

Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
<p><b>1. Call to Order at 10:30 a.m.</b></p>	<p>Members Present: Rob McConnell, Chair; Dave Traczyk, Vice Chair; Ernie Pulvermacher; Bryan Much; Jim Wisneski; Bobby Donahue; Attending via telephone: Adam Harden</p> <p>Others Present: Cathy Burrow, Faith Murray, Jillian Steffes; via phone: Ed Slaminski, Ann Loechler, Gary Eddy - DNR;</p>	
<p><b>2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting</b></p>	<p>One correction needed, the date is August 22, 2016 and needs to be changed to August 23.</p>	<p>Ernie moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting, second by Dave. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.</p>
<p><b>3. Agenda Repair</b></p>	<p>Cathy asked to move the public comment section closer to the front rather than at the end of the meeting.</p>	
<p><b>4. Chair Report</b></p>	<p>Rob announced that Bryan Much was awarded National Off-Highway Vehicle Conservation Council (NOHVCC) State Partner of the Year 2016 for USA and Canada.</p> <p>Bryan also earned the American Motorcyclist Association's (AMA) EAGLES certification. EAGLES: Education, Activism, Growth, Leadership, Expertise, Skills.</p> <p>Bryan was also named the State Coordinator for the AMA in Wisconsin.</p>	
<p><b>5. DNR Reports</b></p>	<p>Gary noted that there currently 21 ATV/UTV fatalities this year. Last year there were a total of 20. Our record year was 2014 with 27 fatalities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 13 of the 21 fatalities (62%) were verified as involving alcohol.</li> <li>• The majority occurred on public roads (15 or 71%) with only 3 on private property and 3 on public trails.</li> </ul> <p>Gary is hearing of more and more complaints related to lax OWI laws related to ATV/UTVs on public roadways. There are 2 sets of laws regulating motorized vehicles on public roadways, those related to licensed motor vehicles and those related to ATVs/UTVs. The</p>	

ATV/UTV laws specific to alcohol use are severely lax and people are realizing that. Specific complaints involve groups of people bar hopping on ATV routes; openly drinking alcohol. At least one complaint was filed with Dept. of Transportation and one with a local legislator. This is something that may garner some attention in the future.

Update on the wetland ID and delineation process. There will be a field visit next week in an effort to identify the flexibility in the guidance for recreation trails that can be followed/implemented statewide.

Storm damage in western Wisconsin. Ten counties received federal emergency declarations the week of October 17<sup>th</sup>. They were:

Adams	Juneau
Chippewa	La Crosse
Clark	Monroe
Crawford	Richland
Jackson	Vernon

Estimates are still coming in, currently most of the damage is to snowmobile trails, there are only 2 counties that have reported damage to ATV trails. Several of the counties that didn't receive the federal declaration do have a great deal of the trail damage. As more firm estimates are received, Cathy will pass that information along. Likely a meeting in mid-late January will be work to award grants for this damage.

Taylor County had a winter-ATV trail application that was deferred by the Council. Snowmobile Rec. Council funded half. There were other projects that were winter only and did receive 50% funding. Something to consider when final funding decisions are made after storm damage is attended to.

Jillian will be doing a presentation on recreational trails for the Secretary's northern tour. She was asked for several big projects that could be toured. She offered several and the Oneida's Enterprise trail project was chosen. Kurt Thiede, Deputy Secretary will be visiting the site.

	<p>She presented the project as follows: Oneida County Enterprise ATV Trail System – New Trail Construction</p> <p>Oneida County is planning to construct 6.8 miles of new off-road ATV trail near the town of Enterprise in western Oneida County. This new ATV trail would expand the existing Enterprise ATV Trail System, which currently has 10 miles of off-road trail, AND connects to ATV trails in Langlade (Parrish-Highlander ATV Trail) and Lincoln for significant network of off-road ATV trails (Approx 150 miles in all). Oneida has tentatively been awarded grant funds totaling \$415,405 in a combination of ATV grant funds and Recreational Trail Aids grant funds. Other recent grants in this area include ~\$204,000 to Lincoln County in 2014 for development of their connector to Oneida, and ~\$44,000 to Oneida to re-surface the existing Enterprise trail system last year (work still in progress)</p>	
<p><b>6. Public Comment</b></p>	<p>Dale Mayo, Vilas County, spoke of their Conover campground that was approved at \$160K under with information that a Motorized Stewardship grant of \$160K would be offered. The MS grant ended up being \$117K and he was asking that the Council consider funding the shortfall of \$42,664.</p> <p>Total cost for this project is expected to be \$644,297. If Vilas County receives this additional funding they'll have \$320K in grants and are planning to pay the rest \$324,297 from county funds.</p>	<p>Bryan moved to recommend approving this amount to complete the project, second by Ernie. MOTION PASSED.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> This motion will formally be made at the next Council meeting when application amendment and funding decisions are properly noticed on the agenda.</p>
<p><b>7. Storm Damage</b></p>	<p>Discussion regarding possible action taken today.</p>	<p>Bryan moved to approve funding for the 3 counties with final FEMA amounts, second by Jim.</p> <p>Burnett County: \$1,399 Sawyer County: \$4,225 Washburn County: \$16,193 MOTION PASSED.</p> <p>Bryan moved to approve funding up to the amount of \$137,750 for the Bad River tribe when the final FEMA amount is known, second by Ernie. MOTION PASSED. .</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> If the amount goes higher, the Council will need to consider this again.</p>



<b>9. Committee Reports</b>	Committee on feasibility of using more video with applications.	Bryan reported that he and Adam had concluded that ability to record video is readily available, so there is no action that needs to be taken by the Council.  It is possible to send the Trail Patrol Ambassadors to project sites to take videos if needed.
<b>9. Deadhorse Trail</b>	A letter was received from Michael Martin, USFS District Ranger regarding the work done and previous grants for the Deadhorse trail.  The project was discussed.	Action to be taken, Ed will follow-up with USFS on the following issues:  1. Provide a map showing where the incomplete sections of the trails are. 2. Can the USFS standard for boardwalk design be changed to something less expensive to build? 3. What proposal has been made to the Town of Draper regarding forest road 162? Is it possible to find a compromise here that will work as an alternative to the trail going through the wetland?  Answers will be sought and this will be an item on the January agenda.
<b>9. Council Member Items</b>	None.	
<b>10. Next Meeting Date/Location</b>	Tentative date: January 24, 2016  AGENDA ITEM FOR NEXT MEETING Always include Amendments/Funding Decisions on Applications (standing item) Deadhorse Trail Application pre-view meeting agenda will indicate that cost-share percentage preferences will be indicated.	
<b>11. Adjournment</b>		Ernie moved to adjourn, second by Bobby. MOTION PASSED