

**Governor's Snowmobile Council**  
**January 5, 2022**  
**Draft Minutes**

**Present:**

Pat Poulin, Chairman  
Trevor Carbo, Vermont State Police  
Cindy Locke, VAST Executive Director  
Gary Nolan, VAST Law Enforcement Committee  
Star Poulin, Governor Appointee  
Dick Jewett, Governor Appointee  
Shannon Fassett – VT DMV  
Michael Smith – VT DMV  
Jenna Reed – Vermont F&W

**VAST Staff Present:**

Ken Brown, VAST Trails Manager

**Guests:**

Stan Choiniere, VAST Safety Committee  
Mike Mustachio (in for Ken Gammell)  
Jacob Metayer – Vermont State Police  
Jason Luneau – Morristown PD

The meeting was convened at 3:03 PM via Zoom.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Motion:**

Star moved that the minutes of the December 2021 be approved as circulated, motion seconded by Gary. **Motion carried.**

**SSTP Financial Report**

Matt was unable to make the meeting so sent the following: The SSTP Invoice for November was sent. That is the latest we have, although the December invoice should be arriving from Sheila and moment.

**Motion:**

Gary moved that the SSTP report be accepted, motion seconded by Star.  
**Motion carried.**

**Agency Reports**

Vermont State Police

Trevor reported that the safety classes so far that have been reported are 24 for in person and 601 for online courses. This is a little lower this year verses last year

because of low snow he thinks. Trevor also introduced Jake who may want to replace Trevor in his position on the council when Trevor retires in the fall.

#### Fish & Wildlife

Jenna reported that coordination efforts are going well. They are ready to go once trails open. They have done three trainings so far (Orange, Orleans and Lamoille Counties)

#### Sheriff's Association

Not present.

#### Southern Vermont Wilderness Search & Rescue

No present.

#### Department of Motor Vehicles

Registrations slightly up this year over last year.

#### Forest, Parks & Recreation

Not present.

### **VAST**

#### TMA Report

- As of today, we have sold 19,649 TMAs.
- Cindy updated that the AORRG Insurance is moving forward.
- Cindy presented an update of the LLE website for LE to use.

### **Law Enforcement Committee**

Gary reported that he attended the training put on by F&W in Lamoille County. Folks from Lamoille and Orange County were there. He thanked Jenna for doing a great job coordinating the trainings.

Gary stated that Jenna had sent him wording that they could use to make a slight change in statute regarding being able to enforce proof of insurance be carried on a person. Wording would be to add "have to carry on you".

Need to check to see if we can add it this session or next.

### **VAST Safety Committee**

Stan mentioned International Safety Week in January. Asking LE and safety ambassadors to take photos while out.

Safety signs have been approved for printing and will be made available to clubs.

### **Legislative Report**

Not present.

### **Appointee Reports**

#### Northwest

Star Poulin reported that so far not much was open due to lack of snow.

#### Northeast

Mike Mustachio reminded folks to be safe because COVID is growing.

#### South

Dick said, their club had built a new trail to a restaurant and they were very excited to add another service to their trail system.

### **Motion:**

Star moved to close the meeting at 3:55pm; motion seconded by Gary. ***Motion carried.***

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Locke