

MINUTES OF THE BOATING ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

SALT LAKE CITY UTAH

Division of State Parks and Recreation

Soldier Hollow Conference Room

3:30 to 6:00 pm

January 16, 2013

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Troy Mann	Dealer Rep	Present
Guy Taylor	Motorboat Rep	Present
Lucy Minahan	Sailing Rep	Excused
Mike Williams	Boating Safety & Education Rep	Present
Hank Cobb	Watersports Rep	Present
Tim Gaylord	Outfitter Rep	Present
Bill Rouleau	PWC Rep	Present
Rebekka Stone	Paddle sports Rep	Present via conference call
Ray Schelble	Boating Angler Rep	Present

DIVISION OF UTAH STATE PARKS AND RECREATION PERSONNEL

Dave Harris	Boating Program Manager
Brody Young	Assistant Boating Program Manager
Stacy Webster	Boating Program Executive Secretary
Jeff Rasmussen	Deputy Director
Dan Clark	Construction Manager
Tiffany Swaner	Construction Accounting Analyst
Craig Walker	Wildlife Aquatics

Troy welcomed everyone to the meeting. Dave introduced Jeff Rasmussen, Deputy Director of Utah State Parks, to the Council. The Council introduced themselves.

Jeff gave a back ground of his career and thanked the Council for the things they have done.

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER MINUTES

Guy made the motion to approve the minutes as presented. Bill seconded the motion. All were in favor.

MBA CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS

Dan Clark came in to introduce the construction team and gave a presentation on MBA funded projects within the State Parks.

MBA RATING CRITERIA

Craig Walker from Wildlife Resources came in to discuss the Motorboat Access grant review. Some of the ideas he and the Council discussed on the ranking of projects were:

- weigh some projects more heavily
- project being able to phase
- broad concepts (need, overall public benefit) components
- documentation (surveys, etc on needs) attached with project
- Weighting, show relationship to boater needs and use based on survey results
- Maintenance vs. development
- AIS
- Non motorized
- Big-eligible marina projects
- Parks attendance of soba to maximize use of cva
- Criteria ideas
 - Safety, enhances on the water
 - Water quality degradation
 - Investment vs economic value “bang for buck” (cite or provide information source)
 - Use 1-7 scale
 - Useful life
- Current criteria
 - Deterioration of facilities; inability to repair
 - Potential to increase motorboat use
 - Non DWR/DPR partnership (shared costs)
 - Angler/hunter use
 - Budget detail
 - Project detail
 - Need (related to location and current use)
 - Likelihood of enhanced use
 - Further development of earlier project phase
 - Proximity to existent facilities (redundant facilities score lower)
 - Overall public benefit
 - Is project a resubmission of earlier “failed” attempt for funding

Craig will come up with a draft for next year and will get that list to the Council members.

STAND UP PADDLE CRAFT

A citizen called Parks boating phone concerned about someone getting run over while on a stand up paddle craft and he wanted to talk to the Council about this subject. Unfortunately this individual had the meeting day mixed up and was not able to attend this meeting. But Laurie Backus, manager of Jordanelle State Park, came in to discuss stand up paddle craft since they are very popular at Jordanelle. She handed out the paddle boarder brochure her staff hands out to everyone who comes through the gate at Jordanelle. She also has a newsletter ‘Potty press’ that is put up in every bathroom in the park that discusses issues

within the park. Laurie brought up the idea of a buoy line fortified to help boarders to know which way to go. Jorndalle will be getting a electronic message board for their entrance station and she plans on putting messages about the stand up paddle craft on there. She has also put on Facebook and Twitter video messages about the sport. Jordanelle is also a united team with their concessionaire and outfitters who operate at the park and also rangers talk to visitors about this. Laurie thinks that if they get the word out, people will be cautious and watch for the paddle boarders. Jordanelle has not had a problem with them as of yet and Laurie believes being proactive will reduce problems.

There is a new phenomenon with lights on the stand up paddle boards. Some of the paddle boarders have asked if these lights were legal on the navigation lights rule. Paddle craft only need the white light (flashlight, head lamp) to prevent a collision. So in other words the new lights that go around the board and pretty much shine down in the water do not meet the requirement.

BOATING PROGRAM UPDATE

Dave showed a powerpoint presentation on the 2012 boating program, which is on file.

NEW BUSINESS

The next meeting will be April 3, 2013. Stacy will get with the manager at Starvation State Park to see if we can have the meeting there, weather depending.

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.