

BIGHORN OUTBACK EXPLORERS
BOARD & GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
February 19, 2023

I. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by President Rusty Anderson at 11:10am.

Members in person present: Dakota Dawson, Debbie Baker, Karl Olson, Gretchen Voeks, Rusty Anderson

II. General Public Comment – none

III. Approval of Agenda for December February 19, 2023

Karl Olson made the motion that Item #15a Discussion/Decision on sending a letter to BLM regarding support for our trails within the Solar Energy Zone and Solar Exclusion Zone be added to the agenda and to approve the agenda. Gretchen Voeks second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

IV. Approval of the minutes for January 15, 2023

Debbie Baker made the motion to approve the minutes of 01/15/2023. Karl Olson second the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

V. New Membership

Debbie Baker presented the application from Buddy Campbell. Gretchen Voeks made the motion to approve the membership. Dakota Dawson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

VI. Treasurer's Report

Debbie Baker presented the 02/19/2023 treasurer's report. Gretchen Voeks made the motion to approve the report. Karl Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Debbie also reported that we must use the \$100 gift certificate from Polaris by the end of the year. We will use this for Poker Run raffle prizes.

VII. Donations – A \$40 donation was received from the Atomic Inn. Gretchen Voeks motioned to approve the donation. Dakota Dawson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

VIII. Nevada Silver Trails meeting- Karl Olson reported that the Nevada Silver Trails will advertise our poker run. Debbie will forward a copy of the poster to them for inclusion on their website.

IX. Poker Run subcommittee report – Gretchen Voeks read the minutes of the poker run subcommittee report for 2/19/2023. Debbie Baker motioned to send a check in the amount of \$571.45 to the insurance company for the poker run. Karl Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

X. Club flags – Rusty reported that he has requested a price for 30 sleeved and 30 grommeted flags. They will cost approximately \$13 a piece plus shipping. He will have an accurate price next week.

XI. Renew membership with Goldfield Chamber of Commerce

Karl Olson motioned that we renew our membership with the Goldfield Chamber of Commerce for \$40. Gretchen Voeks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. The membership provides us with advertisement & links on the Chamber's website, along with representation in their printed publications.

XII. Website updates – Board members agreed that they like the new website. Kit Hubert has sent digital images of runs to Debbie, who will forward them to Theresa for inclusion. Debbie is the contact for content being added to the website so please forward any additions or corrections to her. Dakota will find our Weebly account information so we can update and log in.

XIII. Calendar of events for rides, etc.

Rusty Anderson will lead a fun run, the Lost Trail Run, on February 25, 2023. Karl will notify the membership by email. This is a 53 mile run. On March 18, 2023, Karl will lead a fun run.

Debbie presented information on the Vegas Valley Four Wheelers "Hump 'N Bump" October 19-23 in Logandale, NV. We will post this run on our website.

- XIV. **Facebook page** – Dakota Dawson created a simple Facebook page under the name of “BigHorn Outback Explorers” directing readers to our webpage. He will add a comment asking folks to pre-register for the poker run. Dakota will manage the Facebook page.
- XV. **Future projects** – Karl will ask BLM for signage requirements. We are interested in potentially signing a trail from Beatty to Tonopah, in addition to the designated off-loading areas on our map. He will also speak with Bob Adams about how the Pahrump folks are applying to install signage from Pahrump to Beatty.
- a) Debbie drafted a letter from the BOE to the BLM requesting that the BLM limits solar projects to the Solar Exclusion Zone avoiding impact to our trails. Karl motioned to approve the sending of this letter. Gretchen Voeks seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Debbie will send the signed letter.
- XVI. **Next meeting date** – The next poker run subcommittee meeting will be held at 10am on March 19th, followed by a general/board meeting at 11am.
- XVII. **General Public Comment** - none
- XVIII. **Adjournment** - Meeting adjourned at 12:09pm.

Submitted by: *Gretchen Voeks* –Secretary