Special Whitewater Commission Meeting Minutes July 25, 2022

Location: WV DNR Headquarters – 324 4th Avenue, South Charleston, WV 25303

Chaired: Lt. Col. David Trader

In Attendance:

Commissioners: Chris Ellis (private river user via Zoom); Bobby Bower (Sandstone Jetboats via Zoom); Frank Sellerds (NPS via Zoom); Chris Hayes (AWVR via Zoom); Heather Johnson (River Expeditions via Zoom); George Heffner (Harpers Ferry Adventure Center)

Others: Amy Lucas (WVDNR); Cpl. Whittington (WV DNR via Zoom); Wendy Greene (Deputy Director WV DNR); Bob Layne (Tygart Watershed Experience)

Call to Order

The Whitewater Commission meeting of July 25, 2022 was called to order at 1:07 p.m. by Lt. Col. David Trader. Introductions were made.

New Business

- Discussion of public comment received from Bob Layne (Tygart Watershed Experience). Mr. Layne was given the chance to voice his opinion on changing the rule of number of guides required on Tygart River from the Covered Bridge at Philippi to County Route 12 Bridge at Arden.
- Cpl. Whittington also explained to the Commission that section of the Tygart River.
- Motion was made by Chris Ellis to amend the rule under subsection 9.12.5 from having two guides to only one from the Covered Bridge at Philippi to County Route 12 Bridge at Arden. Chris Hayes seconded. Motion carried.
- The Rules Committee will review the final file after the changes are made.
- Amy Lucas will send the link to the final file to Commission after changes are made.

Next Meeting Date and Place

The 3rd Quarterly Whitewater Commission Meeting will be held at WV DNR Headquarters via Zoom, 324 4th Avenue, South Charleston, WV 25303 on Tuesday, September 6, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The Special Whitewater Commission meeting adjourned at 1:26pm. Chris Hayes made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Bobby Bower.