

Northeast Regional ATV Joint Powers Board Meeting Minutes
SLC Virginia Public Works Facility
7823 Hwy 135, Virginia, MN
June 17, 2024

Board Members Present: Paul McDonald (St. Louis County Commissioner) Mike Jugovich (St. Louis County Commissioner) Ricky Roche (Koochiching County Commissioner), Rick Goutermont (Lake County Commissioner)

Others Present: Jason Chopp, Eric Fallstrom, Ron Potter, Nathan Heibel, Bruce Beste, , Tom Baumchen, Jeff Anderson, Greg Pruzinski, Tim Rund, Beth Pierce, Austin Kalisch; Julie Marinucci, David Colburn, Paul Peltier

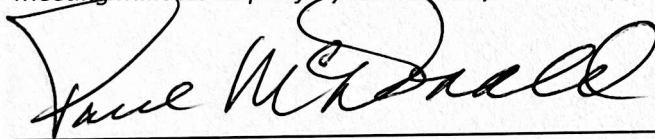
- I. **Call To Order/Establishment of Quorum:**
 - Meeting called to order by McDonald at 2:01 PM
- II. **Agenda Approval:**
 - Commissioner’s Jugovich/Roche motioned to approve the meeting agenda.
 - Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- III. **Approval of Minutes from May 20, 2024**
 - Commissioner’s Goutermont/Roche motioned to approve the meeting minutes.
 - The motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- IV. **Public Comments:**
 - None
- V. **Regular Agenda:**
 1. RAMs Update
 - Introduction and overview by Paul Peltier, Executive Director of RAMS.
 2. Funding Update
 - Jeff Anderson provided an update that there is \$500,000 in the budget for FY25 Trail Funding. Rep. Skraba, and Sen. Hauschild looking at a way to get that budget increased.
 3. Economic Impact Study
 - Brigid provided a draft report on June 15 for internal review. It has yet to be reviewed. More information will be presented at the July JPB Meeting.
 4. Statewide Master Plan Update
 - No update. The that the plan is under review by the DNR commissioner’s office.
 5. NE Regional Masterplan Update
 - A June meeting was held with City of Duluth regarding the proposed Head of the Lakes Trails. City to review proposed trails internally and provide comment.
 6. BL 24-02 FY25 IRRR Trail Funding Application
 - Board letter presented to apply for and received up to \$500,000 from the FY25 IRRR Trail Funding Account.
 - Commissioner’s Goutermont/Jugovich motioned to approve BL 24-02. Motion carried unanimously (4-0)

7. St. Louis County Board Retreat
 - Commissioner McDonald provided an update on the July 22 County Board Meeting in Ely and the ATV Ride that will follow.
8. BL 24-03 Receive and Administer RAC Funds
 - Board letter presented to receive and administer to \$60,000 in RAC Funding.
 - Commissioner's Roche/Goutermont motioned to approve BL 24-03. Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
9. Other Items of Interest
 - Quad Cities is looking for a letter of support from the JPB for their current DNR proposal.

VI. **Adjournment:**

- Commissioner's Roche/Jugovich motioned to adjourn at 2:16 pm. Motion carried unanimously (4-0)
- Next meeting will be held on July 15, 2024, at 2:00 pm at the Virginia Public Works Vermilion Room.

Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted by Jason Chopp.



Commissioner Paul McDonald, Chair

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