

OFF-ROAD VEHICLE ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA & RECORD

February 24, 2009

Conference Call

Public location: Glacier Room, SCR DNR Service Center, Fitchburg, WI

Presenter/ Time	Agenda Item	Key Points	Outcomes, Next Steps, Assignments
9:35 AM	1. Call to Order	<p>Members Present: Larry Strangfeld, Chair, , Dave Traczyk, Joe Fitzgerald by phone and Rob McConnell, Vice Chair and Mike Peterson at the Public location.</p> <p>Others Present: Gary Eddy, Diane Conklin – DNR</p>	
	2. Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting		Motion by Rob McConnell, second by Dave Traczyk to approve the minutes of October 8, 2008. <u>Motion carried.</u>
	3. Comments	<p>Larry Strangfeld, Chair stated, not a whole lot since the last meeting other than the passing of Rusty Hermsen.</p> <p>Working on replacements for the two current vacancies</p>	
	4. Reports	<p>Department: LE, Gary Eddy - OWI tie in discussion Next meeting of the user groups will hopefully be sometime in April (tentative)</p> <p>LUV Registration numbers will be crunched by Randy Harden's group. Currently under 1,000 registrations so far. Not much discussion regarding this pilot so far. Minimal complaints being received so far. Fatalities to date – 1 so far on Jan 9.</p>	<p>Governor's Snowmobile Council voted unanimously on the packet they were presented and was included as an attachment to the Snowmobile Council minutes. More is reported in "Trail Matters" below.</p> <p>WCFA and core group will be meeting in March to discuss the status of the program and determine if any changes need to occur prior to the second season.</p>

		Diane Conklin – Budget	Diane stated that the initial review of the Governor’s budget showed a 1% reduction of all programs (including grants). However, we have not seen the details of how that will impact our program.
	5.Action Arising from Reports		None
	Public Comments	None	
	6. Trail Matters	<p>OWI – DL Tie In Recommendations from Snowmobile Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tie all Recreational Vehicles OWIs Together and Suspension of recreational vehicle privileges. 2. Unify all penalties for OWI to the highest current penalties 3. Tie-in second offense to the driver’s license (within a 5 year period) and add language that if a person is under suspension or revocation of LD for OWI, this arrest to be considered as a second offense. <p><u>Clarification:</u> If a person has one or more OWIs in their motor vehicle, but their license is <i>not</i> currently revoked or suspended for those violations, their recreational vehicle OWI will be counted as a first offense.</p> <p>WCFA County Forest Administrators put together several issues. Some will be presented as part of Superior Days. Those items that would effect the ATV program that the Council has not discussed until today are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trail vs Route – language allowing roads that allow high clearance vehicle access be identified 	<p>Motion by Mike Peterson second by Rob McConnell to approve conceptually the issues presented and approved by the Snowmobile Council regarding OWI-DL Tie in reserving approval of the final document if and when any legislation is recommended. <u>Motion carried.</u></p> <p>Diane noted that this could more than a code change (NR 64). It could be require a statute change (23.33) as well.</p>

		<p>as trails and be eligible for funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> DNR Grant Eligibility – WCFA is supportive of making the counties, USFS and state lands eligible for grants equally. This would allow all to be on the same playing field for funds. However, they would have to all be competitive equally. 	<p>Council would like to continue to review this at future meetings (Superior Days, WCFA updates, etc.)</p> <p>Update all future agendas with CO Forest Agenda under “Reports”.</p>
	7. Member Items	<p>Emergency Signage – color concerns and cost. The council looked at current estimated prices and the decision to accept the 3 color scheme. The issue is recommended for further discussion at the Spring meeting.</p> <p>Rob McConnell addressed the WATVA Spring workshop and brought the ORV Council breakout session. Also, there will be a workshop on Trail Sharing workshop on Friday, April 3. It is seeing a lot of interest. Sign up ahead of time is asked. It is being held at the Plaza Hotel and Conference Center in Wausau, WI.</p>	<p>Rob will forward a copy of the flyer explaining this workshop to all council members.</p>
	8. Next Meeting		<p>To be determined. Council members are to provide availability dates for April 20 – July 31 for the next meeting to be scheduled.</p>
	9. Adjournment		<p>Motion by Rob McConnell, second by Dave Traczyk to adjourn. <u>Motion carried.</u></p>