

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY

Anthracite Outdoor Adventure Area Authority



RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES FOR OHV – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT –
CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

AGENDA 9/22/14 – 6:30 pm.

- 1) **Chairman:** Call to order. Time: 6:30
- 2) **Chairman:** Pledge of Allegiance
- 3) **Chairman:** Moment of Silence - *Held in honor of Mrs. Welker's passing*
- 4) **Secretary:** Roll Call:

<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>
D. Crawl	M. Schwartz	J. Backes	P. Mack	B. Yorwarth

- 5) Public Comment – Agenda Items Only:
NONE

- 6) Secretary's Report / Minutes:

Chairman: I would ask for a Motion to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2014 meeting?

Motion: CRAWL Second: YORWARTH

On the question? NONE

Voice Vote

All in Favor? YES

Any Opposed? NONE

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

- 7) Treasurer's Report:

Chairman: I would ask for a Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report?

Motion: YORWARTH Second: CRAWL

On the question? NONE

Roll Call Vote:

<u>YES</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>
D. Crawl	M. Schwartz	J. Backes	P. Mack	B. Yorwarth

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

8) Bills:

Chairman: I would ask for a Motion to approve the bills as presented.

⤴	Garigan & Targonski	\$322	August billing
⤴	PPL monthly bill	\$160.93	
⤴	Verizon monthly bill	\$71.55	
⤴	DMS	\$75.00	4yd container
⤴	Dan Shingara Enterprises	\$330.00	9/9 Pumping and Porta Pottys
⤴	FNB Bank	\$107.42	CC fees
⤴	Excide Internet	\$75.58	
⤴	Eye Spy Security	\$1,606.50	7/21
⤴	NAPA	\$105.38	

Motion: CROWL Second: MACK

On the question? NONE

Roll Call Vote:

<u>YES</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>	<u>YES</u>
D. Crowl	M. Schwartz	J. Backes	P. Mack	B. Yorwarth

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

9) Correspondence:

Chairman: The board would recognize the following correspondence:

- Sanders Environmental will be on the property over the next few weeks starting tonight as part of their work with the pipeline project. They will work with the Director to coordinate location and times of access.
- Letter from Earthday Campground requesting direct access to the AOAA.

10) Reports / Public Announcements:

- Through Sunday September 14th, we have sold 3,650 passes and received \$92,990 in pass sales.
- We are now open on Friday 9-5, Saturday 9-7 and Sunday 9-5.
- 9/13 CMN ride coordinated by ATR was a huge success. Thank you to all those that volunteered before and during the event.
This event had 312 participants which was a record for this event, and great considering the weather. Over \$6,000 was raised for Children's Miracle Network.
- The Northumberland County Conservation District stopped at the AOAA as part of their Board Director's tour and held their September monthly meeting here. (May want to mention this is something we are happy doing)
- An executive session was held with Zerbe Police Chief Johns at the beginning of the last work session.

11) **Chairman:** I would like to thank the following for the donations to the project:

12) **Chairman:** I would like to ask for a motion to purchase AOAA sweatshirts from Academy Sports in Mount Carmel at a price not to exceed \$3,500.

Motion:	<u>YORWARTH</u>	Second:	<u>MACK</u>	
On the question?	<u>NONE</u>			
Roll Call Vote:				
YES	ABSENT	YES	YES	YES
D. Crowl	M. Schwartz	J. Backes	P. Mack	B. Yorwarth

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

13) **Chairman:** I would ask for a motion to advertise for a request for proposals for several pieces of equipment as per the DCNR C2P2 grant award which will include a back hoe, a tractor, and a side by side.

Motion:	<u>YORWARTH</u>	Second:	<u>CROWL</u>	
On the question?	<u>NONE</u>			
Voice Vote				
		All in Favor?	<u>YES</u>	
		Any Opposed?	<u>NONE</u>	

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

14) **Chairman:** I would like to ask for a motion to donate or loan a gate, time, trail cameras and/or resources to aid Coal Township Commissioners in installing a gate in the area of the Second Patch.

Motion:	<u>CROWL</u>	Second:	<u>YORWARTH</u>	
On the question?	<u>NONE</u>			
Roll Call Vote:				
YES	ABSENT	YES	YES	YES
D. Crowl	M. Schwartz	J. Backes	P. Mack	B. Yorwarth

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

15) **Chairman:** I would like to ask for a motion to send a letter to the County Commissioners expressing the willingness of the AOAA Authority to aid or support negotiations for the potential exchange of surface rights, between the County and private land owners that may aid the AOAA in bridging the Eastern and Western Reserve, and access to Zerbe Township.

Motion:	<u>YORWARTH</u>	Second:	<u>CROWL</u>	
On the question?	<u>NONE</u>			
Voice Vote				
		All in Favor?	<u>YES</u>	
		Any Opposed?	<u>NONE</u>	

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

16) **Chairman:** I would like to ask for a motion to accept road millings from Eastern Industries over the next few months which will be applied to our access road to smooth the surface or into our existing approved fill site approximately 1 mile to the east of the Welcome Center.

Motion: MACK Second: YORWARTH

On the question? Mr. Yorwarth wanted to be clear that the hope is not to fill the permitted area, but create an obstacle
Mr. Mack clarified that the holes to be filled in the access road are on the top road above the Welcome center. Additionally he would like to see formal clearance from the Conservation District.

Voice Vote
All in Favor? YES
Any Opposed? NONE

The Motion passes / fails PASSES.

17) **Chairman:** Is there any old business?
NONE

18) **Chairman:** Is there any new business?
Mr. Mack presented a first draft of a revised hunting policy of what the County Commissioner's had adopted a few years ago for the property. Ultimately this is a first draft, and we would like to hear any public input and ideas before adoption. This proposal broadens the season out into Mid- October to include certain small game seasons, additionally it has the AOAA open for business on Fridays and Saturdays, thus hunting can only be done in the morning hours before opening. Chairman Backes recommended the board take time to review this as proposed, understanding it's a draft, speak to those interested in hunting the property, and also remember that as the property expands, or changes we can do many different things for all the facets of recreation on the property.

19) **Chairman:** Is there any public comment on items other than those on the agenda?
Joe Bressi commented that the road leading from Earthday Campgrounds is getting heavy use. They are not recommending their users use that road, nor are they promoting it and he doesn't want the perception that they may be. Ultimately they would like to see this used as an access point, but understand we are working to get the west open.

A representative from Monster Moto asking if all the AOAA meetings like this one are public? Chairman Backes answered Yes, they are.

20) **Chairman:** Is there a Motion to Adjourn?
Motion: MACK

Meeting adjournment time: 7:05