

# **4th Quarterly Whitewater Commission Meeting Minutes**

## **December 17, 2024**

**Location:** WV DNR Headquarters – 324 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, South Charleston, WV 25303

**Chaired:** Lt. Col. David Trader

### **In Attendance:**

Commissioners: Rick Johnson (River Expeditions via Zoom); Ed Wooton (private river user via Zoom); Corey VanBibber (Tourism via Zoom); Nate Freier (NPS via Zoom); Lt. Col. David Trader (WV DNR)

Others: Amy Hudnall (WVDNR); First Sgt. CJ Whittington (WV DNR via Zoom); Brian Bolyard (WV DNR via Zoom); Ian McQuinn (Tyler Technologies via Zoom)

### **Call to Order**

The Whitewater Commission meeting of December 17, 2024, was called to order at 1:04 p.m. by Lt. Col. David Trader. Introductions were made.

### **Approval of August 27, 2024, Minutes**

Motion was made by Rick Johnson to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2024, meeting. Motion was seconded by Ed Wooton. Motion carried.

### **Budget**

Lt. Col. Trader noted the budget in the packet to Commission members. No further discussion was made.

### **Old Business**

- New members recommendations update; we are still waiting on approval from Governor's Office for Dave Holloway, Chris Ellis and Ed Wooton; two members will expire June 2025 (Don Beyer and George Heffner, Jr.)

### **New Business**

- WV OT does not want to run the whitewater website any longer
- Ian McQuinn with Tyler Technologies presented what his company can do to make the current site better. He stated that they have worked with State Parks. He stated that "Modern Access & Authentication" can use a Google or Facebook account for logging in, will be "self-service" by default, will have a payment system. He stated that the shift to platform solutions will be "no code/low code" platforms; customer experience focus; will have external connectivity (API's).
- Lt. Col. Trader explained that this was just an introductory presentation, and the commission will be kept up to date
- First Sgt. CJ Whittington and Rick Johnson spoke about who is paying for the gauges: NPS has surplus funds and has been paying; Homeland Security may start paying; Rick has been speaking with Ed McGuire (DEP) and the gauge cost is \$18,500 for 2024; Nate Freier stated that NPS is still discussing who will be paying for the gauges

### **Next Meeting Date and Place**

The 1st Quarterly Whitewater Commission Meeting will be held at WV DNR Headquarters via Zoom, 324 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, South Charleston, WV 25303 on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 1:00 p.m.

### **Adjournment**

The 4th Quarterly Whitewater Commission meeting adjourned at 1:40pm.