



November 2, 2020 Meeting Minutes
 Zoom Meeting

[Called to Order by: Roy Ulrich at 6:31 pm](#)

[Roll call](#)

MRAN Voting Members Present					
Bushwackers	2	Gamblers	2	SSTB	2
Camp Valley Cowboys	n/a	Groundshakers	2	Western Raceway	n/a
Coyotes	2	Jackrabbits	2	Wild Bunch	1
Darkside	2	SNDR	2		

[Approve Minutes](#) – October minutes approved by Joe Amey @ 6:33 pm, seconded by Dave Heath.

[Officer Reports](#)

- **President – Roy Ulrich:**
 - I have nothing.

- **Vice President – Joe Amey:**
 - Two Bits I have, Jarrod I am sure we will talk about it, I spoke with him and have been keeping abreast of situation with the Coyotes race.
 - Other thing, talked to Gary Brough, owner of Grassroots MX, they are in the process of buying Jason Shaw out of Mesquite MX. After I spoke to Jarrod and talked to Jason about the track situation, he said it's not mine, but the person running the races is Gary Brough, and I spoke to him. He runs RMX Motorcross, and 86 Racing. They don't have a lot of GPs and wants to get involved and use some of the property they have. I told him his best bet is a Desert GP, rather than a regular GP. I told him up to him he could join a club. Once Coyotes panned out and got their spot, now we can talk to this guy about what might happen in the year to come. He is excited about GP style series, and is talking 800-1,200 riders per weekend, 2-day events. I don't know that I want to put my hands on an 800-people event. If he wants to do a joint GP deal, clubs that want to do a GP or Desert GP, that would be super cool. He said the old desert model is broken, but you also can't supply what I can, 40-100 mile course, that is difficult. MRAN serves a niche of long desert races that are single track, that are not MX style stuff. We should stick within our niche. We use Mototally, they use it, we have a certain set of marking, he does too. I hope we can serve our people and stick with it. If anyone wants his number to look at a GP or Desert GP, I can send it to you.



- **Treasurer – Michael Collins:**
 - Paid up, last month we owed Groundshakers and Bushwackers. Got the Bushwackers check off in the mail. Dave with the Groundshakers and I we met up. Gamblers are paid up for \$350 that Gary Prater said he did not receive.
 - We paid our last payment for our four installments to Jones Birdsong Insurance, paid off Mototally for the last two races. Insurance wise we are going to get a letter from their company that they are not going to cover COVID in 2021, so our rates could go up. The owners, Jones Birdsong, spoke one-on-one to let us know that it is a letter just to inform us. MRAN has a good rapport with them. After tonight, Gamblers will need insurance already, and we will send them our 2021 schedule to get a quote, and we will make the 4 installments. Rates are going up, could go up a couple bucks, 1-day race, 2-day race is ½ of the first day...SSTB and the BW night race. For the barrel racing we had to pay for insurance, it was safer to say a 2nd day event, because they were racing. That's it on the money thing.
 - After this meeting we will call Sam's Town, as a teacher, it doesn't look like Clark County is going back to school and so that's going to affect the way things go. Athletics, etc. for our kids. Our races are important, we're lucky, these kids get to stay sane and have something to shoot for, mom and dad might hold their grades over their head, but they will keep their grades up.
 - Dave Heath did you hear anything back on your race and the endangered area.
 - Dave: I talked to Lisa [BLM] this week, I didn't hear anything.
 - M. Collins – The archaeologist, didn't write us up for the 2 motorcycle tires. I've been talking with her and Cameron Boyce, she's on our side. Like Dave said he calls and talks to her. This archaeologist wants to go to cost recovery, minimum charge is a 40-hour work week after our races, and you go into what Dave calls Indian burial grounds. Lisa was great, she put the archaeologist to the side and wouldn't allow it to happen. Lisa is on our side and trying to do the best for us. That's all I got, me being the treasurer, doing insurance and talking about Lisa and our races.
- **Desert Referee – Jarrod Wheeler:**
 - Don't have much, want to really thank Joe Amey and Coach [M. Collins] and the Bunkerville guys for all the help. They've done a lot helping to get our stuff together. Really appreciate everyone's help.
 - As far as referee side, don't have anything.
- **Asst. Referee – Greg Ashley:**
 - Same as Jarrod, nothing's happened.



- **Public Relations – Gary Smith (not present):**
 - R. Ulrich on behalf of Gary – Dave did get the Local to donate \$500 again, so we need to build them a flag.

- **Legislative Officer – Steve Paxton (not present):**
 - R. Ulrich on behalf of Steve – They are trying to keep the Mesa from happening out there where they want to put up a bunch of solar panels in riding area.
 - M. Collins - onX Offroad, I am trying to work a deal with them to try and be a sponsor. I think if the sweeps could tell Dave, from Motorsports Medical, exactly where they are at, it would help. Parents could track their kids, the Boyce boys take their phone when they go, but not tracking like this. It tells you right then and there who owns the land that you are on. For a club if you had that when you are out riding, so you could see who owns the land. Like BLM has for the Ely district, they have all approved course on this file, you can tell, no way there was a trail there, I think they just drew them in in the old days. So, I am trying to work a deal with this company to get their apps for us, one for Dave for Motorsports Medical to get in. Like perfect example, Jackrabbits, you know how they give the weird names, it helps you remember parts of the course, for Dave and them to get there it doesn't help them. For those that don't know, its onX Hunt and onX Offroad which tracks where you are going, etc. The hunt tells you if there are guzzlers close by, you can mark things while you are riding.
 - Blake Monk – I attended the meeting about the mesa. It's where SNDR had their race in Logandale, they are going to put their solar plant there, and we would race right through the middle of it. I said we have a running permit up there, as part of our 5-year permits. Others brought up stuff, Double Negative, he has a log book and how much traffic is going through there. What they want to do, this group, Save the Mesa, which is local people here, they want the county to work with them to turn it into the OHV area. If we can do that we can keep them from putting solar plants up there. In the meeting the other day, so many people attended there were people standing out in the street, that's how packed it was.

- **Scoring – Tori Collins (not present):**
 - M. Collins on behalf of Tori – Four new memberships bought this week. These 4 people, do you want to offer them the year, because they did just pay for the membership? I did the numbers in our google doc that we share.
 - J. Wheeler – Yeah that works for me.
 - G. Ashley – We were going to offer it to them anyway.
 - Scoring will be at Coyotes



Meeting coordinator, R. Ulrich experienced technical difficulties, floor was opened while this was resolved.

- G. Ashley – Question to ask, has there ever been an opportunity for secretary to ask if they have anything to talk about...just a question?
 - J. Amey – Not sure what you mean?
 - M. Collins – The Officer reports, had anything in the past month, we skip over that portion.
 - M. Collins – Blake are you locked in on your race date?
 - B. Monk – Yep, put us down for the 13th of November in Laughlin.
- J. Amey – Secretary, do you have anything to report?
- K. Ashley – Still willing to help the organization in my current capacity, even though we are relocating.
- Website – Patricia Swolensky:
 - On the proposed rules, do I add those to the rule book?
 - K. Ashley – No, those are updated by secretary after they are approved at the end of the year. Only emergency rules would be added in the middle of the year, and those will be updated by me and sent to you as well.
 - Also, Coach [M. Collins] sent an email if anyone had the sponsorship letter. I never sent because it's personal to Gary. Do you still need it?
 - M. Collins – Ashley sent it to me, I was just sharing it with onX maps, I just used it. I haven't had one in a while. It's been taken care of.
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Special Reports

- 2021 Race Dates
 - January 16 – Banquet
 - January 23 – Gamblers @ Crater Flats
 - February 13 – Jackrabbits @ Ute
 - April 3 – Groundshakers @ Caliente
 - April 24 – Wildbunch @ Delamar
 - May 15 – SNDR @ Nelson
 - June (night race) possibly - Bushwackers
 - July 31 – Coyotes @ Ely
 - September 11 – SSTB @ Panaca



- September 25 – Bushwackers @ Pioche (day race)- (Updated from last meeting)
- November 13 – Darkside @ Laughlin
- MRAN north/south race does not have a date yet
- J. Amey – We have no night races picked, but tentatively we have offers from Wildbunch, Gamblers, and Bushwackers
 - July 16 (Kids)/July 17 (Big Bikes) – BW @ Searchlight
 - June 12 – WB @ 95N or Jean (TBD)
 - M. Collins – Putting Jean on insurance for now and then we can change it.
 - D. Vasquez – Should have an answer by mid-December.
 - June 26 – Gamblers @ Pabco
 - M. Collins – To turn in insurance in the morning, I will put Jean and then the insurance lady can switch it.
 - J. Amey – We are doing Pabco.
 - D. Vasquez – Can it be a day into night, 6 hour endure, they would race longer, but start during the day light and still end at 1. So, we would start at like 7 or 6:30 pm.
 - J. Amey – By the rulebook you don't have to start at night. The parameter for a night race, is its 4 hours or 9 laps, as a competition committee we would have to agree with the extension of time with longer laps, or a gap to allow for lighting, you could get into some really wicked issues, we are not the people that can man that, you have to come to us and say this is how we want to do it.
 - D. Vasquez – Do it with one bike that's just pit logistics right there
 - J. Amey – I kind of agree with it, you need parameters and all the details then bring it to the competition committee. Permit first then logistics.
 - ? - I think you will have a harder time with BLM,
 - J. Amey – We are one shy of night race to have a series.
 - J. Wheeler – We have meeting and will bring it up and I will let everyone know. We really wanted to have one in 2020. We would have to look at scheduling too, with it being July 31, and August we go into hunting season, it may have to be a May deal.
 - J. Amey – The last Saturday in May would be to weeks before the next race, take a look at that, having them spread it out. My thought about night races was, if we all did our day race however we normally do it, and if the clubs doubled up and if Gamblers and Jackrabbits did a race, and Wildbunch and Bushwackers did one together, so it will make it still



be four to five-night races, and two to three clubs to help it out. We are going to do desert and night races and give a niche, if we double up on clubs for night races, it makes it a whole lot easier to do. If a few of you are out there, like maybe Darkside and do a fourth night race, let's do it. I think a 4-race series in night races is so much fun.

- M. Collins – A jump off that, Scott Weisheim is probably one of the best sweeps, when we moved away and started SSTB, and we would call him we would just ask him. No one says you have to split money, ask more of our MRAN family to help. We are so glad that people come and help.

- **Officer Nominations**
 - President – Joe Amey
 - Vice President – Kody Livreri
 - Secretary – Retain, no new nominations
 - Treasurer – Retain, no new nominations
 - Desert Referee – Retain, no new nominations
 - Assistant Referee – Retain, no new nominations
 - Public Relations – Retain, will receive assistance from Patricia and Ashley Ross
 - Legislative Officer – Retain, no new nominations
 - Scoring – Retain, no new nominations, Tori will be present until she leaves us
 - J. Amey – Will you be our interim? Is that how that works?
 - Website Administrator – Retain, no new nominations
 - J. Amey – Officers are set for new year, so next month, we will be in the positions we have now. Some of you young guys that are here and around for you to be an officer sliding in. I don't feel I am the best choice, so I will stick around for whatever we need. But if there is a better nomination, I am here to stay, I love MRAN.
 - M. Collins – The way the clubs adjusted this year and we had a full race schedule, look at some of these other organizations, they didn't last. The last Hare & Hound you had to sign up online and could not pay at the race, there was no exchanging money, that's their new COVID rules coming done. Everyone adjusted, the Groundshakers, and Dave Heath to get a race on, SNDR did an awesome job. Dustin going out on a limb and making a night race was epic.

- Coyotes Pre-Race report –



- J. Wheeler – As you have seen, the flyer is circulating around, I haven't checked to see if it made the website yet, but it's out there, it's being circulated. A bunch of people are sharing it. It is in Bunkerville on the 14th, there's a map on the flyer. I have yet to be there, I will be this weekend checking it out. It is already being marked, so another thanks to the Bunkerville guys. We are doing a five-race format.
 - Race 1: 7 am for 65cc Nov, 50cc Am/Exp (1/2 mi. to ¾ mi) 45 minutes.
 - Race 2: 8 am, 50cc Nov (1/2-3/4 mi.) 45 minute.
 - Race 3: 9 am – 85cc Nov/Ama, 65 cc Ama/Ex, Jr Wmn – 1 hour, 14-mile loop
 - Race 4: 11 am – Women, Big Bike Nov, 85cc Exp – 3 laps, 14-mile loop
 - We are gonna run them for 3 laps, tentatively, based on time may have to reduce it to 2, we will see how long it takes to do lap1 and 2, but plan on 3.
 - Race 5: 1:00 pm – AA, Exp/Ama Big Bikes – 4 laps, 14-mile loop
 - Race 3, 4, and 5 are the same course.
- Watched videos of this course run in good weather and dirt and it looks pretty gnarly.
- Sportsman of the Year Nominations –
 - Correction - SNDR previously nominated Ashley Ross, not SSTB, amendment to October's meeting minutes.
 - Gamblers would like to nominate Garrett Darr for all of the work he put in, he came up on a downed rider, he put his race aside to get him out and got him down the hill and contacted through radio and got him down, the he got back on his bike and finished the race. He is the epitome of a desert rider.
 - M. Collins – As MRAN Treasurer, I think Roy hit it first, I would like to nominate Dustin Tanguay and the Bushwackers for taking the chance to get the first race going and back into MRAN. Then as the scoring intern, scoring would like to nominate Dave Heath for moving months away from his original race date and working continuously with BLM to make sure we had a race, SSTB, Bushwackers were already set, Coyotes worked hard, Dave Heath worked from April to September and did it on a 3 day weekend, they worked hard and got it done. Went to a place that wasn't even their area, I think Dustin and Dave Heath and their clubs.
 - B. Monk – I want to nominate someone who is always helping people out, he has parts and works on bikes and he became a medic because we didn't have an ambulance one time, Aaron Boyce, he helps a lot of people out.
- Unfinished Business
 - Rule Change – Groundshakers – Class Addition (*Item 1a*)
 - K. Livreri – Something I wasn't clear on is how are we determining who gets in that class?



- M. Collins – We cannot turn it down after talking to legal, Erek Kudla sent out this thing today, an A is an A, a B is a B, and a C is a C, you can't race another series as something else. AA is the premier pro class, someone can't come and race just one race, once they go up they can't go back down, and if you race AMA and show up and race Expert, they are aware. Just like they contact us if your membership expired. If it's proposed, we can't turn it down we have to because of equal rights, whatever the stipulation is for regular AA, it needs to be AA for women.
- ? – Do we change it and call it a money class, so racers don't have an issue?
- M. Collins – AA is what they call it when pro licenses aren't required, I can look at it for next meeting and have Erek there.
- R. Ulrich – So you're saying per Erek you can't turn the class down?
- M. Collins – Per Legal, if someone proposes Woman Pro we have nothing to stand on, we need to do it, but those 5 or 6 that raced the nationals are gonna come to us.
- ? – Our AA rule says if you are in top 5 you have to go up.
- M. Collins – Greg do you have the rule book there?
- G. Ashley – You are eligible to go up, it doesn't force them.
- J. Wheeler – How can we based on what coach said, with the AMA, how can we force someone to pay the extra \$40 entry fee?
- R. Ulrich – It's like a money class, that is how I see it.
- J. Amey – So two points, one is we can't call them pros, we can't say that because we are non-profit, we have to say it's AA. Ashley brought up that the Pros that race for AMA in Nationals, can't take a step back, the only one we can get them to race is if we offer an AA class, then they can have the option to race with us. As long as we have the rule set. Start with AA men, write the rule the same, they would start first row, AA, red plate with W, do they need a new letter? Like we gave F to our AA guys, or do we just say red plate. When they hand score, it would group them together, then W will group them the other way, maybe we could group them with numbers?
- R. Ulrich – We could give them P like we used for 45+.
- G. Ashley – I personally would put them as F.
- J. Amey – Ashley do you have any additions, this is your rule?
- A. Ross – No.
- K. Ashley – Would that create an issue with scoring, since you will have to create a new class, you wouldn't want the same letter as the other women because someone would have to hand score and write "red" W.
- M. Collins – No, we would just create Women – AA.
- J. Amey – We need the rule since we have to do it, so we won't be voting on it.



- R. Ulrich – Everything applies, same as the current AA class. Ashley send it in an email, send it to Kat.
- K. Ashley – How does this work if there is only one AA Woman entered into a race, how does the payout work?
- M. Collins – Same, the MRAN Fee, BLM Fee, and any other fee that you have is subtracted, if you have cost for ambulance, etc, if it's only one woman, they get paid out for what is left.
- G. Ashley – What if there is only one and she overalls the entire thing?
- M. Collins – You're only racing your class, she only gets paid for what's in her class, if she wants to run AA F class she can do that. Great question though.
- SSTB – Rule change for drop a race resubmitted (*Refer to October's Minutes*)
 - I have two rule changes, this is resubmitted and the vintage class as well.
 - Every person I submitted, all had great ideas, in our points system, it doesn't work, unless you say you can drop a race except one race, like the Ely one. If they do it in Bunkerville again, usually the low turn outs are toward the end of the year. My thing is always trying to keep people around, every one that talks, and what about this.
 - R. Ulrich – The one thing that makes sense they have to pay for the race still even if they don't have to attend.
 - M. Collins – I've only said it, because people ask.
 - R. Ulrich – The only way to be fair to the clubs, in order to drop that race you have to pay for it and if you don't pay for it, you can't drop it.
 - M. Collins – I don't want to change what I ask, if a club does not like it, then I will pull it. If one club says no, I want to drop it and pull it, because really it's Chris DiPonte's club being last at the end of year, next year will be Darkside, and Jarrod's always been against it, the Ely guys. I talked to him quite a bit about this, if someone says we are totally against it, I won't rewrite it and resubmit for vote. They would have to pay online to prove they paid.
 - J. Amey – Gamblers don't want to drop a race, we are close to Vegas and have generally high numbers. But because it's a full series and we want to get everybody to every race, it also puts a lot of stress and strain to decipher and whose doing what, we felt it made too much gray area. We can throw it out as a vote, but we are against it.
 - R. Ulrich – I am on the fence, I know Gamblers don't like it, I've seen a lot of guys quit, because they can't make it to the whole series, if he breaks one race, he doesn't race the entire year, if you had that rule in place.
 - Joe – I think Cowboy DNF'd one or two races this year, sometimes resilience is what needs to happen, if someone could throw away a race they may not push through, but he is going to race it, because he knows his championship relies on it. You could go



- either way with it, I think it's what others do. I will vote against it, but I will still allow a vote.
- K. Livreri – Thought about it, at its simplest you can do all the races and drop one. I think the one I like more, you have to pay for it, and everyone has a mandatory one drop race. I think a mandatory drop one, there's still faults in it. I think if you pay for it, it affects the clubs the least, smaller turnout, but at least you are getting payments for it.
 - R. Ulrich – do you want to vote on it or pull it?
 - M. Collins – Jarrod? What is your thoughts?
 - J. Wheeler – I am on the fence, I am starting to lean towards it now, if it is a you have to pay for it to drop it deal, I'm good. One of our club members didn't race the rest of the season because he missed one race, no matter what I said, he was second AA for a while and his bike blew up and was out, and so he didn't finish the season.
 - M. Collins – Do you want to table it? After the next meeting, which is after the next race I can see if that affects anyone, I can look at the results to play around with it or do we need to vote right away?
 - J. Wheeler – I say let's do that.
 - R. Ulrich – I would rather look at it from every avenue, I say table it, let's look at it next month.
 - J. Amey – I think it's desert, resilience, it's what wins championships. If someone says I'm only doing 1 lap, then that's on them.
 - G. Ashley – Agreed.
 - J. Amey – I would say you only get to drop one race if you finished it.
 - SSTB – Vintage Class *(Item 2a)*
 - M. Collins – You can't put someone like Bill O'Hara, racing his 1960 bike against someone racing a '80s or '90s bike.
 - J. Wheeler – Why not he'd probably win?
 - M. Collins – I have two divisions I came up with, we could say for first year don't trophy by clubs, please forward it out to everyone for their thoughts.
 - Classic – Open to full frame motorcycles before 1982 no disc brakes, not water cooled, distinguished by H, one class, novice, and start after last line.
 - Revolution – Open to full frame motorcycles after 1982, before 1995, disc brakes, water cooled, distinguished by R, one class, novice, and start after the last line. All vintage starts on same line.
 - M. Collins – Tried my best combine, maybe in future it progresses to Ama/Exp



- R. Ulrich – To be voted on at next meeting after discussed with the clubs. I will email it out to everyone.

- Open Discussions

- A. Ross – It was brought to my attention how will the overall for the Women’s class work, since they will have the same letter. Since expert women and AA is running W’s. Group decided on the letter B.
 - J. Amey – Okay, so it will be Women’s AA, distinguished by the letter B, red plate, same parameters as AA class.
- B. Monk – Scott Weisheim brought up last year about raising our entry fees, he wants to know if we can, it was supposed to be discussed again. He’s saying if we don’t do something this year, with the way the economy is going, we will be in a bind next year.
 - R. Ulrich – I think with how the economy is now, if you raise it, it will put people out of it, we are a family series. Raising it for one person isn’t bad, but when you are bringing 4 kids out and you are racing, then it will be detrimental to families.
 - B. Monk – Everything is going up, they raised our BLM fees.
 - M. Collins – What do you pay in Clark County
 - B. Monk – \$6/person
 - M. Collins – They did that 5 or 6 years ago.
 - B. Monk – We have port-a-john rentals too.
 - D. Martin – Lincoln County will be raising their fee from \$25 to \$150.
 - R. Ulrich – I tried raising it, but I think it’s a rough year.
 - M. Collins – I don’t think we should affect kids.
 - J. Amey – Our biggest cost, I would rather cut it back on trophies, rather than raise the cost of the race.
 - M. Collins – Like pins, they are expensive, we can be creative, we as clubs should put down our costs for [shirts, trophies, pins] and share it at the next meeting. Bushwackers, in just talking with D. Tanguay, they count that night race as making money, there was no racing, and still had a race, they are the reason the other clubs jumped on. We lose money in the night race as MRAN, but the whole idea is that it’s supposed to be fun.
 - K. Livreri – Bump minis from \$35 to \$40, and cut back on trophies and Big Bikes going up \$5.
 - J. Amey – This is just discussion, if he [Scott] wants to bring a rule change, we have had open discussion, he can bring it in as a rule change. Go back and talk about it, and we need to vote on it.
 - M. Collins – I will have a paper at scoring and you can see what Hare and Hound, WORCS, Big 6, District 37 and even back east organizations that are putting on races, what they are doing, so you can see what we pay and everyone else pays. We are the best bang for the buck.



- R. Ulrich – Anybody else have anything?
 - G. Ashley – Last meeting you had a comment about MX Trophies, that has been bought out by a friend of ours, Josh Thomaselli. He is an avid racer himself, and I suggest you give him another try, and he is definitely doing it, and doing a great job.
 - M. Collins – Share with me his contact info, make sure we talk if he shows up at a race. I never shared that with anybody except Roy about our concerns.
 - K. Ashley – He actually has raced the MRAN series before as well, he is really involved.
 - G. Ashley – Just want to make sure you consider him, that was the former owners, he just bought out the Company in the last few months.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Dave Heath @ 8:25 pm, seconded by Kody Livreri.

Next MRAN meeting will be held on Monday December 7, 2020, 6:30 pm via Zoom Meeting. Subject to change.



Proposed New Rule/Class:

Women's AA Premier Class

Purpose Of New Rule:

To grow the women's class's by offering a Premier class. A class the younger generation can to work towards, verses getting to Expert then leaving the series to chase PRO somewhere else. To have an equivalent class to other series, where pro girls can feel like they can come race and possibly not get in trouble with the AMA.

Class Classifications:

To enter class, you must be a top Expert or Pro level rider. Class would run red plates with W lettering. Class would start on AA start line.

Affected Section in Rule Book:

Article 5, Section 3

Submitted By:

Ashley Ross



Rule Book Change Request Form

Proposed by: Michael "Coach" Collins

Proposed New Rule:

Add a vintage motorcycle class(es) to MRAN Racing

Purpose of New Rule:

To better the sport and get more participation

Affected Sections of Rule Book:

ADD AFTER SPORTSMAN DIVISION IN THE RULEBOOK

ARTICLE 5: SECTION 3. Divisions Specifications

Classic: **Open to any Full Framed motorcycle** manufactured before 1982. No disc brakes and no water-cooled engines, will be designated by the letter "H" following their number. There will be one class in this division: Novice. Start after the last line.

Revolution: **Open to any Full Framed motorcycle** manufactured after 1982 and before 1995. Disc brakes allowed and water-cooled engines, will be designated by the letter "R" following their number. There will be one class in this division: Novice. Start after the last line.

Proposed changes must include the section of the rulebook to which they pertain, and the affect it will have on other rules relative to such change if approved.