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MINUTES
of
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD
of
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND TRAILS

December 12, 2024

Meeting location: *Arizona State Parks and Trails, 1110 W Washington St., Suite #100, Phoenix, AZ 85007*

Members present: *Dale Larsen, John Sefton, Sarah King*

Members participating telephonically: *Terri Palmberg, Jeff Buchanan*

Members absent:

ASPT Staff Present: *Bob Broscheid, Sarah Rose Webber, Pamela Cason, Mickey Rogers, Woody Gresko, Jeff Schmidt, David Jordan, Dawn Collins, Mark Weise,*

Arizona AG Office: *Wesley Gerard, Arizona State Parks Board attorney*

YouTube live stream:

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Larsen of the Arizona State Parks Board called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Sarah King led Board members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. MEMBER ROLL CALL AND MISSION STATEMENT

Pamela Cason did the role call. All members were present. Dale Larsen read the mission statement.

D. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the October 17, 2024 and November 14, 2024, Board Meeting-*Member King motioned to approve the minutes and Vice Chair Sefton seconded the motion to approve the minutes from October 17, 2024 and November 14, 2024*

2. Consideration of Consent Agenda: *Items 2(a) through 2(h), are noticed as consent agenda items -Member Buchanan motioned consent agenda items to be approved as presented items 2(a) through 2(h). Member Teri Palmberg seconded the motions. All members approved via roll call vote.*

2a. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for the submitted 2025 Competitive Motorized Grants Application(s). *(The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$938,740.00.*



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2025 Competitive Motorized Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/OHVAG/AORCC Recommendation	Score
Apache County ATV Inc.	OHV Education and Signage	\$8,180.00	\$8,180.00	46
Yavapai County Sheriff's Office	OHV Law Enforcement Equipment and Enforcement	\$557,370.00	\$557,370.00	44
Navajo County Sheriff's Office	OHV Law Enforcement and Education Program	\$373,190.00	\$373,190.00	32
Totals:		\$938,740.00	\$938,740.00	

2b. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for the submitted 2025 Supplemental Motorized Grants Application(s). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$171,138.00.

2025 Supplemental Motorized Grant Application(s)			
Sponsor	Project	Project Request	Staff /OHVAG/AORCC Recommendation
Flagstaff Police Department	OHV Education and Enforcement	\$93,738.00	\$93,738.00
Payson Police Department	OHV Education and Enforcement	\$77,400.00	\$77,400.00
Totals:		\$171,138.00	\$171,138.00

2c. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for the Submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Application(s). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$964,212.00

2025 Recreational Trails Program Non-Motorized Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/ASCOT/AORCC Recommendation	Score
Pine Strawberry Fuel Reduction Inc.	Two Ravens and Strawberry Mountain Trail	\$149,990.00	\$149,990.00	21
Legends of Superior Trails (LOST)	Telegraph Canyon Trail	\$120,500.00	\$120,500.00	20
Tonto National Forest (Supervisors Office)	Highline Loops Phase I	\$149,864.00	\$149,864.00	19
Tonto National Forest (Payson Ranger District)	Boulders Area Trail System Development	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	16
City of Prescott	Pioneer Parkway Trailhead	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	13



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Verde Valley Wheel Fun	Oak Creek School Cross Country Trails	\$75,858.00	\$75,858.00	13
Prescott Mountain Bike Alliance	Bean Peaks Gravity Flow Trail Network	\$150,000.00	\$150,000.00	6
TOTAL		\$964,212.00	\$964,212.00	

2d. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance Grant Application(s). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$173,755.00.

2025 Recreational Trails Program Trail Maintenance Grant Application(s)			
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/ ASCOT/AORCC Recommendation
Tonto National Forest (Cave Creek Ranger District)	FS #89 Davenport Trail Maintenance Project	\$73,755.00	\$73,755.00
Rim Country Mountain Bike Association	Boulders Area Trail System Maintenance	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
TOTAL		\$173,755.00	\$173,755.00

2e. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2025 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Application(s). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$79,853.00.

2025 Recreational Trails Program Safety and Environmental Education Grant Application(s)			
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/ASCOT/AORCC Recommendation
Verde Valley Cyclists Coalition	Even More Bike Bells	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
Arizona Science Center	STEM Education with Nature Exchange	\$30,000.00	\$30,000.00
City of Flagstaff	McMillan Mesa Natural Area Signage	\$9,998.00	\$9,998.00
National Forest Foundation	Sonoran Insiders Responsible Recreation Ambassador Program	\$9,855.00	\$9,855.00
TOTAL		\$79,853.00	\$79,853.00

2f. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding an Amendment to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant Budget for Requested Projects. This action will increase the previously approved grant award amount due to increased expenses.



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Amendment Request(s)					
Sponsor	Project	Original Award	Amended Increase Request	New Award	Staff/AORCC Recommendation
Clarkdale	Selna Mongini Park	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00
Yuma	East Mesa Park Phase I Expansion (Modify)	\$1,000,000.00	\$500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,500,000.00
TOTAL		\$2,000,000.00	\$1,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00	\$3,000,000.00

2g. Consideration of Action to Approve an Amendment to the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant to remove Significant Scope Items for Requested Projects. This action will remove significant scope items from the previously approved grant award.

Amendment Request(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Scope Item(s) removed	Savings	Staff/AORCC Recommendation
Clarkdale	Selna Mongini Park	Pickleball Courts/Lighting/Restroom	\$408,423.00	Approve Scope Change
Yuma	East Mesa Park Phase I Expansion	Splash Pad	\$500,000.00	Approve Scope Change

2h. Consideration of Action to Approve Funding for The Submitted 2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s). The following grant application(s) have been submitted for funding totaling \$554,798.40

2025 State Lake Improvement Fund Grant Application(s)				
Sponsor	Project	Request	Staff/AORCC	Score
Apache County Sheriff's Office	Boat Acquisition	\$210,384.00	\$210,384.00	37.5
Coconino County Sheriff's Office	Rescue and Emergency Services	\$344,415.00	\$344,415.00	58
TOTAL		\$554,799.00	\$554,799.00	



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3. Consideration of Action-The Board will Consider and May Take Action to Appoint Applicants to the Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group (OHVAG). (Presenter: Matt Eberhart, Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator.) *Member Sarah King made a motion to approve the appointment of the applicants to the OHVAG. Vice Chair Sefton seconded the motion and the board passed it unanimously.*

Matt Eberhart stated that they are continuing to work with other sheriff's offices and there will be continued submission of grant applications submitted.

Staff Recommendations			
Name	Organization	Term	Serving
Patrick Headington	Arizona Wildlife Foundation	2nd	2025-2027
Don Kramer	White Mountain Open Trail Association	1st	2025-2027
J.C. Sanders	Bouse Ghost Riders	1st	2025-2027

4. Recognition and Accomplishments of past Arizona Outdoor Coordinating Commission (AORCC) members (Presenter: Mickey Rogers, Chief of Grants and Trails). This agenda item is for information only. *-Mickey Rogers presented the recognition and accomplishments of past AORCC members and the members were presented with a certificate and a walking stick*

5. Recognition of RJ Cardin, Maricopa County Parks & Recreation (Presenter: Bob Broscheid, Executive Director) This agenda item is for information only. *-Chair Larsen and Director Broscheid presented RJ Cardin with a certificate and a walking stick*

6. Watts College at ASU-Students partnered with the City of Phoenix Parks and Recreation findings and recommendations on “Heat Mitigation on Trails” (Presenter: Chase Baugh, Student) This agenda item is for information only. *-Students presented to the board.*

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- *Member Palmberg would like to address the need for more board members on the State Parks Board.*

F. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT ON CURRENT EVENTS

- *Emerging Leaders CoHort 3 success*

G. CURRENT EVENTS

- *None*



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H. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

The Chair will recognize those wishing to address the Board. It is probable that each presentation will be limited to one person per organization and the time allotted by the Chair. Action taken because of acknowledgement of comments and suggestions from the public will be limited to directing staff to study the matter, responding to any criticism, or scheduling the matter for further consideration and decision at a later date. -None

I. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Arizona State Parks Board Tentative 2024 Meeting Schedule	
Date	Location
Thursday, January 16, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, February 20, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, March 20, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, April 17, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, May 15, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, June 19, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, July 17, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, August 21, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, September 18, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, October 16, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, November 20, 2025	Central Office
Thursday, December 18, 2025	Central Office

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:19 am.