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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT Terry Lewis

The possibility of a new OHV statewide program?

Its long been a dream of the members of CORA that a statewide OHV (off Highway Vehicle) program be developed. In large part to help spread the use of those vehicles to other parts of the state. In the beginning CORA observed the annual increase of users to the Royal Blue area. When the parking lots were installed by TWRA, CORA members would cruse these parking lots and note the license plates of the many out of state visitors. We could see it growing at an incredible rate.

In 1999 the then Governor Don Sundquist commissioned a study by the University of Tennessee to address the emerging economic, social, and environmental issues related to this special recreational activity. The results of that study were very surprising to most. Here are a few of the highlights found in the study.
Number of Households with an OHV users 260,000
Total number of OHV users 553,000
Number of OHV active users 280,000
Number of households with an active users 156,000

According to UTK, the average OHV rider in Tennessee is a 38 to 44 year old white male, with a high school degree and some college education. He earns between 50,000 and 74,999 per yr. Further analyses by UTK estimates the economic impact of OHV activity to have been 3.6 Billion between June 30, 2000 and June 30, 2001. If you consider that the stated economic impact of hunting and fishing in Tennessee during this same time period was 2.5 Billion. It's easy to see the need for a statewide OHV program. However, the legislators in Nashville could not agree on who would lead this statewide program. TDEC has the mandate to regulate outdoor recreation. But they did not wish to take on a huge statewide program. A lot of discussion was had concerning the many negatives of this type of recreation. Issues like trespassing, maintaining water quality and the lack of places across the state to ride were just too troublesome for TDEC. Many with TDEC argued that OHV use was just not a sustainable use, that trails could not be made environmentally compatible and that OHV was not compatible with wildlife. So nothing happened. Many complained and a lot of lobbying of legislators but again nothing happened. Royal Blue remained the only OHV riding area in the entire state to be open for public use. CORA once again came to the table and worked with TWRA to set up a pilot program for the trail system and the user fees on the Royal Blue WMA.

Now 15 years later, once again our current governor, Bill Haslam and his staff has recognized the tremendous need for a statewide OHV program and commissioned a special 9 member OHV committee charged with three special recommendations to be considered. The governor's office appointed CORA's president Terry Lewis to serve as one of the 9 members of this special committee.

The three recommendations to be addressed by this advisory committee:

Training (1*) The provision of training, instruction, or education to potential and existing off-highway vehicle owners and operators within the state regarding the safe operation of off-highway vehicles*

Inventory (2) *The existing and potential off-highway vehicle recreation areas, trails and other facilities within this state that allow or are suitable for off-highway vehicle use, whether or not they are owned or operated by private landowners or the state, local governments, or the United States, including the advisory committee's development of an inventory of those areas.*

Funding *(3) The cost and feasibility of providing safety training, instruction, education; and acquiring, constructing developing, and maintaining off-highway vehicle areas on public or private lands, including the identification of all private and public funding sources, such as imposition of a fee to defray the cost.*

Let me share a few stats that are reflective of the

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TWRA WILDLIFE MANGER 1—SILVICULTURE By: Lucas Hadden

Silviculture-*the art and science of controlling the establishment, growth, composition, health, and quality of forests and woodlands to meet the diverse needs and values of landowners and society on a sustainable basis.*

To begin to understand how we, as an agency can use our forests as a tool to increase large and small game populations, migratory birds, and even fish, we have to understand the stages of forest succession and how different flora and fauna respond to the respective age of the stand. Following the decline of small scale, family farms in the 1940's, many of our croplands here in Tennessee began to fall fallow as trees seeded the edges and briars overtook the fields. This habitat, referred to as early successional habitat, is ideal for species such as the northern bobwhite quail, whitetail deer and wild turkey. These species utilize the abundance of seed and soft mast produced by the new flush of growth on the landscape. With the implementation of the Smokey the Bear campaign in the 1950's through the 80's, prescribed fire was restricted, resulting in the inability to manage these early successional areas. This lack of burning led to the regeneration of many of the forests we have today and explains why many of those that grew up in this time period have watched the decline of the bobwhite quail. The areas that were not farmed were irresponsibly logged, harvesting only the best trees. The resulting forest is one which only the poorest genetic stock is left, is not left on purpose, but there is simply no economic return on poor timber. These residual trees have poor form, subpar crown development or even simply undesirable to wildlife. Through active management of our forests, which includes cutting of timber and prescribed burning, foresters today

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are able to restore favorable habitat for bobwhite quail and grouse, increase browse for deer and increase insect populations for turkey forage.

I wanted to include the definition of silviculture at the beginning of this article to put emphasis on the process as an art and science in the care of all aspects of the forests. As a work unit at North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area, we inventory approximately 1600 acres a year. This inventory is to gain a better understanding of what areas we are losing to undesirable wildlife species such as red maple or yellow poplar, or even invasive species such as Japanese stilt grass or Tree-of-Heaven. This inventory also provides us with information on what areas we need to more intensively manage to harbor the regeneration of mast producers such as oaks and hickories. Following the data collection part of forest inventory, we analyze the data and discuss what areas need to be the focus.

As foresters for TWRA, it is our job to inventory the forests of our management areas to assess health, calculate age and use site productivity to figure the a management strategy that will produce a forest that will favor wildlife and give the public the opportunities that they are looking to get out of their land. The use of silvicultural techniques truly is an art in regards to aesthetics, but is also a science in the fact that results are able to be replicated through use of consistent variables such as soil type, forest type and directional aspect. When forests reach a mature age, we are able to use different harvest techniques to control and steer a stand towards specific goals. Our objectives as an agency are wildlife oriented, so we look to put a patchwork mosaic of forest classes across the landscape through harvesting and other silvicultural techniques.

To many, timber harvests and different cutting techniques look very similar and all look destructive. There are broken trees, branches, and skid trails that cover the ground. However, within the first growing season, the seeds (both acorns and herbaceous cover) begin to sprout and cover the bare ground. One of the jobs that we have as forest managers is to layout harvest areas in such a way to protect streams and minimize erosion. We also "retire" harvest areas when they are complete to turn the logging roads into "linear wildlife openings". These openings are essentially elongated food plots, where we lime and seed these areas to prevent erosion and provide food for wildlife.

Many questions have come to our office in regards to the large scale timber cutting on the original Sundquist Unit and concerns about sustainability and management. The Lyme Timber Company currently holds the lease for the timber on this property and the Agency will receive the rights back to the property in 2017. The company serves as a Timber Investment Organization (TIMO), an organization that is an aid in investment for clients. Their income and returns are dependent on the amount of timber they cut each year to serve their clients. With this being said, they are looking to utilize as much timber within their lease as possible before it expires. Where these areas often look desolate and barren following the completion of a job, these areas will indeed grow back in subsequent years.

We hope this article is able to shed some light on the forestry program and North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area. Forestry is often viewed in a poor light as destructive and counterproductive to wildlife management, but it is important to understand that all processes we do are looking at a forest forty, fifty, even eighty years down the road. The actions we have today affect our forests of tomorrow, so every decision is based on science and the conservation of our resources for future generations.

PRESIDENT LETTER

increased users of OHV since the 1999 study. If a user is hunter legal they do not have to purchase a special OHV permit. So the increase in users is easy to see.

In 2001 the number of type 93 licenses sold was 278

In 2014 the number of type 93 licenses sold was 2971

The following represents the number of North Cumberland Special Use Permits sold state wide last year. These were sold exclusively for the use on the North Cumberland.

35 Res Annual

2014	137	74.00	10,138.00

36 Res Daily

2104	2771	15.15	41,980.65

37 NRes Annual

2014	8	233.00	1,864.00

38 Nres Annual

2014	5967	37.50	233,762.50

Number of permits sold

2014 11,854 so its very easy to see the large increase in use.

Next time I'll share the proposed new user fee's, new riding areas and pro posed trail heads. And most important who we recommend to Manage and operate this very important OHV program.

THE ELK TOWER: TEN YEARS OF ELK VIEWING EXPERIENCES

LAFOLLETTE---While it may have been over a "coon's age" since the Hatfield Knob Elk Viewing Tower was constructed, elk remain the target species for viewing by visitors at the North Cumberland Wildlife Management Area. In commemoration, the TWRA will hold special interpretive sessions October 10. This year marks the tenth anniversary of the tower's construction on Hatfield Knob, which is part of the Sundquist Unit of the NCWMA. The tower continues to be the best location for public elk viewing in Tennessee.

Tennessee's Elk Restoration Program was born in 2000, followed by the release of a small herd of elk on Hatfield Knob in 2003. The herd quickly found and consumed the 2.5 -acre food plot of oats and Austrian winter peas that had been planted on the site, signifying that more food was needed if the elk were to stay in the area. It was during this time that TWRA volunteer Terry Lewis and his wife, Jane, designed and purchased building materials for the tower. The tower was erected with the help from volunteers of the Campbell Outdoor Recreation Association (CORA), the Tennessee Wildlife Federation, the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, other volunteers, as well as TWRA officers, the Royal Blue Unit crew of the North Cumberland WMA, and TWRA Elk Biologist Steve Bennett. In all, about 40 acres on top of Hatfield Knob have been cleared and consist of food plots for elk grazing and harbor about 35-40 elk daily.

The tower lies in the heart of the elk restoration zone, which encompasses about 670,000 acres in Anderson, Campbell, Claiborne, Scott and Morgan Counties. Research conducted by The University of Tennessee Human Dimensions Lab documents that over 16,000 people annually visit the tower, but it's likely that thousands more visit the tower, but do not take time to fill out the survey form.

The TWRA welcomes visitors to bring their cameras and binoculars to enjoy elk viewing at the tower. Visitors to the tower are also reminded that the best time to view elk is in the late afternoon or evening and to remain quiet to avoid startling the animals.

Although the elk tower is open year-round, the public is invited to join TWRA biologists for interpretive sessions and walks to the tower on Saturday, October 10 at 9:30 a.m. and at 3:30 p.m. These sessions coincide with the ATV Festival being held in downtown LaFollette on the same day and will likely draw several visitors to the elk tower.

To reach Hatfield Mountain, drive north out of Lafollette on Highway 25W approximately seven miles to the top of the mountain. Turn left at the red gate, just before the road starts to break over the mountain and go down the back side. Proceed on the gravel road approximately 3.1 miles to a fork in the road. Take the right fork approximately 1.4 miles to the parking area. Walk around the closed gate and follow the walking trail approximately 500 yards to the viewing tower.

---TWRA---

PHOTO: Courtesy of (Jane Lewis) Terry Lewis, President of the Campbell Outdoor Recreation Association.

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CORA MEETING MINUTES

CORA Meeting Minutes of May 5th, 2015

The Board meeting commenced at approximately 7:00 PM, at the Campbell County Court House in Jacksboro, TN.

The meeting was opened by CORA Chairman Mike McAfee.

Invocation was led by Mike Trentham.

The Board's roll call was taken by the Secretary.

The April 2015 minutes were read by the Secretary and approved as read by the Board.

Mr. Stanley was not present so the general financial report was not given. The newsletter financial report was presented by Terry Lewis and approved as read by the Board.

Publicity
No report.

Activities
Will be covered later in the meeting

Newsletter
The 48th edition of the newsletter is out at this time.

Newsletter Distribution and Advertising
No report.

Roads and Trails
No report

Memberships
No Report

Old Business

- CORA mission statement: Mike reported that they were going to meet on May 14th. (Mike McAfee-Chairman, E.L. Morton and Glenn Massengill: committee.)

- HFTH Grant money: No update as of yet. Tommy was not present.

- The gold mine issue. **This did not pass in Nashville**.

The Wounded Warrior Hunt was on April 25th. The fish fry was on the 24th and it was a big hit. About 200 people were present at the Friday evening event and about 150 were present for the hunt on Saturday. Terry thanked everyone for coming and for volunteering at the event. Board members gave their views on this year's hunt and everyone agreed that it was a big success.

New Business

Terry shared information on numerous House and Senate Bills from Nashville.

Bills that Passed:

1. H-1079; Passed Hunting apprentice license from 1 to 3 years.
2. A bill to enact restitution for poaching was passed and there would be no license issued until the fee has been paid back.
3. HB-0068; Liability protection for landowners.
4. SB-0202; It would not be an offense in taking a black vulture
5. SB-0205; It would not be an offense to kill a wild animal on your property in self-defense

Bills HB-1041 and SB-1238 did not pass.

Terry made mention that the Publicity Chairman's position is an open slot and we are in need of someone to fill this. E.L. Mo ton volunteered to become the Publicity Chairman and Doug Swallow said he would like to help E.L. with this.

Mike T. made a motion to donate $500.00 to TEC for assistance with the Wounded Warrior hunt. (This was forgotten in April's meeting) Seconded by ? And unanimous vote was held.

There was a motion made to adjourn, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:
Mike Trentham
CORA Secretary

CORA Meeting Minutes of June 2nd, 2015

The Board meeting commenced at approximately 7:00 PM, at the Campbell County Court House in Jacksboro, TN.

The meeting was opened by CORA Chairman Mike McAfee.

Invocation was led by Mike Trentham.

The Board's roll call was taken by the Secretary.

The May 2015 minutes were read by the Secretary and approved as read by the Board.

The general financial report and newsletter account was given by Bill Stanley and approved as read by the Board.

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Publicity
It was reported that a television station was going to be in Campbell County to visit "Ride Royal Blue" and go to Hatfield Knob for Elk viewing.

Activities
No report

Newsletter
No report

Newsletter Distribution and Advertising
No report.

Roads and Trails
Not been out. Terry reported that he had been out on some of the roads and trails and it looked bad due to all the timber cutting.

Memberships
Membership dues are due next month. Already had some renewals and a life membership.

Old Business

- CORA mission statement: (Mike McAfee-Chairman, E.L. Morton and Glenn Massengill: committee.) The committee met and went over the existing Mission Statement for CORA. Board members were asked of ideas to improve the statement and other things that CORA could be doing in the community. Terry asked for a review of the M.S. since it is 28 years old. Terry also listed some of the accomplishments that CORA has had a hand in over the years.
- In 1986 Worldwide owned the Royal Blue area and they went under and the land was then open for purchase. CORA stepped up and paid $50,000.00 a year for five years until the State could purchase the property.
- The OHV program on WMA property was a first and CORA came up with the first Roads and Trails map for RB.
- Champion and Tackett Creek areas, (PHA) public hunting areas, 125 acres
- Elk restoration program with TWRA in 1999-2000

Sundquist acquisition – part of North Cumberland WMA

Terry handed out a copy of the Mission Statement and all in all, CORA still has a pretty good M.S. Board members were asked if they had any comments or suggestions on how to improve the M.S. and what CORA as a whole could do to improve.

- E.L.; CORA is a local agency that grew up from here in Campbell County and there are other agencies that are mimicking CORA.

- M. Trentham; Mentoring

- Bob Williams; The statement is excellent.

Danny Akins (TWRA); Danny gave an overall view of what had been said in the meeting about the Mission Statement and the future of CORA. He said that he agreed with 98% of what had been said and that we need to try to get the younger generation involved with CORA.

HFTH Grant money: No update as of yet. Tommy was not present.

Remember that on July 7th there will be the yearly election of CORA officers.

New Business

House Bill #HB-1104 (OHV matters): An OHV committee was created which consists of nine people. 3 are appointed by the governor, 3 are appointed by the Speaker of the House and 3 are appointed by the state senate. This committee will work with the OHV regulations, deal with private land owners, license dealers and work with the state and local wildlife officers.

We have a good trail system in Campbell County and there is an opportunity to connect trails across private property. We need some more trailheads to allow the riders access to stores and gas stations. CORA needs to look into this.

There was a motion made to adjourn, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:
Mike Trentham
CORA Secretary

CORA Meeting Minutes of July 7th, 2015

The Board meeting commenced at approximately 7:00 PM, at the Campbell County Court House in Jacksboro, TN.

The meeting was opened by CORA Chairman Mike McAfee.

Invocation was led by Mike Trentham.

The Board's roll call was taken by the Secretary.

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CORA Meeting Minutes Cont'd from Page 6

The June 2015 minutes were read by the Secretary and approved as read by the Board.

The general financial report and newsletter account was given by Bill Stanley and approved as read by the Board.

Publicity
E.L. reported that a television station from Dayton, Ohio did a twenty minute segment on Campbell County, "Ride Royal Blue" and Hatfield Knob. Campbell, Union and Anderson Counties helped with the effort.

Activities
Remember the October 10th annual CORA BBQ at Cove Lake.

Newsletter
No report

Newsletter Distribution and Advertising
No report.

Roads and Trails
No report

Memberships
Membership dues are due.

Old Business

- CORA mission statement: (Mike McAfee-Chairman, E.L. Morton and Glenn Massengill: committee.)

  Terry read the Mission Statement and a copy was handed out to the Board. There was a motion and second to adopt the clarification of the Mission Statement. Motion approved.

HFTH Grant money: No update as of yet.

New Business

Election of new Board members. E.L. Morton nominated Greg Leach and Coy Crutchfield as new Board members. There was a second and the motion was approved. The new Board members were asked to take their places on the Board.

- There was a motion and second to keep Terry Lewis as president. Motion passed.

- There was a motion and second to keep the rest of the Board members and offices as is by acclamation.

- There was an announcement about the RMEF annual banquet being held on July 25th at the Ball Event Center. Doors open at 5:00pm

- Terry mentioned that this year is the tenth anniversary of the Hatfield Knob viewing area. The area brings in approximately $800-$900,000 per year in County revenue from visitors coming to view the Elk. There are people that want to volunteer to help, give money, etc., but there is no mechanism in place to capture this. The RMEF Bugle Corp was given as an example. This is a volunteer group that tags elk, counts calves, mows and does other things in a volunteer capacity with the elk foundation. CORA needs a "non-profit" umbrella to collect money and a way to get volunteers signed up to help with things like these mentioned.

- We need to have a list prepared for the people that want to volunteer that lists all the things that they can sign up to help with.

- The TWF will be creating a web page section on their web site that will tell the history of the Hatfield Knob. It will also list the local motels and restaurants in the area for the visitors coming to visit Hatfield Knob.

- Joe Elkins (TWRA) suggested that there be a student section from the University of TN be added to the "Bugle Corps".

- Terry mentioned that he had been appointed to the State OHV committee by Gov. Haslam.

- Danny Akins (TWRA) made a few comments on the volunteers and the local timber cutting that is going on.

  It was mentioned that there will be an ATV ride in Lafollette on October 10th (this is the day of the CORA BBQ). Bill Stanley suggested that we possibly set up at the ride and sell BBQ as a fund raiser and try to get some new members. This will be discussed in more detail at next month's meeting.

  There was a motion made to adjourn, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:
Mike Trentham
CORA Secretary

CORA Meeting Minutes of August 4th, 2015

The Board meeting commenced at approximately 7:00 PM, at the Campbell County Court House in Jacksboro, TN.

The meeting was opened by CORA Chairman Mike McAfee.

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HUNTERS FOR THE HUNGRY From TWF Website

There a variety of ways to get involved with Hunters for the Hungry for hunters and non-hunters alike.

Deer donations

White-tailed deer hunters may donate either a whole field-dressed deer or a portion of their processed venison through their local HFTH-certified deer processor. (Processors may accept non-field-dressed deer, but reserve the right to charge an additional fee for that service.) Each processor is assigned a quota of deer annually that may be processed for free or at a discounted rate to the hunter. Check with your local processor for details. The packaged venison is subsequently provided to area food banks or pantries and distributed to Tennesseans in need. HFTH venison is often the main source of fresh protein available to food banks.

Monetary donations

HFTH operates entirely on a combination of grants and individual donations. The processing dollars available each year — and the amount of venison made available to Tennesseans in need — is directly related to these donations, so rest assured that your donation will have an impact. (A donation of $10, for example, will provide up to 30 meals.) To make a donation, click the "Donate" button on this page and select "Hunters for the Hungry" in the gift designation area of the donation form. Your transaction will be safe, secure, and tax-deductible.

Deer Coin

A HFTH Deer Coin is not only a great way to fight hunger, but it makes a terrific gift for any white-tailed deer hunter in Tennessee. When you make a donation of $50, we will send you a **deer coin** that can be presented to an HFTH-certified deer processor in the state for FREE processing for one donated deer. Get all the details below.

Volunteering

Just as HFTH needs funding to operate, it also needs "boots on the ground" in the form of volunteers. This is mainly about finding ways to raise awareness and let people know about the incredible impact this program has made in the past and will continue to make. Volunteer opportunities are only limited by our imagination! Examples might be speaking to church groups about the program; setting up a booth at a community "hunter's night out" event; helping to serve meals at your local soup kitchen; or distributing HFTH triangle vehicle decals to friends and family. Never hesitate to call us at 615-353-1133 or email manager Matt Simcox to discuss volunteer opportunities. We can help with hand-outs and decals, too!

Hunger Challenge

One of the newest and most exciting ways to get involved with HFTH is through our Hunger Challenge, a points-based competition for high school students across Tennessee. Go to our Hunger Challenge page for details!

Deer Coin

Our new Deer Coin is an exciting and easy way to support hunger relief while simplifying the process of donating a deer through the Hunters for the Hungry program. Each coin is equivalent to approximately 168 meals provided to our Tennessee neighbors in need! Here's how it works:

Make a tax-deductible gift of $50 to receive one Deer Coin. (Two Deer Coins = $100 donation and so on.) Use the form on this page.

Within 10 business days, you'll receive your Deer Coin in the mail.

After you harvest your deer, take it to ANY HFTH-certified processor and present your Deer Coin.

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Invocation was led by Mike Trentham.

The Board's roll call was taken by the Secretary.

The July 2015 minutes were read by the Secretary and approved as read by the Board.

The general financial report and newsletter account was given by Bill Stanley and approved as read by the Board.

Publicity
No Report

Activities
Will discuss later in the meeting.

Newsletter
Need articles

Newsletter Distribution and Advertising
No report.

Roads and Trails
No report

Memberships
No Report

Old Business

- RMEF Banquet: There were more in attendance this year and the banquet cleared over $11,000.00.
- HFTH: No report

  Tenth anniversary for Hatfield Knob: The TWF website is up and running with information about this. We need ideas on getting volunteers and getting them certified with the TWRA.

New Business

- Lafollette will be hosting an OHV ride on October 10th in the downtown area. Food vendors, music, fireworks and other items of interest will be going on that day. CORA will be helping in the registration of the riders involved. They are anticipating around 1000 people or better all total from local riders to out of state riders. This is going to be an annual event.
- A tent will be set up for CORA, RMEF and the NWTF to inform the public of what all we do and to hopefully get some new members.
- The CORA BBQ is on hold at present because of the conflict.

  After note: The CORA BBQ has been rescheduled for October 24th at the same location.

  There was a motion made to adjourn, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:
Mike Trentham
CORA Secretary

CORA Meeting Minutes of September 1st, 2015

The Board meeting commenced at approximately 7:00 PM, at the Campbell County Court House in Jacksboro, TN.

The meeting was opened by CORA Chairman Mike McAfee.

Invocation was led by Mike Trentham.

The Board's roll call was taken by the Secretary.

The August 2015 minutes were read by the Secretary and approved as read by the Board.

The general financial report and newsletter account was given by Bill Stanley and approved as read by the Board.

Publicity
E.L. talked about the upcoming OHV ride in LaFollette.

Activities

Discussed the upcoming OHV ride in Lafollette and the re-scheduled CORA BBQ. Reported on the Jake's Day that was held on August 24th at the Ball Event Center. There were 214 kids present and 150 volunteers. With parents and all, there were approximately 364 present.

Newsletter
Need articles

Newsletter Distribution and Advertising
No report.

Roads and Trails
No report

Memberships
No Report

Old Business

- HFTH: No report
- Tenth anniversary for Hatfield Knob: Terry talked about the article that Bob Hodges had in the Sunday newspaper about Hatfield Knob.

Bugle Corp: Try to get them to possibly take over maintenance, darting, counting, etc. This would be modeled after the Bugle Corp at LBL. There would be an application process for volunteers to become a volunteer with the TWRA.

New Business

- Lafollette will be hosting an OHV ride on October 10th in the

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downtown area. Food vendors, music, fireworks and other items of interest will be going on that day. CORA will be helping in the registration of the riders involved. They are anticipating around 1000 people or better all total from local riders to out of state riders. This is going to be an annual event.

- A tent will be set up for CORA, RMEF and the NWTF to inform the public of what all we do and to hopefully get some new members

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- After note: The CORA BBQ has been rescheduled for October 24th at the same location

- Terry went over the issue of "Boat Houses" on TVA lakes. At present the current TVA management has no action to be taken yet. There are a few proposals as to what to do about the Boat Houses, but nothing definite yet.

Rusty from TWRA discussed the OHV trails. There are more trails being added and they are shooting for 100 miles of more trails at Brimstone and New River.
There was a motion made to adjourn, meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:
Mike Trentham
CORA Secretary

CORA Meeting
Minutes of October 6th, 2015

The Board meeting commenced at approximately 7:00 PM, at the Campbell County Court House in Jacksboro, TN.

The meeting was opened by CORA Chairman Mike McAfee.

Invocation was led by Mike Trentham.

The Board's roll call was taken by the Secretary.

The August 2015 minutes were read by the Secretary and approved as read by the Board.

The general financial report and newsletter account was given by Bill Stanley and approved as read by the Board.

Publicity
Jimmy Jeffers – Lafollette City Administrator was present and talked about the upcoming ATV event the city was sponsoring. The event will begin at 10:30 A.M. on Saturday the 10th and will go through 10:00P.M. that evening. There will be guided ATV rides, food vendors, music and fireworks. Nick Thompson a local businessman said that there had already been 77 businesses that have help sponsor the event.

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Activities
The CORA BBQ will be held on October 24th at Cove Lake State Park at Shelter #5. Serving will begin at 12 noon. TWRA will try to be there to help with desserts from their Dutch Ovens.

Newsletter
Need articles

Newsletter Distribution and Advertising
No report.

Roads and Trails
No report

Memberships
No Report

Old Business

- HFTH: It was reported that Matt Simcox (TWF) from the State HFTH program said that we had served 32,878 meals in four years.
- CORA provided 18,000 meals in 2014.
- Glenn Massengill made a motion to put $1000.00 into the HFTH fund. Motion Passed. There also was a motion made to purchase another freezer for $150.00; motion passed.
- The CORA BBQ was discussed some more as to what was needed and who would be bringing different items.
- Terry talked about being on the Governors OHV Committee. There are nine people that have been appointed and Terry is one of them. They have been tasked to do; (A) Training for OHV owners, (B) Provide an inventory of trails and facilities in the State of Tennessee, (C) Perform a cost and feasibility study.

Coy Crutchfield gave a report on what he has been involved with in helping with the upcoming ATV ride in Lafollette. The Sheriff's Department, EMT's and other agencies will be involved with the event. CORA will be helping register riders at the event and will have tables set up for CORA, RMEF and NWTF.

New Business

Terry commented on "Tennessee Green". This is a non-profit group that is seeking to purchase lands for public use. (State Park type areas only) they are a competitor with what CORA's mission statement is.

There was a motion made to adjourn, meeting adjourned.

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