

**Town of Henniker  
OHRV Committee  
Wednesday, June 30, 2021**

**DRAFT**

– technical difficulties resulted in meeting not being recorded

**Members Present:** Jim Morse, Beth Patenaude, Scott Dias, Ross Bennett, Paul Sheppard, Police Chief French, Kris Blomback via phone

**Members Excused:** Road Agent Leo Aucoin, Drew Major, Bob Garrison, Stephanie Payeur

**Guests:** Burns Barford, Nancy DeMoura, Keith DeMoura

Chair Jim Morse called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and opened it for Public Comment. No Public Comment.

Reviewed meeting minutes from 3/23/21 zoom meeting. Several corrections were made.

Ross Bennett questioned if the committee members who were listed as “excused” such as Drew Major, Bob Garrison and Stephanie Payeur were in fact still members since they have not attended the last several meetings. No one knew for sure, but Jim will inquire with the town offices. Ross asked who Riché Colcombe was who spoke at the 3/23/21 meeting. Jim stated that she is the Treasurer of the ATV Club and is a resident of Hillsboro. Ross stated that he would like the minutes changed to include that she is a Hillsboro resident.

**Safety/Police Concerns/Resident’s and OHRV Committee Concerns:** Police Chief French sent the OHRV committee the data of stops, complaints and incidents/crashes from January through June for the years of 2018 – 2021 for comparison. The numbers for 2021 are significantly less than last year. Chief French added that he received another Grant from Fish and Game for @ \$2,600 - \$2,700. Beth Patenaude asked if the PD had received any calls from the residents on Mt. Hunger Rd. or Butter Rd. and Chief French said no. Ross Bennett stated that just because they have not called does not necessarily mean that they are happy. Beth Patenaude asked Burns Barford, President of the ATV Club, if he had reached out to those residents. Burns stated he had sent them several emails but had yet to receive any response. He added that the club had posted extra signage on those two roads and club members continue to perform Trail Patrols to educate riders and encourage them to ride responsibly. Nancy DeMoura added that she and her husband Keith are among the club members who have been out on trail patrol and the feedback has been very positive. Riders have been obeying the speed limits and being respectful. Scott Dias commented that he has encountered ATVs on Flanders Rd and Davison Rd and they have all been riding respectfully. Ross Bennett wanted to know if the club had posted “No ATV” signs on Mink Hill Rd at the junction of the Goat Trail, as Warner has closed their section at the Henniker/Warner Town line. Beth Patenaude said that signs had been posted, and “Dead End” ahead signs have also been posted at that junction. Keith DeMoura said he had just recently ridden through that area performing Trail Patrol and can attest to the signs still being posted.

**Roads/Road Agent Concerns/Signage:** Road Agent, Leo Aucoin was not in attendance. Beth Patenaude shared with the committee that the ATV Club has purchased 2.5 tons of calcium chloride for the Town to apply to the gravel roads that permit ATVs. This was the same amount that the club purchased for the Town last year.

Jim Morse stated that the club continues to monitor trail/road signage but if anyone sees any that have been knocked over or need repair, to please let the club know.

**Public Comment #2:** No public comment.

**Motion to adjourn.**