## Pierce County ATV/UTV Meeting Minutes Ellsworth Country Club September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 6:00 P.M.

Members Present: Diane & Kevin Johnson, John & Jean Marko, Tina Huppert, Everett & Barb Muhlhausen, Roger & Delores Fritz, Brandon and Marna Carleton, Vonnie Blodgett, Daryl Fay, Dan Hager, Brian Stein, Mark Denzer, Steve & Judy Sampson, Randy Bayer, Sheldon Huppert, Brad and Leann Gutting, Joanie Churchill, Mark Books, Nancy Greske, Scott & Hollie Forsman, Gary Huppert, Phil & Kim Deiss, Butch Kinneman, Lisa Brown, Paul & Leah Frandsen, Mary & Jack O'Neil, Pierce County Recreation Officer Jeremy Brookshaw

The monthly meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. by President Jack O'Neil.

Secretary's Report was read by Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen. Motion to approve the Secretary's Report by Dan Hager, seconded by Daryl Fay. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was given by Tina Huppert. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Yvonne Blodgett, seconded by Mary O'Neil. Motion passed.

## Old Business:

An update was given by Sheldon Huppert on the visit to the Town of Clifton board meeting regarding issues with WI State Statute 23.33 which are now resolved. At the Town of Clifton October meeting the ordinance should be signed, so then all 17 towns will be completed. The next step is to get Pierce County to adopt WI State Statute 23.33, but Sheldon has tried to contact Corporation Counsel Brad Lawrence several times with no success, but he will continue trying.

President Jack O'Neil reported the Ride for Kids on September 17<sup>th</sup> had a low turnout. Jay Oricchio provided the food, Donny Sabby provided pop and juice, and Oneil 5 Star provided the water. There was an anonymous donation of \$120 to the association.

Mark Kinneman was not in attendance so information regarding the purchase of larger stickers will be tabled until next month.

## New Business:

Brochures received in the mail were passed around regarding campgrounds that are ATV/UTV friendly. President Jack O'Neil passed around a Buffalo County map that was a good example for Pierce County to pattern after.

The ATV/UTV Baseball Association fundraiser ride from Clyde's Corner Bar had 42 machines and the El Paso ATV/UTV ride had about 30 machines.

President O'Neil asked if anyone was interested in being a WATVA (Wisconsin ATV Association) Ambassador. Contact Jack if you are interested.

## **Member Comments:**

Pierce County Recreation Officer Jeremy Brookshaw reported there have been several accidents, crashes, rollovers, and one death the past 1 ½ months. Jeremy also reported his audit was accepted for state reimbursement but waiting to hear the state reimbursement rate.

Barb Muhlhausen mentioned business sponsor renewals will be sent out at the beginning of December. Ads for businesses will be sold when a new map is printed.

Sheldon Huppert commented WATVA is a good organization and a benefit, and the association should continue to pay the registration and members agreed.

Sheldon also has been distributing the current Pierce County ATV/UTV maps to use them up as we will be printing a new map next year.

The next meeting will be at Sabe's Loft in Bay City, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. There will be food to purchase if you want to come early.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Gary Huppert, seconded by Daryl Faye at 6:30 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by, Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen Acting Secretary