

<b>Presenter/ Time</b>	<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Key Points</b>	<b>Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments</b>
	<b>1. Call to Order</b>	<p><b>Members Present:</b> Jon Schweitzer-Chair, Andy Malecki, Dale Mayo, Mike Cerny, Bev Dittmar Absent: Jerry Green</p> <p><b>Others Present:</b> Cathy Burrow, Pat Kirsop, Faith Murray, Beth Norquist, Ann Loechler - DNR, members of the public and other council members.</p>	
	<b>2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting</b>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Dale Mayo, to approve the minutes of Dec. 6, 2012. <u>Motion carried.</u></li> <li>• Motion by Dale Mayo, second by Andy Malecki to approve the agenda. <u>Motion carried.</u></li> </ul>
	<b>3. Public Comments</b>	<p>Sam Landes -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussed the issues regarding the Hwy 82 bridge especially that a lot of work had gone into it. The cost was at \$3.7 million and is now down to 1.5 million, his concern being to not let the opportunity be wasted.</li> <li>• Flood damage – is a concern, there are probably lots of trails that have been washed out.</li> </ul> <p>General discussion ensued regarding funding flood damage and emergencies in general, whether or not there is a mechanism to fund emergency flood damaged projects ahead of other projects.</p>	

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	<b>4. Chair Report</b>	<p>Jon Schweitzer has been working on several items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Automated GPS Grooming System</li> <li>• Attended IASA meeting in Green Bay</li> <li>• Bridge Inventory – worked with Dale Mayo</li> <li>• MOU with DNR to include notifying Snowmobile Clubs early in the process when development will occur on snowmobile trails on state property.</li> </ul>	<p>Jon - Passed out the draft-MOU with DNR to participate in the communication process of snowmobile trail work on state properties.</p> <p>Jon – Did not address the Blue Mound issue and asked Sam to comment. Sam stated the trail through Blue Mounds State Park</p>
	<b>5. Groomer tracking GPS Project</b>	<p>This started in New York, they worked with a company called Automated Logistic Solutions. Goal was to move away from paper to an electronic system. It meets all the state audit &amp; record requirements of NY State. The head of the company is an avid snowmobiler.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Some benefits: Entirely automated</li> <li>• Wrong rates cannot be entered, the state updates the rates when needed and those are the only ones that can be used</li> <li>• Any club member can update their daily data at any time as long as they've been authorized to access the system.</li> <li>• Updating occurs through smart phones or can be kept on paper and can then be entered into the system later</li> <li>• Tiered approval system, once signed by the club it's locked unless the next level of approval (county coordinator) sends it back for revisions. Once signed by the coordinator, it's locked unless the CSS sends it back for revisions.</li> </ul>	<p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Daly Mayo, to open the meeting to public input. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Can prevent one person claiming 8 hours of labor, 6 hours of chain saw &amp; 5 hours of signing at the same time.</li> <li>• Will eliminate many steps currently in the process and a lot of paperwork.</li> <li>• NY expects to be entirely paperless by 2014.</li> <li>• Uses cell phone towers to transmit the data and bundles it and sends it only as often as the system tells them too.</li> <li>• GPS units cost @\$250/unit</li> <li>• Units can be set up to stop recording data upon idle for 10 minutes or any other set time we choose.</li> <li>• A map portion in NY transmits data directly to their Dept. of Tourism site which shows on a map by color code, how long it's been since a trail was groomed.</li> <li>• Total package for NY was \$70,000. We would be able to make use of some of the code that has already been built, thus lowering the cost to WI.</li> <li>• NY was able to reduce staff dealing with Snowmobile administration by 60%.</li> <li>• RTA paid for 50% of the system.</li> <li>• Annual maintenance fees are about 15% per year.</li> </ul> <p>Demo of product by Jon.</p>	<p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Dale Mayo, to recommend to the Council to proceed with pursuing the automated system that NY uses. <u>Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Dale Mayo, to recommend to the Council if pursuit of the system is approved, then committee should approach ORV Council to discuss joint implementation. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
	<p><b>6. Vilas County trail width variance request</b></p>	<p>Dale Mayo – the issue is that many of the trails end up being dual-use roads for logging and snowmobiling because the snowmobile trails are the only way into the winter logging sites which are wetlands in the summer.</p> <p>Vilas County has been making these trails wider</p>	<p>Motion by Bev Dittmar, second by Andy Malecki to recommend that the council ask the DNR to look into changing NR 50 to say “recommend” 12 feet maximum rather than mandating the 12 foot maximum due to safety reasons.</p>

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		<p>because it's not safe for a logging truck to meet a snowmobile, particularly when the snowmobiler is inexperienced.</p> <p>Vilas County would like a variance or to have a permanent rule change to NR 50 to relax the maximum 12' width.</p> <p>Discussion ensued regarding the possible door such a change might open. For instance would the snowmobile fund end up paying for very wide trails that aren't necessary for safety.</p> <p>In the end the after the motions failed, consensus shifted to leaving the process alone because the means to make a wider trail through the variance process already exists in NR 50.</p>	<p>Motion amended by Andy Malecki, second by Jon Schweitzer to also recommend to add that snowmobile funds will not pay for the trail beyond the 12 feet width. <u>Motion failed.</u></p> <p>Motion by Andy, second by Jon Schweitzer to recommend the DNR approve Vilas County's variance request. <u>Motion failed.</u></p>
	<b>7. Bridge Inventory</b>	<p>Jon passed out the draft bridge inventory form and explained what was included.</p> <p>It was discussed how this information would be gathered. The counties would have to do it and provide to their CSS, when all were in a state-wide inventory would be created.</p> <p>(Copy posted with minutes)</p>	<p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Dale Mayo to forward the bridge inventory format to the full council with the added type category wood vs. steel. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
	<b>8. Development Project MOU with DNR</b>	<p>Jon discussed the MOU and some particulars which are in it. Specifically:</p> <p>County Snowmobile Coordinators will be notified during the planning process, when a project is upcoming</p>	<p>Motion by Dale Mayo, second by Andy Malecki to leave the draft MOU comment period open for 30 days. If there are no comments or objections, the chair should work directly with the</p>

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		<p>contact will be made again, and when the project begins once more the Property manager will contact the County Coordinator.</p> <p>Jon would like to implement this before the next DNR planning cycle begins in March.</p>	<p>DNR to finalize, if comments/objections arise the committee will revisit at the next meeting. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
	<b>9. Equipment &amp; Labor rates – clarification</b>	<p>Cathy Burrow brought up a question about rates. The council decided to leave the specific questions alone and look at creating something that could be a one-stop place to get all snowmobile questions answered.</p> <p>This discussion then lead to the approved labor and equipment rates.</p>	<p>Jon Schweitzer suggested this committee look at the Guidelines for the Snowmobile Program (Pub # CA-002) booklet at the next meeting.</p> <p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Dale Mayo to recommend equipment &amp; labor rates remain the same as last year. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>
	<b>10. Member items</b>	None	
	<b>11. Adjournment</b>		<p>Motion by Andy Malecki, second by Dale Mayo to adjourn the meeting. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>