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DRAFT MINUTES
of
THE ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD
of
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JANUARY 9, 2020

A. CALL TO ORDER

Dale Larsen, Chair of the State Parks Board called the meeting to order at 10:06 am.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Dale Larsen led Board Members in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. BOARD MEMBERS ROLL CALL AND MISSION STATEMENT

Members Present: Dale Larsen, John Sefton, Debbie Johnson, Orme Lewis Jr., Shawn Orme, Terri Palmberg (Phone).

Staff Present: Bob Broscheid, Tim Franquist, Mickey Rogers, Matt Eberhart, Carolin Grund-Miller, Jeff Schmidt

Following roll call, Dale Larsen recited the State Parks Board Mission Statement.

D. AGENDA ITEMS

1. Consideration of Action to Approve Minutes of the November 14 2019 Board Meeting

Debbie Johnson moved to approve minutes of the November 14, 2019 Board Meeting. Orme Lewis Jr. seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Debbie Johnson approved. Orme Lewis Jr. approved. Shawn Orme approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.

2. Update and Discussion on Boyce Thompson Arboretum (BTA).

Tim Franquist, Arizona State Parks Deputy Director provided an update on the status of the operations of Boyce Thompson Arboretum. Lynne Nemeth, Executive Director of Boyce Thompson Arboretum also addressed the Board.

3. Adamsville Emergency and Mitigation Grant.

Matt Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator briefed Board Members on the Adamsville Off-Highway Vehicle Mitigation Grant that is currently being executed in partnership with the Arizona State Land Department.

4. Grants and Trails Section Update.

Mickey Rogers, Arizona State Parks Chief of Grants and Trails provided an update on the OHV Veterans Ride. Staff also demonstrated the Google 360 state parks trails application and discussed the upcoming trail summit that will be held in Cottonwood in February.

5. Discussion and Consideration of Applicants for Off-Highway Vehicle Advisory Group (OHVAG).

Matt Eberhart, State Off-Highway Vehicle Coordinator discussed potential new OHVAG Members. Debbie Johnson moved to approve Ben Alteneder, Geoff Chain, and Holly Irwin as new OHVAG members. Shawn Orme seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Debbie Johnson approved. Orme Lewis Jr. approved. Shawn Orme approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.

6. Update and Discussion on Potential Acquisition and Development of Privately-Owned Land for Bouse Staging Development.

Mickey Rogers, Arizona State Parks Chief of Grants and Trails briefed Board members on the potential acquisition and development of privately-owned land for a proposed staging area in Bouse, Arizona. Following his briefing, Norm Simpson, Mayor of Quartzsite, and land owner made a statement to the Board. Board Members requested staff continue their due diligence efforts until the next Board Meeting.

7. January Park Highlight: Picacho Peak.

Carolyn Grund-Miller, Park Manager, Picacho Peak State Park briefed the Board on revenue, visitation and the park's current and future state.

8. Discussion and Consideration of Action to Approve the 2020 Board Meeting Schedule.

The Board discussed the 2020 Board meeting schedule but did not act to approve.

9. Election of 2020 Board Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

Terri Palmberg nominated Dale Larsen for Chair of the Arizona State Parks Board. There were no further nominations. Debbie Johnson moved to approve Dale Larsen as Chair of the Arizona State Parks Board. Terri Palmberg seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Debbie Johnson approved. Orme Lewis Jr. approved. Shawn Orme approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.

Terri Palmberg nominated John Sefton for Vice Chair of the Arizona State Parks Board. There were no other nominations. Terri Palmberg moved to approve the nomination of John Sefton as Vice Chair of the Arizona State Parks Board. Debbie Johnson seconded the motion. Dale Larsen approved. John Sefton approved. Debbie Johnson approved. Orme Lewis Jr. approved. Shawn Orme approved. Terri Palmberg approved. The motion passed.

E. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Board members identified items they would like to see on future agendas.

F. CURRENT EVENTS

Board members discussed current events. Member Sefton mentioned a trip he took to Arizona State Parks along the Colorado River.

G. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

No members of the public requested to speak.

H. FUTURE MEETING DATES

Board Members discussed potential future meeting dates.

I. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board did not enter executive session.

J. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 am.