
    - ATV registration fee increase did not pass.
    - ATV weight definition did not pass.
    - Anti-ATV bill did not pass.
    - LCCMR bill did pass.
  2. Mesabi Trail – Sarah Ciochetto
    - Overview of the Mesabi Trail progress, and proposed bridge crossing project from Mountain Iron to Virginia. No current funding successes. Looking for potential partnership with ATV groups moving forward.
    - Update on Arrowhead Trail Coalition, working on community outreach meetings and anticipate another trail conference in June 2026.
  3. IRRR Trail Funding Request
    - Draft Application submitted to the JPB for review
      - Prospector ATV - \$500,000
        - \$400,000 is for match for existing project. \$100,000 for Range River Project.

- Quad Cities ATV - \$340,000 for construction associated with Virginia Trailhead Project. Dennis to review match money validity with Club
- Expecting \$300,000 from Ranger ATV for Trailhead Project. Submittal pending.
- JPB to meet with IRRR to discuss 10% project cap on engineering for grants.
- TTF grant application for trail counters discussion. JPB to draft a letter in support of the application. Tom Daugherty to draft application for 11 cameras and software.

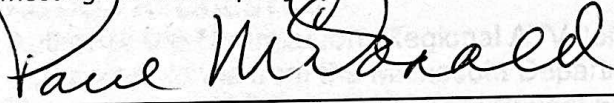
4. Other Items of Interest

- Ride and Roast Recap. 261 people in attendance. Event was a success.
- Trail clean up bags should be arriving soon and distributed to participating clubs June.

VI. Adjournment:

- Commissioner's Jugovich/Roche motioned to adjourn at 2:54 pm. Motion carried unanimously (4-0).
- Next meeting will be held on June 15 at 2:00 pm at the St Louis County Public Works Office.

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Jason J. Chopp.



Commissioner Paul McDonald, Chair

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