

Notes for PAOHV Conference Call...
7-12-2010

Callers:

Dick Lepley

Don McClure

George Fetterman (Valley Forge Trail Riders)

Fred Baurle

Denny Mann

Bob Connor

Jack Clark

Roeg Williamson

Lee Williamson

PSN hesitancy regarding Paypal.

Don McClure reported that compatibility issues between Paypal and PSN's system exist and must be resolved if the Association is to begin accepting Paypal.

Minutes of 4-10-2010

The minutes approved by unanimously.

Association Finances

The Board discussed the need to improve its accounting procedures at this time of transition in Finance Directors. Several options were discussed. On a Baurele/Mann motion it was agreed unanimously that the Finance Director, the Executive Director and the Assistant Director be authorized to sign checks. Lee Williamson was assigned the responsibility to develop a standard whereby each invoice is approved by the Executive Director, the Assistant Director, or the Finance

Director and a second individual from this group would sign the checks. This system provides dual director review of invoices, but provides the flexibility to requiring only one signature for checks.

Northumberland Riding Park Report

Dick Lepley reported that Northumberland County is in process of developing a riding park on 6,000 acres of former strip mining land that has been owned by the county for nearly 50 years. The land has been the site of illegal riding for decades. The county envisions a pay to play park that will generate tourism dollars for the area and revenue for the county. The county officials spearheading the effort are hosting PaOHV on July 17. They will make a presentation and provide a guided tour of the park.

Board members listed the following individuals as planning to be present for the presentation and tour:

George Fetterman
Fred Baurle
Jack Clark
Bob Connor
Kevin Keavela
Jamie Theurkauf
Dick Lepley
Don McClure

Connectors

Roeg Williamson introduced a discussion on brought up trail connector in Renovo. The Central Mountains ATV Club has expressed concern that the Renovo connector between the SSRT and Bloody Skillet trails has not been begun two years after it was announced. The Board

agreed that PaOHV needs to pursue DCNR for expedited action on this connector. Dick Lepley asked for complete information prior to initiating PAOHV involvement.

Roeg and Lee Williamson reported that the trails were in a state of disrepair in some spots, and PaOHV's should voice its concern about trail maintenance. Roeg offered to photograph the questionable areas for inclusion with the communication to DCNR. Don McClure suggested whether the issues should be separated into two inquiries. The Board decided to approach them in one inquiry.

Frontline 67 Program

Dick Lepley reported that he and Don had begun to assemble the framework for a statewide grassroots advocacy and reporting system called Frontline 67. The concept is to have PaOHV point people in each of Pennsylvania's 67 counties. These individuals would be responsible for identifying local issues of import to the OHV community, spearhead grassroots lobbying campaigns, and engage in membership development. Don will send existing data and support materials to board members for additional input.

Roeg suggested that the state be broken into zones led by Board members to help manage the messages. It was readily agreed that this idea has merit and can be employed as the program matures.

ABATE...Upcoming Meeting.

Dick Lepley reported that he has scheduled a meeting with the leadership of ABATE to forge a relationship with its leadership and explore possible coalition activities. His intent is to introduce ABATE to

PaOHV and establish a dialogue with the organization. Dick will report back.

Conference Calls

The Board agreed to try monthly conference calls on the 2nd Monday. The next call will be on August 9 at 5:30 p.m.

New Business

Denny Mann reported that PATRA has a new President who is leading the effort to restore miles to the Seven Mountains Trail. They are creating a Power Point to support their campaign. Denny will let us know if PATRA needs further assistance.

No meetings of SAAC are scheduled.

Denny Mann reported that the SCORE grant has been closed and a small check for the foundation will be forthcoming.