



Joint Snowmobile Advisory Council and Off-Road Vehicle Council

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, May 21, 2024

via Zoom

Snowmobile Council Members Present: Dale Mayo – Chair, Lynsey Burzinski, Joel Enking, Abby Haas, Gary Hilgendorf, Mike Holden, Tara Krall, Sam Landes, Andy Malecki, Don Mrotek, Sue Smedegard, Holly Tomlanovich

ORV Council Members Present: Rob McConnell – Chair, Mike Biese – Vice Chair, Bobby Donahue, Ed Slaminski, Dan Thole, Jim Wisneski

DNR staff attendance: Jillian Steffes, Pat Anderson, Kurt Byfield, Chris Halbur, Jeremy Holtz, Jeff Pennucci

Tourism staff attendance: Drew Nussbaum

Public attendance: Lori Heideman (AWSC), Dave Newman (AWSC), Rebekah Luedtke (WCFA) and other members of the public

1. Call to order

2. Chair Comments

- None

3. Public Participation

None

4. DNR Report

- We have 6 cost increase requests for consideration today. Four are split 50/50 between Snow and ATV, and 2 are snowmobile only.

5. ACTION ITEM: Review of and funding recommendations for grant project cost increase request

Grant Number	County	Discussion/Questions	Motions
Amendment Requests			
81	Tri-County		ORV -Motion to approve 81-84 by Dan, 2 nd by Ed. MOTION PASSED with Mike abstain.
82	Douglas		
83	Douglas		
84	Langlade		Snow – Motion to approve 81-84 by Sue, 2 nd by Sam. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
85	Oneida		Snow – Motion to approve by Andy, 2 nd by Gary. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
86	Vilas	DNR Grants (Jillian & Jeff) intend to talk to DNR Engineer about their comments on not using certain manufacturers, and also to try and understand the timing of their involvement, etc. Conversations with DNR Property Manager & Engineer should happen as early in the process as possible.	Snow – Motion to approve by Andy, 2 nd by Sue. MOTION PASSED 10 to 2, with Gary and Mike voting no.

6. Committee member items

None

7. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Andy 2 nd by Sue. MOTION PASSED

2023-24 Snowmobile Funding Summary

<u>Category</u>	<u>Funds Available</u>	<u>Amount Requested</u>	<u>Amount Funded</u>	<u>Balance</u>
Funds Available	\$ 12,261,872			\$ 12,261,872
Supplemental 22-23 (prelim est)		\$ 3,586,072	\$ 3,586,072	\$ 8,675,800
Maintenance		\$ 6,076,281	\$ 6,076,281	\$ 2,599,519
GPS Units		\$ 200,000	\$ 200,000	\$ 2,399,519
<u>Funds For Development, etc</u>	\$ 2,399,519			\$ 2,399,519
Storm Damage		\$ 13,173	\$ 13,173	\$ 2,386,346
Cost Increase Requests - August 2023		\$ 58,000	\$ 58,000	\$ 2,328,346
Snow Bridge Rehab		\$ 2,086,265	\$ 1,101,033	\$ 1,227,313
Snow Trail Rehab		\$ 281,470	\$ 7,630	\$ 1,219,683
Snow Relocation Mandatory		\$ 1,341,279	\$ 599,623	\$ 620,060
Snow Relocation Discretionary		\$ 457,566	\$ 433,415	\$ 186,645
Snow Bridge New		\$ 529,692	\$ -	\$ 186,645
New Miles (336 @ \$300/mile)		\$ 100,656	\$ -	\$ 186,645
Snow Acquisition		\$ -	\$ -	\$ 186,645
Snow Non-Trail Development		\$ 31,296	\$ -	\$ 186,645
BALANCE				\$ 186,645
May 2023 Cost Increase Requests		\$ 307,868	\$ 307,868	\$ (121,223)
Underspending Returned	\$ 554,071			\$ 432,848
NEW BALANCE				\$ 432,848
Grand Total (Maint + Non-Maint)		\$ 15,069,618 Requested	\$ 12,383,095 Funded	

2023-24 SNOWMOBILE COST INCREASE REQUESTS

Region	County		New/Increase Component	New Costs	Total	Approved	Comments
#81	NOR-S Tri-Co Commission	The Tri County Commission is requesting additional funds for their Fish Creek Bridge Replacement. They were awarded a grant in 2022 from both Sno and ATV (\$145,500 each, \$291,000 total) for replacement of the bridge. In the original project materials, the bridge span was significantly underestimated. Instead of 130', a 190' bridge is needed. The cost increase request reflects two updated estimates based on the corrected scope. Total increase is \$79,000, divided between Sno & ATV	COSTS		\$79,000	\$39,500	Motion to approve the snowmobile share of 81 through 84 by Sue, 2nd by Sam. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
		Other funds received, requested, or committed? Yes or No: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N Amount: \$ 39,500	Increased Span	\$79,000	After Cost Share: \$39,500		
		Original Grant # S-5809	Funding Cat. Bridge Rehab				
		Previous Grant \$145,500	New Grant Amt \$185,000		\$39,500		
		Amt (After)					
#82	Douglas	Douglas County is requesting additional funds for the Paske Bridge Rehab project on Trail 41. The county received three bids on the project, all of which were higher than the original cost estimates. County would like to proceed ASAP with rehab of the structure. Project is split 50/50 between Sno and ATV	COSTS		\$105,694	\$52,847	See above
		Other funds received, requested, or committed? Yes or No: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N Amount: \$ 52,847	Increase	\$105,694	After Cost Share: \$52,847		
		Original Grant # S-5807	Funding Cat. Bridge Rehab				
		Previous Grant \$46,926	New Grant Amt \$99,773		\$52,847		
		Amt (After)					
#83	Douglas	Douglas County is requesting additional funds for the Trail 4/41 Reroute with Erickson Creek crossing. The county received three bids on the project, all of which were higher than the original cost estimates. County would like to proceed ASAP with rehab of the structure. Project is split 50/50 between Sno and ATV. The original application was in the relocation category, however the project was to replace a bridge that was undercut and embankment had sunk, and relocate the bridge location 300' to the south.	COSTS		\$33,303	\$16,651	See above
		Other funds received, requested, or committed? Yes or No: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> N Amount: \$ 16,651	Increase	\$33,303	After Cost Share: \$16,651		
		Original Grant # S-5838	Funding Cat. Rehab/Reloc				
		Previous Grant \$85,000	New Grant Amt \$101,651		\$16,651		
		Amt (After)					

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#84	Langlade	Langlade County is requesting additional funds for replacement of Bridge #1 crossing the West Branch of the Red River. This trail is used by Winter ATV and Snowmobiles. The existing bridge is about 30 years old and in poor condition, and this was the county's top priority last year. Bids came in higher than expected. The county is also applying for ATV grant funds (50/50).	COSTS		\$12,340	\$12,340	\$6,170 See above
			Increase		\$12,340	After Cost Share: \$6,170	
			Other funds received, requested, or committed?				
			Yes or No:	Y	Amount:	\$ 6,170	
			Original Grant #	S-5953	Funding Cat.	Bridge Rehab	
Previous Grant Amt	\$55,804	New Grant Amt (After)	\$61,974	\$6,170			
#85	Oneida	Oneida County is requesting additional funds for completion of an H&H study. The county did not initially think one would be needed, but have since been directed to perform one in order to proceed with the project.	COSTS		\$12,000	\$12,000	\$12,000 Motion to approve request by Andy, 2nd by Gary. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY
			H&H Study		\$12,000	After Cost Share: \$12,000	
			Other funds received, requested, or committed?				
			Yes or No:	no	Amount:		
			Original Grant #	S-5831	Funding Cat.	M. Reloc	
Previous Grant Amt	\$366,285	New Grant Amt (After)	\$378,285	\$12,000			
#86	Vilas	Vilas County is seeking additional funds and a change of scope for replacment Bridge #11 crossing Plum Creek. The original proposal intended to use the old bridge approaches, but upon further review these are no longer considered viable. This required a change in overall bridge design, as well as increased costs for removal of the old structure and approaches. The county has obtained a \$100,000 RTP grant (capped) towards this project. Original Est \$168,300, revised \$349,000	COSTS		\$180,700	\$180,700	\$180,700 Motion to approve request by Andy, 2nd by Sue. MOTION PASSED 10 to 2 (no votes by Gary, Mike).
			Increase		\$180,700	After Cost Share: \$180,700	
			Other funds received, requested, or committed?				
			Yes or No:	Yes	Amount:	\$ -	
			Original Grant #	S-5954	Funding Cat.	Bridge Rehab	
Previous Grant Amt	\$68,300	New Grant Amt (After)	\$249,000	\$180,700			
TOTAL					\$307,868	\$307,868	

2023- 24 Proposed County ATV/UTV Program

Available Funds

	2023-24
Prior Year Gas Tax (FY 23 Carryover)	\$94,475.62
Current Year Gas Tax (FY24)	\$2,959,007.00
Registration Revenue Available from FY23	\$9,096,889.90
TOTAL	\$12,150,372.52

<i>Chapter 20 Max Available for Dev (FY24)</i>	\$4,379,039.08
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Estimated Preliminary Expenditures

>Existing Maintenance	
Summer ATV	\$1,286,753.00
Summer UTV	\$425,462.00
Winter ATV (shared with snowmobiles)	\$455,106.00
Winter ATV (not shared with snowmobiles)	\$8,600.00
Winter UTV	\$166,140.00
Troute	\$50,035.92
Area	\$132,838.72
Maintenance Total	\$2,524,935.64

>Balance Available for Remainder of Priorities Reserve for Storm Damage, etc	\$4,379,039.08	per Chapter 20
	-\$400,000.00	Ed, Dan

	Requested	Funded
Storm Damage Requests	\$6,730.00	\$0.00
Cost Increase Requests	\$56,512.00	\$56,512.00

New Applications Received - listed in priority order under s. NR 64.14(1)		
ATV Trail/Bridge Rehabilitation	\$1,919,201.63	\$1,822,411.00
New year around trails	\$70,041.00	\$69,041.00
New summer trails	\$1,112,461.00	\$1,076,771.00
New winter trails	\$2,403.00	\$2,403.00
Troute Requests	\$66,218.30	\$64,498.00
New intensive use areas	\$319,940.00	\$316,940.00
New support facilities	\$1,442,046.56	\$423,925.00
Maps	\$17,080.00	\$17,080.00
Acquisition	\$0.00	\$0.00
Communication Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00
Safety Signage	\$0.00	\$0.00
Statewide App	\$0.00	\$0.00

Total of Non-Maint Requests Received	\$5,012,633.49	\$3,849,581.00
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Balance		\$529,458.08
	including \$400k reserve for Storm D	

May 2023 Cost Increase Requests	\$115,168	\$115,168
New Balance		\$414,290.08

Grand Total (Maint + Non-Maint)	\$7,652,737	\$6,489,685
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2023-24 ATV COST INCREASE REQUESTS

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#81	Tri-Co Commission	<p>The Tri County Commission is requesting additional funds for their Fish Creek Bridge Replacement. They were awarded a grant in 2022 from both Sno and ATV (\$145,500 each, \$291,000 total) for replacement of the bridge. In the original project materials, the bridge span was significantly underestimated. Instead of 130', a 190' bridge is needed. The cost increase request reflects two updated estimates based on the corrected scope. Total increase is \$79,000, divided between Sno & ATV</p> <p>Other funds received, requested, or committed? Yes or No: <input type="checkbox"/> Y <input type="checkbox"/> Amount: 39,500</p> <p>Original Grant # ATV-4576 Funding Category Rehab</p> <p>Prev Grant Amt \$ 149,500.00 New Grant Amt \$189,000 (After)</p>	COSTS		\$79,000	\$39,500	Motion to approve the ATV share of projects 81 through 84 by Dan, 2nd by Ed. MOTION PASSED with Mike abstaining.
			Increased Span	\$79,000	After Cost Share: \$39,500		
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			Increase	\$105,694	After Cost Share: \$52,847		
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			Equip/Labor	\$33,303	After Cost Share: \$16,651		
					\$16,651		

2023-24 ATV COST INCREASE REQUESTS

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			Increase		\$12,340			
			Other funds received, requested, or committed?					
			Yes or No:	Y	Amount:			\$ 6,170
			Original Grant #	ATV-4713	Funding Cat.			Rehab
Previous Grant Amt	\$55,804	New Grant Amt (After)	\$61,974					
					\$6,170			