Pierce County ATV Association Minutes Gaylen & Sue Langer's Garage, Beldenville WI October 18, 2021

Members Present: Mark Kinneman, Barb & Everett Muhlhausen, Tina Huppert, Larry & Sharolyn Johnson, Darren Place, Roger & Delores Fritz, Yvonne Blodgett, Hank & Marge Lazare, Paul & Leah Frandsen, Gaylen & Sue Langer, Gary Huppert, Brian Stein, Randy Bayer, David Deiss, Mark Blodgett, Pat Gutting, Caleb Beebe, Ron Gutting, Jeannette Gutting, Denise Hager, John & Mary O'Neil, John & Jean Marko, Diane Johnson, Steve & Theresa Hood, Chuck Freier, Craig Dressel, Donnie Sabby, Guest Scott Jones

The monthly meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Larry Johnson.

Secretary's Report was read by Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen. Motion to approve the Secretary's Report by Tina Huppert, second by Gaylen Langer. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was given by Tina Huppert. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Sharolyn Johnson, second by Sue Langer. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Someone is damaging roads and traveling too fast on gravel roads in the Town of Gilman. President Johnson will go out and put up 3 signs.

October 21st is the county meeting for new ATV route requests and Sheldon Huppert will attend the meeting.

Tina Huppert explained and passed around samples of the new clothing and colors that can be ordered again from Designs by Jill. Members decided on the items and color of the logo. Barb will send out an email to members when the website is ready.

New Business:

President Johnson asked if anyone was interested in being ATV/UTV Route Patrols for the towns. Discussion took place.

If the club can hold it's membership we would have approximately \$4,000 in revenue next year. Discussion took place regarding the need for any more fundraisers to sign additional routes obtained.

President Johnson will talk to association tax preparer regarding advantages or disadvantages of obtaining a Non Profit Status 501C.

Town of Trenton needs residents to request roads routes be opened.

Thank you to Gaylen & Sue Langer for hosting the meeting this month.

Member Comments:

Hours of ATV/UTV travel are confusing and times vary by towns. Only the Town Chairman can issue a ticket for riding beyond hours set in towns. Wisconsin State Law states you can ride 24 hours. Need to work on consistency among towns this winter.

If your machine has a seat belt you must wear it or face a fine of \$160, if under 18 the fine is \$175.

Discussion took place regarding the Village of Ellsworth streets being open to ATV/UTV traffic and Jack O'Neil will continue to work with the village. Mark Kinneman will attend the next meeting with Jack O'Neil.

Scott Jones asked the association if they would like to do security for the Truck and Tractor Pull at the Pierce County Fair next year. The pay will be \$425. Motion by Donnie Sabby, second by Tina Huppert, to table the decision until the next meeting. Motion passed.

All agreed the Fair Booth was successful and we have a good location.

Streets to travel to restaurants in Prescott and River Falls are not open at this time. Residents of these municipalities must request that the streets be opened for ATV/UTV travel for fuel and food.

Tina Huppert read all the routes that have been requested from the county this fall.

An easement must be obtained from the property owner prior to requesting County J be opened for ATV/UTV travel to the intersection of County J and State Hwy 65.

Sheldon Huppert is working on route from Hager Heights to cross Hwy 63.

Petition to open all roads in Pierce County has 823 signatures to date.

The next meeting will be held at Clyde's Corner on November 15th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Ron Gutting, second by Donnie Sabby, to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by, Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen Secretary