

# Oregon Parks and Recreation Department ATV Advisory Committee Meeting

May 18, 2023, 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM OPRD HQ – Room 124A

# **OPRD ATV Advisory Committee Members Present:**

Virgle Osborne – Chair – Class II ATV (returned at 1:20) Ron Price – Vice Chair - Member at Large Dave Kimball – Class I ATV Barrett Brown – Class III ATV Matt Miller – Class IV ATV (online) Sgt Nick Hansen – Law Enforcement Agency (online) Ann Haak – ADA Representative

## Public:

Tim Custer

## **OPRD Staff Present:**

Daniel Killam, Michele Scalise, Ian Caldwell, Mike Law, Nohemi Enciso, Katie Gauthier and Alison Kyser

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM on Thursday May 18, 2023 by Ron Price.

## 1. Welcome, Introductions, and Agenda Review

- Due to Virgil Osborne having to leave at 10:30am, Ron Price will be running the meeting as chair on 5/18/2023.
- 2. Public Comments: No public comments
- 3. Approval of February 23-24, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Motion: Virgle Osborne moved to accept the February 2023 meeting minutes. Second: Ann Haak seconds the motion. Vote: All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

## 4. Budget Review

• Katie - OPRD budget at a hearing in February, but we haven't had a work session yet. We're hearing positive things, but we have not had a work session yet. Will probably hear something in the next couple of weeks. If senate doesn't come back, we would receive the same type of funding from current biennium, through September.

(ACTION)

Ian – We do not know what the current budget is, we are going with last year's budget currently which is about \$11 million. If the budget and Policy Option Package (POP) is approved we will have another 3 million dollars that can go towards grants. Without the \$3M POP and with all of our current proposed grants today we are short \$972,693.00. If the \$3M POP is approved then we can fund the remaining projects and like hold another grant cycle in the Fall/Winter of 23/24. Proposed budget is 11.5 million for grants and then the 3 million pop that is going towards increasing grant funds. Will need to score applications and rank them at the end of the meeting. Then we can make decisions about how to handle funding base on whether or not we get the \$3M POP

# 5. Update on Legislative Concepts

- SB 888 Safety Card for Class IV
  - Conversation with committee co-chairs and thought we had agreement, but there was hesitation and doubt it will move forward.
- SB 889 Class IV definition
  - Amended on Tuesday, Ian worked with the proponent of the amendment for what works with the agency and what will help it go forward. Concerns about 1000cc engine limit and weights of electric vehicles. Went with the term "designed for off-road use" to keep small cars or SUV from Class IV. ODOT had concerns about vehicles on Highways still needing wipers. Windshield needs to be unobstructed for normal operation. When on Highway, need wiper if windshield is higher than 6 inches above the steering wheel, to address issue of half-windshields. The amendment was adopted and moved out of committee. Will go to house and senate floor.

# • HB 2796 County ATV Highway Access Routes

- o Unlikely to move forward this session
- HB 3248 ATVs on all road except interstates
  - Unlikely to move forward this session

# 6. Recusals – due to real or potential conflicts of interest of interest

- Ann Haak 9234 Morrow County OHV Enforcements 23-25 Morrow County Sheriff's Office
- Nick Hansen 9252 Douglas County Sheriff's Office 2023-2025 Douglas County LE Program
- Virgle Osborne 9252 Douglas County Sheriff's Office 2023-2025 Douglas County LE Program

## 7. Grant Application Presentations

- Morrow County OHV Enforcement 23-25
- Klamath County Sheriff ATV LE Grant 2023
- Wallowa County Sheriff LE Equipment Purchase
- Tread Lightly! Oregon
- Hood River County OHV Program
- Coos County OHV Law Enforcement and Safety
- Nestucca OHV Area Travel and Management Plans
- Deschutes County SO OHV Program
- Union County OHV Patrols
- Umatilla County ATV Law Enforcement
- Baker County ATV Law Enforcement Patrol
- Lane County Sheriff's Office Dunes Patrol
- Lane County Sheriff's Office Shotgun

## 8. Staff Updates

- Ian Caldwell Partnered with the USFS to put on a 40-hour equipment training workshop in Hood River in May of this year. Have another training scheduled at the end of June in Oakridge. Class is completely full.
- Have partnerships with multiple groups to get more done.
  - NOHVCC Great Trails Workshops
  - Deschutes County Sheriff's Department Law Enforcement Workshop
  - OMRA Youth ATV Certification
  - OSU/4H Youth ATV Certification
  - Chris Real Sound Meter Training

## Meeting adjourned at 4:07PM on Thursday, May 18, 2023 by Ron Price



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## Other:

Tim Custer

## **OPRD Staff Present:**

Jodi Bellefeuille, Michele Scalise, Ian Caldwell, Mike Law, Nohemi Enciso, Jeff Trejo and Alison Kyser

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM on Friday May 19, 2023 by Virgle Osborne.

- 1. Grant Application Presentations
  - Jackson County Sheriff's Office Equipment Purchase
  - 2023-25 Lake County Patrols
  - Law Enforcement 4-wheelers for Sand Lake.
  - Upper Nestucca OHV 2023
  - Tillamook State Forest (TSF) Patrol
  - Sandlake Recreation Area (SRA)
  - 2023-2025 Douglas County LE Program
  - Johns Peak Development 2023/2025
  - Wheeler County ATV Patrol Program

## 2. Scoring/Ranking

Committee members who did not attend presentations will recuse themselves from scoring. This included Virgle on Thursday before 1:20pm and Matt on Friday after 10:30am because they had to miss part of the meeting.

For today we have \$3,466,877 available based on previous budget. We have \$3,975,765 in requests. If the \$3M POP gets approved in the budget, then we can fund everything.

Motion: Barrett Brown moves that we recommend for funding all the Law Enforcement applications ranking above the funding threshold for funding and individually vote on everything below the threshold (Lane Co and USFS Sand Lake) and on the other section.

Second: Ron Price

Vote: No objections. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Ann Haak moves that we recommend for funding the Lane County Sheriffs funding as funding becomes available. Second: Barrett Brown Vote: No objections. Motion passed unanimously

Motion: Ron Price moves that we recommend for funding the Law Enforcement 4wheelers for Sand Lake - US Forest Service – Hebo funding as funding becomes available.

Second: Barrett Brown

Vote: In favor: Ron Price and Barrett Brown.

Objections: Nick Hansen, Ann Haak, Dave Kimball and Virgle Osborne Motion did not pass

Motion: Barret Brown moves that we recommend for funding the Johns Peak Development 2023/2025 - Motorcycle Riders Association funding as funding becomes available.

Second: Ron Price

Vote: No objections. Motion passed unanimously

Motion: Dave Kimball moves that we recommend for funding the Nestucca OHV Area Travel and Management Plans - BLM-Northwest Oregon District funding as funding becomes available.

Second: Ann Haak Vote: No objections. Motion passed unanimously

Motion: Ann Haak moves that we recommend for funding the Tread Lightly! Oregon -Tread Lightly! funding as funding becomes available.

Second: Barrett Brown

Vote: In favor: Barrett Brown, Ron Price, Dave Kimball, Ann Haak and Virgle Osborne. Objections: Nick Hansen

Motion passed

NOTE: POP was approved so projects based on funding were approved

Site Visits 2023

- a. Coastal area trip, committee agreed on penciling in for August 14-16.
- b. Eastern Oregon trip, Morrow County and Mt Emily (La Grande) will be sending out a poll for availability.

**Other Business** 

Meeting adjourned at 1:32pm on Friday, May 19, 2023 by Virgle Osborne.