

Pierce County ATV Association Minutes
Sneakers Pub & Eatery, Spring Valley, WI
August 21, 2017

Members Present: Tina Huppert, Jerry Johnson, Barb & Everett Muhlhausen, Sheldon Huppert, Larry and Sharolyn Johnson, Chuck and Carol Gregg, Ken Majeski, Kurt, Cindy and Kyle Sundquist, Ruth and Jeff Esanbock, Recreational Officer Jeremy Brookshaw.

The 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 Sharolyn Johnson. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was given by Tina Huppert. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Chuck Gregg, second by Everett Muhlhausen. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Pierce County ATV Association worked security at the Pierce County Fair and it went well.

President Larry Johnson reported ATV and Snowmobile funds will be used if money from Federal Government will have to be returned (our federal gas tax money) on the Stower Seven State Trail, from Amery to Dresser. Lost law suit because ATV use was not listed.

Sheldon Huppert reported he has not met yet with Neil Gulbranson and Jeff Holst about Trenton access route. Sheldon reported he will mow again on the Chad Westfield trail. Thank you Sheldon!

New Business:

President Larry Johnson mentioned we give out the landowner gift certificates in the fall. Motion by Tina Huppert, second by Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen, to give \$25 gift certificates to the 5 landowners: Tom Bartlett – Bendilly's; Chad Westfield – The Valley, and Jim & Mary Schaffner, Mary Ann & Bob Richardson, and Elsie, Jay & Wendy Arneson to Sneakers Pub & Eatery. Motion passed.

Jay Richardson cleared out some of the trail on the Richardson property, and Jeff and Ruth Esanbock and Larry and Sharolyn Johnson also helped. Thank you everyone! Motion by Tina Huppert, second by Chuck Gregg, to pay \$50 to Jay Richardson for cleaning out the trail. Motion passed.

Darren Place was not in attendance, but had contacted President Johnson about members working at the FFA Tractor Pull.

Ruth Esanbock asked about becoming a non-profit organization. Discussion took place. Motion by Tina Huppert, second by Everett Muhlhausen, to check into becoming a non-profit organization. Motion passed.

WATVA road routes plan to use step-by-step process to gain more routes. Proposed legislation would use current municipality 1,000 feet bridge authority to apply to state highway.

WATVA asked legislature to work on signage; townships would have signs that say "ATV Route - All Town Roads Open." Routes thru townships would have a small ATV Preferred Route Sign. President Larry Johnson passed around an example of the sign.

President Larry Johnson had some St. Croix County ATV/UTV maps at \$1 each for member's to purchase.

Member Comments:

Jeremy Brookshaw, Pierce County Recreation Officer, reported El Paso had some complaints but good overall.

Sheldon Huppert asked about a club ride on Labor Day Weekend.

Announcement of the Sandbar ATV/UTV ride August 26th meeting at 11:00 a.m. and leaving to ride at noon for those interested.

Everett Muhlhausen asked about trail work on the Richardson Property. Discussion took place. Chuck Gregg will follow up with Mark Mattison for no charge. After logging, putting in berms across the trail for runoff would be beneficial.

Tina Huppert said thank you to Scott Jones for letting us do security at the Pierce County Fair for the Truck and Tractor Pull.

The next meeting will be Monday, September 18th, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at Bendilly's Bar and Grill, Ellsworth. Motion by Sharolyn Johnson, second by Jerry Johnson, to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. Motion passed. Members are encouraged to ride your ATV/UTV to the next club meeting.

Respectfully submitted by,
Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen
Secretary