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MEETING MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION ON OFF-HIGHWAY VEHICLES

Date and Time: Thursday, December 14, 2017, 8:30 – 5:00 pm

Location: This meeting was held in Carson City, Bryan Building, 901 S. Stewart Street, First Floor, PEBS Multi-purpose Room, 1002. For details of discussion go to online audio https://ohv.nv.gov/meeting

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – Chairman McKay called the meeting to order at 8:40 am.

ROLL CALL OF THE COMMISSION MEMBERS

Commissioner Greg McKay - present

Commissioner Sue Baker - present

Commissioner Kerry Lee - present

Commissioner Charlie Cox - present

Commissioner Kevin Hill – present

Commissioner Sean Berryman – present

Commissioner Brian Parks – present

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Commissioner Eddie Booth – present

Commissioner Michael Gerow – arrived late

A Quorum was present.

Ex-Officio members present: Kevin Wilmot, USFS; Leo Drumm BLM arriving later, Anne Yukish Lee, DMV; Devon Blundon, NV Division of Tourism arrived later.

New Commissioners introduced:

Eddie Booth: From Winnemucca, NV, Nevada Department of Wildlife recommended to represent hunters

Brian Parks: From Minden, NV, recommended by Department of Agriculture to represent ranchers/farmers.

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Doug Holcomb, Pine Nut Mt. Trails Association – first ask PNMTA moved forward on agenda, second, the money being awarded today should enhance the outdoor recreation in NV and thanks the Commission for their time and effort.

- **4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA** *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* Motion to approve Commissioner Baker, seconded by Commissioner Lee, motion approved.
- **5.** REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF September 14, 2017, MINUTES *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* *Motion by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Baker, motion approved.*
- 6. COMMISSION VOTE FOR COMMISSIONERS TO BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND GROUNDBREAKING AND RIBBON CUTTING EVENTS ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION AS REQUESTED BY DCNR. *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* Greg McKay, Chairman and Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR. Motion to approve Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Baker, motion approved.
- 7. CHAIRMAN MCKAY UPDATE ON COMMUNICATIONS WITH WHITE PINE COUNTY COMMISSION PURSUANT TO FUTURE ADOPTION OF THE SILVER STATE TRAIL THROUGH THEIR COUNTY Chairman Greg McKay Chairman McKay gave brief history of the Silver State Trails (SST) history. SST was adopted by Lincoln County seven years ago, and operating today, White Pine County commissioners were approached by Greg, as there appeared that the majority of the County commissioners were in favor of adopting the Trail through their portion through the County. This would allow BLM to do the environmental needed to sign routes. The mayor of the Town of Ely has identified the North-south and east-west OHV legal routes through the town through planning efforts. Elko County has already adopted county roads and wants to bring the SST connection in to their system through their county to the Oregon Border. If these things fall into place we could be in the position to have one of the largest OHV trail system in the USA in a matter of years. There are upcoming meetings after the first of the year to determine is the process will move forward. He is fairly confident the process will go forward. The neighboring counties, through John Glen past commissioner and Commissioner Lee's assistance, wrote letters to the White Pine county commissioners to promote the trail regionally.

Commissioner Gerow Arrived.

- **8. FINANCIAL UPDATE** Kelly Williams, ASO IV, DCNR. See Attachment Online https://ohv.nv.gov/assets/etc/meetings/Financial_Update_December_14%2C_2017.pdf
- 9. UPDATE ON OHV STAFF AND PROGRAM CURRENT GRANT UPDATE, REVISING NAC REGULATIONS AND THE NRS SURVEY Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR and Dominique Etchegoyhen, Deputy Director, DCNR. 2015 grants have all closed. 2016 grants are almost complete including restroom at Logandale which has already had grand opening that Commissioner Baker attended. Commissioner Baker asked about sign showing NVOHV funding. Partners in Conservation were on phone and it is in process and will send photos. Format for recognizing NVOHV as funding partner are online including stickers etc. Other 2016 grants are all moving forward. Money not spent on closed grants has been carried forward to 2018 grants amount to be awarded today.

Dominique Etchegoyhen: NRS authorized DCNR to hire staff. Existing position was part time Exec. Secretary, with increasing duties in this program we are looking at position to be full time and better describe the actual work duties and work load which is the Program Manager series. Part of the process is to create the program mgr. series department statewide perspective with Division of Human

Resources support. Commissioner McKay, the progress takes several months. NAC's draft and NRS survey will be started after grant agreements are out.

10. GRANT APPLICATION STAFF ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS - Jenny Scanland, Executive Secretary, DCNR and Dominique Etchegoyhen, Deputy Director, DCNR For details of discussion go to online audio https://ohv.nv.gov/meeting

All applications were eligible this year. Staff recommendation was presented based on Commission Criteria and the Mission of the Commission and Program to get the money out on the ground to convince the public they are getting something from their registration. Two NRS driven criteria were also considered: Projects had to be to the "best interest of the state", and that OHV users must be the primary beneficiary of these funds.

11. FY 2018 GRANT APPLICATIONS: COMMISSION DELIBERATION, SCORING AND SELECTION OF AWARDEES. Application list attached hereto. Applications can be downloaded from https://ohv.nv.gov/grant-program *FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* - Chairman Greg McKay.

Each application was taken in turn and applicant allowed to comment. Questions from the Commissioner were asked and deliberated on by the Commission. The grants voted on by the Commission after scoring with much deliberation. For details of discussion go to online audio https://ohv.nv.gov/meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Cox to fund the grants as described in discussion and at the amounts on the spreadsheet which was projected on the screen. Seconded by Commissioner Parks. Motion approved.

PROJECT NAME	APPLICANT	GRANT
		AWARD
AVALANCHE CENTER EDUCATION	SIERRA AVALANCHE CENTER	\$16,060.00
BOULDER CITY OHV PROGRAM	BOULDER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$45,000.00
DANCE HILL USFS CARSON RD	USFS CARSON RANGER DISTRICT	\$95,000.00
DOUGLAS SO OHV ENFORCEMENT	DOUGLAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$30,000.00
ESMERALDA COUNTY SHERIFFS OFFICE	ESMERALDA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$20,844.99
GOLD BUTTE NATIONAL MONUMENT ROAD SIGNS AND MAINTENANCE	FRIENDS OF GOLD BUTTE	\$21,376.00
HUMBOLDT RIDE SAFE AND SMART	HUMBOLDT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$48,218.42
INYO NATIONAL FOREST MAINTENANCE AND SIGNAGE	INYO NATIONAL FOREST	\$30,000.00
KINGS CANYON ROAD REPAIR AND SIGNAGE	CARSON CITY and USFS	\$47,000.00
KOKOPELLI OHV ROAD/TRAIL SIGNS FOR LINCOLN COUTY	KOKOPELLI ATV CLUB OF MESQUITE NEVADA	\$70,384.00
LAS VEGAS METRO	LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN PD RESIDENT SECTION	\$47,133.00

	Reserve of \$203,178.20.	
	TOTAL AWARDED	\$1,290,293.52
YERINGTON OHV ENFORCEMENT	YERINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$35,446.00
WEST WENDOVER SHARED RESOURCE	WEST WENDOVER POLICE DEPT	\$45,000.00
WASHOE CO OHV ENFORCEMENT/EDUCATION	WASHOE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$12,768.00
TREADLIGHTLY! RIDE ON NEVADA	TREADLIGHTLY	\$22,000.00
SHOSHONE TRAIL ASSESSMENT & MAINTENANCE	NATIONAL OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE CONSERVATION COUNCIL (NOHVCC)	\$34,408.00
RUBY, MT CITY, JARBIDGE OHV MAINT, SNOW SURVEY	GREAT BASIN INSTITUTE	\$113,691.54
RANGER TRAIL RECONSTRUCTION	ELY RANGER DISTRICT USFS	\$94,922.00
PRISON HILL OHV AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN	NATIONAL OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLE CONSERVATION COUNCIL (NOHVCC)	\$33,042.76
POLARIS PROJECT SAR DOUGLAS CO	DOUGLAS COUNTY SEARCH AND RESCUE	\$29,142.72
PNMTA CLEAN UPS	PINENUT MT. TRAILS ASSOCIATION	\$12,500.00
PEAVINE ROAD MAINTENANCE	SIERRA TRAIL WORKS	\$44,160.00
NYE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE EDUCATION AWARENESS	NYE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$10,000.00
PROGRAM MARKETING WEBSITE TRAIL MAP INTEGRATION	MXT MEDIA AND RIGHT START DATA	\$107,575.00
GBI NVOHV SUPPORT	GREAT BASIN INSTITUTE	\$92,881.09
NOS OUTDOOR ETHICS AND ATV.OHV SAFETY PROGRAM	NEVADA OUTDOOR SCHOOL	\$26,518.00
NDOW LAW ENFORCEMENT DIVISION PATROL	NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE	\$42,500.00
LOGANDALE TRAILHEAD FACILITIES	PARTNERS IN CONSERVATION	\$62,722.00

12. CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING.

Commissioners may at this time recommend agenda items to the Chairman for the next meeting. No deliberation or action will be taken on any information presented until the matter itself has been specifically included on an agenda as an item upon which action may be taken - *Greg McKay*, *Chairman – Black Rock Wilderness, Legislative session, NACS, NRS, Staffing update, USFS and BLM updates, GBI*.

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Audience comment was not legible and they did not introduce themselves.

14. ADJOURNMENT - * FOR POSSIBLE ACTION* Motion by Commissioner Lee, seconded by Commissioner Cox. Motion carried.

Please contact Jenny Scanland at: 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 1003, Carson City, Nevada 89701; <u>jscanland@ohv.nv.gov</u>; or 775-684-2794for more information if needed. Materials are also be posted on the http://ohv.nv.gov/commission website.