

Northeast Regional ATV Joint Powers Board Meeting Minutes
SLC Virginia Public Works Facility
7823 Hwy 135, Virginia, MN
August 21, 2023

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

Others Present: Jason Chopp, Eric Fallstrom, , Ron Potter, Roxanne Tea, Jeff Mogush, Jim Bearegaard, Tim Rund, Nathan Heibel, Kristin Anderson, Joe Majerus, Chris Pinkert, Rich Floyd, Brigid Tuck, Bruce Bestie, Jeff Anderson

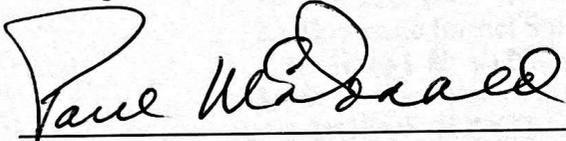
- I. **Call To Order/Establishment of Quorum:**
 - Meeting called to order by McDonald at 2:03 PM
- II. **Agenda Approval:**
 - Commissioner’s Roche/Jugovich motioned to approve the meeting agenda.
 - Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- III. **Approval of Minutes from July 17, 2023**
 - Commissioner’s Goutermont/Roche motioned to approve the meeting minutes.
 - The motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- IV. **Public Comments:**
 - None
- V. **Regular Agenda:**
 1. Funding Update
 - Received final feedback on club requests and SEH will be working with Costin group to prepare the FY24 IRRRB Trails funding applications.
 2. Board Letter 23-04 – ATV Sound Study
 - Board Letter 23-04 was presented to the board for review. This would authorize the board to enter into a contract with OHV Acoustics in the amount of \$4,000 to provide an ATV Sound Study in Eagles Nest Township. Prospector ATV Club is contributing \$2,000 towards the study.
 - Commissioner’s Goutermont/Jugovich motioned to approve the meeting minutes.
 - The motion carried unanimously (4-0)
 3. Economic Impact Study
 - Brigid provided an update that they were currently in a holding pattern waiting for traffic counts and more survey data that will be received after the fall riding season. The clubs requested more survey cards to be sent. Brigid will follow up.
 - Additional survey cards were mailed out in June to Bruce and Jim.
 4. Statewide Master Plan Update

- Ron indicated that the DNR has recently hired a new planner. The DNR is hoping the plan will be ready for public review in 2 months.
- 5. NE Regional Masterplan Update
 - Jason informed the group that comments have been received by all of the land agencies. The planning team will be compiling the comments for review and provide plan edits as necessary. SEH hopes to have a draft plan developed in the next few months.
- 6. 2023 Ride and Rally – Giants Ridge
 - General discussion planning activities. The gold outing will not occur on Thursday. There are already over 140 registrants for the VIP ride on Friday.
- 7. Other Items of Interest
 - None

VI. **Adjournment:**

- Commissioner's Roche/ Jugovich motioned to adjourn at 2:34 pm. Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- Next meeting will be held on September 18, 2023, at 2:00 pm at the Virginia Public Works Vermillion Room.

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Jason Chopp.



Commissioner Paul McDonald, Chair

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