

# **Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Advisory Committee**

March 31, 2021

## **MINUTES**

Committee Members:	Debbie Burgos- Chair – PRESENT
	Michael Frye- Vice Chair- PRESENT
	Steve Paxton- PRESENT
	Ross Williams- EXCUSED
	Ken Freeman- PRESENT

Dave DeMarais- **PRESENT** Kenny Thatcher- **PRESENT** Donald Jackson- **PRESENT** 

Secretary: Amelia Smith, 702-704-4572, CCOHV@ClarkCountyNV.gov

- I. Call to Order Roll call The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. Commissioner Kirkpatrick & Commissioner Gibson were present
- II. Public Comment None
- III. Approval of January 29, 2020 Minutes

Moved by: Dave DeMarais Action: Approved Vote: 6-0/Unanimous

IV. Approval of Agenda for March 31, 2021

Moved by: Kenny Thatcher Action: Approved as written Vote: 6-0/Unanimous

- V. Informational Items (for discussion only)
  - 1. Identify Emerging Issues to be addressed by the committee during future meetings.

Add the national monument to the meeting agenda for an emergency meeting. The date will be established amongst the committee members.

Debbie Burgos - Senate Bill 170 & Assembly Bill 320 directly impacts OHV use so these items will be added to the next meeting

Commissioner Gibson - we can ask Joanna Jacob to send a draft of the bills to each committee member

2. Announcements of general information that may be of interest to committee members or the general public.

SNORE – motion tire 250 this weekend SNOREracing.net, Legacy Racing Association - Baja Nevada May 13-16 and looking for volunteers legacyracing.net, Vegas Valley 4 Wheelers - October 28-31 Hump N Bump VV4W.org. Sin City Off Roaders meets at Dairy Queen on Rancho and Craig Rd on Friday nights from 6-8pm, MRAN - Ground Shakers Race April 2 and the Wild Bunch Race on April 24 racemran.com, Best in the Desert – Jim co racing silver state 300 bitd.com.

Kenny Thatcher - in 2022 partnering with Baja Vegas for off-road tours. Kenny will share additional information as it becomes available.

#### VI. Business Items

1. Off Highway Committee to Elect Chair and Vice Chair to serve the remaining of the OHV Committee's term ending August 7, 2021 (for possible action)

Moved by: Michael Frye Action: Approve Debbie Burgos as Chair Vote: 7-0/Unanimous

Moved by: Kenny Thatcher Action: Approve Michael Frye as Vice Chair Vote: 7-0/Unanimous

Can the committee vote to extend their term due to loss of time? Commissioner Gibson – they can add it to a future agenda and then it can be added to the BCC for a vote

2. Review and/or approve meeting DRAFT calendar dates for 2021 (for possible action)

#### Moved by: Debbie Burgos

Action: Motion to postpone a vote on the calendar for 2021 until the May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting **Vote: 7-0/Unanimous** 

3. Reprioritize Issue Tracking List, receive updates, select issue managers and update/delete items from the Issue Tracking List. (for possible action)

#### Moved by: Debbie Burgos

Action: Move Issue Items 1 & 2 to the complete section & change Issue Item 7 from low priority to high priority,

#### Vote: 6-0/Unanimous, Kenny Thatcher was not present for this item

Debbie Burgos - (Item 12) Ross is currently at 70% completion on the loop and has a lot of support

Issue 7 - there are talks of the wind solar being proposed again but has not received any communication from BLM. Kenny Thatcher (Item 7) - believes they have until August to receive approval.

Debbie Burgos read Ross Williams comment into the record (for Item 21). A copy of this comment will be provided with the minutes. Debbie encouraged folks to reach out to Senator Catherine Cortez-Masto's Office and to make sure that they include that it's in regard to the federal lands bill. Mike Frye - is there anything the committee can do to make an impact beyond what's already been done? What are their next steps? Commissioner Kirkpatrick - feels like items have added back to the bill which supports OHV use. OHV use will continue to be supported in Ivanpah as long as there is no airport. In the meantime, they can continue to look at other pieces of land to establish for OHV use. Debbie Burgos - has been in contact with Zach in Catherine Cortez Masto's Office and is encouraging members and the public to continue to reach out in support of OHV use on public lands. Debbie will be meeting with her office soon with a group to discuss this in great detail. Kenny Thatcher - asking the commissioners about the wilderness and conservation easements. He's under the impression that there has to be a certain percentage of conservation areas according to the amount of acreage sold off or disposed of? Is there a way to designate a certain portion to OHV use? Marilyn Kirpatrick - the 2 for 1 was designated for Gold Butte and Tule Springs to designate land for OHV use. The committee can ask Senator Masto's office to add an outdoor recreation component to her bill. Debbie Burgos clarified that the OHV language was added back to the bill.

### VII. Public Comment

Debbie Burgos – extended a big thank you to Sue Baker for her hard work over the years. Sue Baker has retired and has stepped down from the board. Mike Frye - the new permit process with COVID can be a subject to discuss on the next agenda.

VIII. Next Meeting Date

The next regular meeting May 26, 2021

### IX. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.