

Pierce County ATV Association Minutes  
Ellsworth Country Club, Ellsworth  
August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

Members Present: Scott & Tina Ryden, Scott & Joanne Gulbranson, Randy Bayer, Brian Stein, Phil & Kim Deiss, Steve & Judy Sampson, Tina Huppert, Roger & Delores Fritz, Hank & Marge Lazarz, Craig & Brenda Dressel, Jeff & Jane Hamlin, Cheri Stein, Dave & Kris Deiss, Greg & Marcy Reid, Dwight & Leslie Smith, Yvonne Blodgett, Gary Huppert, Jay Oricchio, John Marko, Joanne Ottman, Mike Johnson, Greg DesLauriers, Mark Kinneman, Butch Kinneman, Gaylen Langer, Lisa & Richard Brown, Kevin & Diane Johnson, Mary & Jack O'Neil, Sheldon Huppert, Larry & Sharolyn Johnson, Barb & Everett Muhlhausen, Darren Place, Paul & Leah Frandsen, Pierce County Recreation Officer Jeremy Brookshaw

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

Secretary's Report was distributed & emailed by Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen. Motion to approve the Secretary's Report by Dwight Smith, second by Greg Reid. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was given by Tina Huppert. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Dwight Smith, second by Joanne Ottman. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Follow-up on Fair Booth – Sheldon Huppert and Darren Place set up the booth Wednesday evening and took it down on Sunday evening. Sheldon set up and closed up each day. We had four new memberships and sold 110 maps and there was a lot of interest in the large map with routes. Thank you to all who volunteered to help.

Follow-up on Security at the Truck & Tractor Pull – Sheldon Huppert reported the event didn't start until 8 p.m. because the track was wet and it finally finished up around 3 am. Jack O'Neil suggested the Association stop doing the security.

Follow-up on Fair Parade – Jack & Mary O'Neil reported there were 17 machines and they won second place for the most participation.

Project Kid Ride – Jack O'Neil reported they will need 20 to 30 machines and those that can carry 4-6 people. Will advertise on party line, Facebook and through schools. The event will be on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 p.m., 1962 EE, Bay City, WI. Recreation Officer Jeremy Brookshaw said children 18 and under must wear a helmet that is DOT approved. Members should bring any DOT helmets for kids to wear on the ride to the next meeting, with your names inside if you want them back. There will be a one mile ride for families with hot dogs and refreshments served. The event is sponsored by the Pierce County ATV/UTV Association, Sabes Loft and the Gas-Lite Bar. A handicap porta potty will also be secured and more details will be available at the next meeting but a lot of help will be needed.

Update on Railroad Bed in Spring Valley - Sheldon Huppert reported Chad Johnson has been busy but will get estimate to us and he is working with Scott Schoepp.

New Business:

Pierce County ATV/UTV Stickers – Janel Ray was not present.

Member Comments:

Dwight Smith mentioned there are two intersections where signs should be removed: 570<sup>th</sup> and Cty QQ and 420<sup>th</sup> and Cty O. Discussion took place and Recreation Officer Jeremy Brookshaw said the board should control removal of signs. Approval was given for Dwight to remove the signs and bring them to the next meeting and documentation will be made where they came from.

Sheldon Huppert said Sheriff Nancy Hove requested 30 Pierce County ATV/UTV maps for her officers as they are confused as to what routes are open. Decision was made to donate them.

Sheldon Huppert explained the procedure to open more road routes and Gary Huppert and Mark Kinneman will work together with Sheldon.

Phil Deiss pointed out we need to add our website to the next map.

Gary Huppert had contact with Jay Oricchio from the Gas-Lite and would work on a club ride, open to the public with a 50/50 drawing. Discussion took place. Motion by Mark Kinneman, second by Hank Lazarz, to go ahead and let Gary and Jay set up a ride. Motion passed.

Recreation Officer Jeremy Brookshaw reported there have been more incidents and accidents this year than the last 8 years and follows a trend with the state.

Mark Kinneman has had several people asking about hours of operation on road routes. Times vary by town, but WI State Statute is 24/7. The Association needs to start working with the Towns Association and go with the WI State Statute for hours of ATV/UTV operation for uniformity.

Mark Kinneman reminded members of the “Alex Ride” benefit on August 27<sup>th</sup> for Mike Arndt from the Nauti Hawg whose daughter Alex passed away. The ride will start from Sabes Loft with registration at 9:00 am and the ride leaves at 10:00 am. They will make several stops and return to Sabes Loft for a pork dinner, and drawings. Fee will be \$20 per person for anyone interested.

The next meeting will be held at Gas-Lite, Ellsworth on September 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Hank Lazarz, seconded by Richard Brown, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 p.m.  
Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen  
Secretary PCAA