

PCAA JUNE MEETING
Monday, JUNE 16th, 2008
MIKE'S BAY TOWN
BAY CITY

Meeting called to order by President Eric Markwardt at 7:10 p.m.

Members Present:

Eric Markwardt, Scott Jones, Terri Klawiter, Tony Brantner, Todd Johnson, Dave Swenson, Gerald Johnson, Larry Johnson, Dick Wall, Jerry Punches, Allan and Teresa O'Connell, Darren Place, and Ron Anderson.

Secretary's Report:

Copies of the May meeting minutes were distributed to all. Motion to approve by Dave Swenson, second by Scott Jones. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Tony Brantner provided copies of the May budget, income and expenses. Motion by Dick Wall to approve, second by Dave Swenson. Motion carried.

Old Business:

- Discussion about getting maps printed and/or put on the web site. Eric Markwardt will put an updated map on the web site. Decided to wait on having a map printed until we know what's going to happen with the routes on the county roads.
- Discussion and review of the townships that have approved and are open, or will be opening soon, once the townships ordinance is published. Martell township is in the process of being signed with Dave Swenson leading the effort there.
- Tony Brantner worked with writers from the Pierce County Herald to get articles talking about the progress of the PCAA published. 4 articles have been published to date.
- Scott Jones updated everyone on the Cheese Curd Festival truck and ATV pulls. Volunteers are still needed for both events.
- Darren Place updated everyone on the Cheese Curd Festival Parade. Those wanting to ride in the parade should meet by the bus garage around 12:30pm.
- Dave Swenson gave an updated on fund raising activities. \$800-900 worth of apparel has been ordered from Designs By Jill and it'll be ready for the club to sell at the booth we'll have at the Cheese Curd Festival.

New Business:

- The Pierce County Herald held a poll to see how many people are for or against ATVs on township roads. The votes were split approximately 50% for and 50% against.
- Eric Markwardt and Todd Johnson talked to the Hartland Town Board at their June meeting about having them adopt an ATV Route Ordinance. They're planning on holding a public hearing at their next monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 8th at 7:00pm at the Hartland Town Hall in Esdaile. PCAA representatives will need to be present. Tony Brantner was asked to put a notice of the hearing in the Shopper.
- Discussion about ATV routes on county roads took place. Several short sections of routes on county roads are needed to connect the routes on township roads. Larry Johnson, Ron Anderson, and Darren Place will be talking with the County Board about having them adopt an ordinance permitting this.
- Jerry Panches is coordinating a club ride on July 5th in the Blue Hills SE of Birchwood, WI. Meet at Ed's Pit Stop on Hwy 48 in Birchwood and be ready to ride at 9:00am.
- On July 19th there will be another club ride and we'll be heading to Chippewa County and stopping at Nancy's Hobby Resort. Meet at the Cenex station in East Ellsworth at 8:00a.m.
- PCAA members that haven't paid their renewals for 2008 will be dropped from the membership list at the end of June. Renewal reminders have been sent out with the last 3 newsletters.
- The Bylaws state that the annual meeting election will be held on the first Thursday of August. Since it was felt that this is too restrictive a motion to rewrite this section of the Bylaws was made by Terri Klawiter and seconded by Jerry Panches. Eric Markwardt will draft a proposed revision of the Bylaws and present it at the next meeting. The general idea will be to hold the elections at the August monthly meeting and then have a separate family fun and land owner appreciation day in September or October.
- Tony Brantner has been talking to the Gas-Lite about holding the family fun/landowner appreciate day there. It is tentatively schedule for Saturday, October 11th. Alternate locations are the fairgrounds or the T-Bar.
- Eric Markwardt provided an update on the possible need for the club to have a liability insurance policy. Eric contacted Randy Harden, President of WATVA and owner of an insurance company which writes OHV policies for his thoughts on the matter. Randy's thoughts included:
 - Proper incorporation as a non-profit org protects the officers and members
 - Personal umbrella policy will protect those that don't feel this is sufficient
 - Club stands to lose tangible (money in the club's bank account, signs, etc.) and intangible (club's name and reputation) assets
 - Club liability policy may make sense if events (poker runs, mud runs, races) are being hosted
 - Sample 1 year policy for 4 events and a \$1M liability umbrella policy is \$1000

With this information in mind the members present didn't feel it was currently necessary to pursue getting a liability policy.

- A motion to participate in the El Paso parade on August 17th was made by Dave Swenson and second by Tony Brantner. Motion carried. Those riding in the parade should meet at by the Old Log Cabin bar between 12:00 and 1:00pm.
- Due to a family medial issue Kathy Gutting has requested a leave of absence from the Secretary position. The Bylaws do not currently have a provision for a leave of absence or a temporary appointment to a position so the Executive Committee will draft a letter to Kathy asking her to resign so that a replacement can be nominated and elected. This will be done with the understand that Kathy will be nominated for reelection to the position when her time permits and the position is next up for election.

Meeting adjourned by Eric Markwardt at 8:27 p.m.