

BIGHORN OUTBACK EXPLORERS CLUB
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP & BOARD MEETING MINUTES

March 9, 2024

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:02 am by President Rusty Anderson

Members present: Rusty Anderson, Dakota Dawson, Karl Olson, Debbie Baker, Butch Baker, Ron Seale via phone.

Guests present – Randy Reed

2. **General Public comment** – Butch Baker reported that he will not be able to help with any course set-up due to medical issues.
3. **Approval of 4-14-2024 agenda** – Debbie Baker made the motion to approve agenda as presented. Karl Olson second the motion. Motion carried.
4. **Approval of 3-9-2024 meeting minutes**. Karl Olson made the motion to approve the minutes, Dakota Dawson seconded. Motion carried.
5. **New Memberships** – Debbie Baker presented an application from Gary Gresham. Debbie Baker made the motion to approve the application. Karl Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
6. **Treasurer report** – Debbie Baker presented the Treasurer report. Dakota Dawson made the motion to approve the report. Karl Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried.
7. **Acceptance of donations** – none.
8. **BGID playground equipment donation** – Debbie Baker reported that BOE's agenda request to BGID requesting our donation of \$7000.00 be returned was voted on and accepted. The reason for the return was due to the delay to the project and other issues. BOE will hold the funds earmarked for the project and will return once/when the project shows movement. Debbie was told that they would have to check with the County Treasurer's office as to how the funds would be returned. It was unsure which account the funds were deposited into. No action was taken.
- 9.. **Poker Run committee report** – Debbie Baker read into the minutes the many areas the committee discussed. Dakota Dawson made the motion to accept the committee report. Karl Olson seconds the motion. Motion carried. Ron Seale will be in Beatty on the 24th
10. **T-shirt design & logo** – Ron Seale reported that he has received 270 shirts and will sell them for \$28.00 ea. No action taken.
11. **Website postings** – Debbie reported that she received several pictures from our March fun run to put on our website.

12. **March 16 fun run** – Butch Baker reported that we had 12 vehicles, many who had not been on a run before. At the start speech, putting your vehicles into 4wd needs to be stressed. This caused several issues during the course. At one point, the group got separated due to one participant not waiting for the one behind at a turn. With limited radio communication (only 3 radios), this caused some concern. It was suggested that the club purchase a set of 2-4 radios for future runs. Also, radio communication etiquette needs to be stressed. Butch also stated that our club is non-political per our bylaws with participation or presentation of any such political displays strictly prohibited. Due to the weather, the run was cut short.

13. **Calendar of events for rides, etc.** – Karl Olson reported that Ron Matheny in Goldfield is having his Topless Jeep run on May 18th and will have the information for hand-outs at our poker run. Dakota Dawson stated we need to add the Beatty 4th of July parade too. Butch Baker reported that the DV Park Service has reported that the Echo Canyon & Triangle roads have been repaired and are open.

14. **Staging area project** – Debbie Baker reported that Mathew Giltner with NVORA sent an email that the OHV Commissions grant program manager has quit. A fill in is handling the vacancy until a new manager is hired. He has also been informed they will hire two personnel for that position. It is unsure, at this time, if the June grant period is still in place or will be pushed back. NVORA anticipate a mid-fall grant award meeting to put the program back on a consistent schedule. He will keep us aware. NVORA will continue to ll assist us with our project before the grant date is announced.

At the March 13, 2024, BGID meeting, they voted to approve the Land-Use design for parcel 018-361-01, which includes our OHV staging area of 4 acres. They also approved sending a letter to the Beatty Town Advisory Board and the Board of County Commissioners for a letter of support. Once these letters are approved and returned, BGID will send them with their application of change to BLM for formal & final approval. The requests for both boards are made for their April & May meetings.

15. **Set next meeting date** – Debbie Baker made the motion to set 5/5/2024 @ 9:00 for the Post-Poker Run committee & 10:00am for the General membership & board meeting. Karl Olson second the motion. Motion carried.

17. **General Public Comment** – None.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am.

Submitted by: **Debbie M. Baker**

Debbie M. Baker - Secretary