

Presenter/ Time	Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
	1. Call to Order	<p>Members Present: Jon Schweitzer, Bev Dittmar, Andy Malecki, Dale Mayo, Jerry Green</p> <p>Members Absent: None</p> <p>Others Present: Cathy Burrow, Faith Murray, Beth Norquist, Ann Loechler, Jillian Steffes, Ed Slaminski, Walt Ebersohl - DNR, members of the public and other council members.</p>	
	2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting	A change was made to the previous minutes adding the names to the motion to open the meeting to public comments during the automated trail grooming program discussion.	Motion by Dale Mayo, second by Andy Malecki, to approve the minutes of July 21, 2013. <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u>
	3. Public Comments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The committee was asked to deal with the issue of the 80hp Kubota tractor and its place on the rate sheet. 2. There is a statute that says in order for municipalities to collect gas tax on roads, they must keep those road open and passable at all times. This causes a problem with roads that are used as snowmobile trails in the winter. These are seasonally maintained roads. He asked the council to seek to resolve this issue in such a way that these “seasonally-maintained” roads could still be used as snowmobile trails. <p>A suggestion was made to plow half of the road or to not plow the shoulder, thus keeping it passable for snowmobiles.</p> <p>Another suggestion was to try to work with the</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Jerry Green to recommend that an 80hp Kubota properly fits in the existing rates as a Class B and should stay there. <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u> 2. Committee Chair Jon Schweitzer agreed to look into the situation. He believes there may be a town in his county that receives an exemption because there are no residences on the road. He will report his findings. 3. Clarification from Mike Bruhn Legislative Liaison DNR: “It has already passed the 2nd time. It will be a voted on by the state's electorate in a statewide

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		<p>people who are requesting the roads be plowed.</p> <p>3. The issue of AJR2 a possible constitutional amendment in Wisconsin was raised. The question was asked if it would eliminate the gas tax transfer for the snowmobile fund.</p> <p>4. The issue of a snowmobile trail in Blue Mounds State Park was raised. This trail had been closed several years ago due to a landowner change. It is now possible for the trail to reopen but there are issues with reopening it due to the Master Plan for the property.</p> <p>5. The Union Pacific purchase is very close.</p>	<p>referendum.</p> <p>The key phrase is...except for collections from taxes or fees in existence on December 31, 2010, that were not being deposited in the transportation fund on that date.</p> <p>The snowmobile account was in existence prior to that date... so it is fine.”</p> <p>4. Motion by Jerry Green, second by Andy Malecki, to recommend the council recommend to the DNR to reopen the proposed section of trail in Blue Mounds State Park. <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u></p>
	4. DOT Rates	<p>DOT rates are periodically dropped from the published list. Instead DOT provides a formula to calculate the rates. Proposal that DNR add dropped rates to the approved Council rates as they drop off and that the Infrastructure Committee would reviews annually during the normal rate review & approval process.</p>	<p>Motion by Dale Mayo, second by Jerry Green to recommend in the event that equipment falls off the DOT rate sheets, counties are allowed to revert to the previous year’s rates and those rates will be added to the council’s approved rates to be evaluated annually by the Infrastructure Committee. <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u></p>
	5. Bridge Ranking or Sliding Scale	<p>The bridge ranking document that has been used in the past was presented to the committee. It may need to be used to rate and rank projects during the upcoming funding cycle. Copy of ranking posted with minutes.</p>	<p>Committee removed item #13 CSS Ranking Points.</p>
	6. Automated Trail Grooming Program (ATGP)	<p>The status of this program was discussed. In order to pursue more information needs to be gathered, communication needs to take place and a full demo</p>	<p>Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Dale Mayo to create an ad hoc ATGP committee with Jon Schweitzer as chair</p>

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		<p>needs to happen for the council.</p> <p>In order to proceed in the DNR the business case will have to be detailed and presented to the Information Technology Oversight Board. After that, we'll need to look at funding.</p>	<p>to finish the ATGP project. <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u></p>
	7. WCFA Council Representation	<p>Tara from Iron County appeared to represent the Wisconsin County Forests Association. She read a letter (attached) from WCFA expressing their involvement with snowmobile trails throughout their counties and their desire to be represented on the Council.</p> <p>There was discussion regarding the importance of the council working with WCFA and the lack of diversity on the council.</p> <p>More discussion regarding a council structure.</p>	<p>Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Dale Mayo to allow Tara to speak. <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u></p> <p>Motion by Dale Mayo, second by Bev to create an ad hoc committee to examine the structure of the council. <u>Motion failed.</u></p> <p>Motion by Dale Mayo, second by Jerry Green to create an ad hoc committee to create by-laws including a recommended structure. <u>Motion passed unanimously.</u></p>
	8. Member Packets	<p>Cathy discussed the numerous items that went into the packets for the new appointees and the lack of a transition plan or training plan for them. It was suggested that the ad hoc By-Law committee could also work on this item.</p>	
	9. Member Items	<p>The question was raised about when the MOU for the Communication Process between DNR and County Snowmobile Coordinators for Projects Affecting Snowmobile Trails was finalized.</p>	<p>Cathy will obtain a copy of the finalized MOU to replace the draft copy that is there now.</p>
	10. Adjournment		<p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Bev Dittmar to adjourn the meeting. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>