

Northeast Regional ATV Joint Powers Board Meeting Minutes
SLC Virginia Public Works Facility
7823 Hwy 135, Virginia, MN
December 18, 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, Ron Potter, Nathan Heibel, Joe Majerus, Bruce Beste, Jeff Anderson, Julie Marinucci, Tim Engrav, Joe Majerus, Eric Fallstrom, Steve Koch, Kurt Kennedy, Adam Cochran, Tom Baumchen, Brigid Tuck, Ray Howard, Jamie Kilgore, Steve Rowaz, Beth Pierce,

- I. **Call To Order/Establishment of Quorum:**
 - Meeting called to order by McDonald at 2:02 PM
- II. **Agenda Approval:**
 - Commissioner’s Jugovich/Roch motioned to approve the meeting agenda.
 - Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- III. **Approval of Minutes from November 20, 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
 - Jeff provided an update regarding the upcoming legislative session that is scheduled to kick-off February 12th. Bonding Bill and ATV Dedicated Funding was discussed. ATVMN Legislative Summitt is scheduled for June 13th.
 - Jeff is planning on submitting IRRR Trail applications for Wild Country ATV, and Alborn Dirt Devils this week.
 - Bruce discussed the issues with the Voyageur Bonding Funds. Jeff recommended that a funding extension should be requested.
 2. Economic Impact Study
 - Brigid provided an update that over 1,200 surveys were received and she is waiting on trail counter data.
 - It was confirmed at the meeting that both the Ridge Runners and Quad Cities did not have any trail counter data to provide. Jason will email Brigid the trail counter data that he received from the other clubs.
 3. Statewide Master Plan Update
 - Ron provided an update that the draft plan is with the DNR commissioners office for review.
 4. NE Regional Masterplan Update
 - Jason provided an update that a draft plan for internal review is anticipated in January. With that said, the newly formed Head of the Lakes ATV Riders Club

has requested to be added to the plan. It was agreed upon by the JPB to add them to the master plan. Jason notified the board that this would delay the delivery schedule of the plan by approximately 1 month and require a fee amendment.

5. SEH Contract Amendment
 - o The draft Amendment No. 2 was presented for SEH Administrative Services.
 - o Commissioner's Jugovich/Roche motioned to approve the SEH Amendment.
 - o The motion carried unanimously (4-0)
6. 2024 Meeting Schedule
 - o The 2024 Meeting Schedule was presented to the board.
 - o Commissioner's Goutermont/Roche motioned to approve the meeting schedule with exception of changing the June Meeting from June 24, to June 17.
 - o The motion carried unanimously (4-0)
7. Board Letter 23-05 Authorizing for application and acceptance of ATV Dedicated Account Funding
 - o The BL 23-25 was presented to the JPB.
 - o Commissioner's Goutermont/Roche motioned to approve BL 23-25.
 - o The motion carried unanimously (4-0)
8. Other Items of Interest
 - o None

VI. **Adjournment:**

- Commissioner's Roche/Goutermont motioned to adjourn at 2:35 pm. Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- Next meeting will be held on January 22, 2024, at 2:00 pm at the Virginia Public Works Vermilion Room.

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Jason Chopp.



Commissioner Paul McDonald, Chair

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