

Quarterly Whitewater Commission Meeting Minutes

December 17, 2013

Location: DNR HQ's – 324 4th Avenue, South Charleston, WV – 2nd Floor Conference Room

Chaired: DNR LE Jerry B. Jenkins, Lt. Colonel, in absence of Director Frank Jezioro

In Attendance: Will Miller (WV Tourism); Don Beyer (Private Boater); Tim Barton (Alpine Ministries); Bobby Bowers (by conference call WVPRO); Chris Ellis (by conference call Private Boater); Matt Knot (by conference call River Riders); Jerry Cook (by conference call ACE); Dave Bassage (ACE); Ed McMinn (WVOT); Tom Allen (WVOT); Jerry B. Jenkins (WVDNR-LE); Heather Kessel (WVDNR-LE); James McClung (WVDNR-LE)

Call to Order

The Whitewater Commission meeting of December 17, 2013 called to order at 11:15 a.m. by Lt. Colonel Jerry B. Jenkins. Attendance sheet passed amongst attendees.

Approval of September 10, 2013, Minutes

Tim Barton made motion to approve the minutes from the September 10, 2013. Matt Knott seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Budget

Matt Knott states that there's more spending than monies coming in. He explains that he used 2013 user numbers for the proposed 2016 fiscal year budget. There were approximately 130,000 users for 2013. \$55,000 for expenses based on 2013 numbers and \$38,000 is budgeted for DNR personnel. Matt asked Lt. Colonel Jenkins to make an inquiry with Keith Wilson on how exactly the DNR personnel amount is tabulated for the budget.

Matt Knott made motion to approve proposed 2016 fiscal year budget. Jerry Cook seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Website Update

Lt. Colonel Jenkins introduced Ed McMinn with the WV Office of Technology. Mr. McMinn begins by stating that new employees have been assigned to the Whitewater website project. He outlined the overall design of the new website via a projector. He mapped out the site, explained updates and current report functions. Mr. McMinn stated that at this point WV Office of Technology is "eating the cost" of the project, as the deadline date is overdue.

Mr. McMinn introduced Tom Allen whom is one of the key team members on the Whitewater website. Mr. Allen took questions about trip leader reports, camp site option, trip dates, usage report edit to show "take out point", e.g.

Other Business

The Accident Review Committee met just prior to this Commission meeting. Topics of discussion involved whitewater accidents that occurred in 2013. It was determined that no specific section of river nor any one type of incident caused those reported accidents/injuries for 2013.

There was additional discussion on sub-committees and the need for each to have Chairs. It was suggested that for the Dries Committee, Jerry Cook and for Rules Committee, Brian Campbell.

Next Quarterly Meeting

The next quarterly Whitewater Commission meeting locale will be at the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources Headquarters building in South Charleston on March 18, 2014 at 11:00.

Adjournment

Matt Knott motioned to adjourn the December 17, 2013 4th quarterly Whitewater Commission meeting. Tim Barton seconded the motion, and the motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.