

Pierce County ATV Association Minutes
Clyde's Corner, Beldenville
November 15, 2021

Members Present: Roger & Delores Fritz, Yvonne Blodgett, Hank & Marge Lazarz, Caleb Beebe, Jeanette & Ron Gutting, David Deiss, Randy Bayer, Gary Huppert, Brian Kemmerer, Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen, Tina M Huppert, Larry & Sharolyn Johnson, Darren Place, Sheldon Huppert, Scott Gulbranson, John Marko, Paul & Leah Frandsen, Dwight & Leslie Smith, Greg & Marcy Reid, Mary & Jack O'Neil, Ky Kaminski, Steve Brown, Mark Books, Brad Gutting

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 Dwight Smith, seconded by Sharolyn Johnson. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report was given by Tina Huppert. Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report by Sharolyn Johnson, seconded by Darren Place. Motion passed.

Old Business:

Sheldon Huppert attended the October 21st Highway Department meeting and reported he had requested 10 routes and all were approved. The request will move on to the Traffic Safety Committee on December 8th which Sheldon will be attending. Sheldon read the road routes he requested and what areas we can now access. Thank you to Sheldon!

Sheldon was asked about the petition being circulated to open all Pierce County roads and with 42,000 residents in Pierce County we would need at least 10,000 signatures which we will not get. Highway Commissioner Chad Johnson will not open any roads with a vehicle count over 700 per day. The petition will be dropped. The club will continue to pursue opening new road routes as in the past.

Diamond Bluff – Mark Kinneman reported the Town of Diamond Bluff wants to open roads and the two year probation has been completed. An ordinance will need to be taken to their next meeting to be completed.

Rock Elm – President Johnson attended the monthly meeting and they want to continue with their current ordinance which is different than most other town ordinances as they close travel December 1st to April 1st. The Town also requested the newer road signs.

Oak Grove – everything going smoothly.

Village of Ellsworth – Jack O'Neil talked to village member Dale Hines and they were working with scheduling and budgets so will call Jack O'Neil and address opening streets at a later meeting. A total of 7 signs will be needed which the club will pay for and the village will put up the signs.

New Business:

Jack O'Neil proposed next summer arranging an event where special needs children could come to his property and members would give rides and have lunch. Insurance will need to be investigated and Jack will do some checking.

President Johnson asked about Wisconsin Trail Patrol Ambassadors. Mark Kinneman suggested all members take action if they see something wrong and members were encouraged to take down the registration and license number.

President Johnson reported on the procedure to apply for a Tax Exempt 501C status. Attorney Loberg referred him to Rod Wicklund who would charge \$250 and the IRS charges \$275, which is a one time fee. Motion by Caleb Beebe, seconded by Gary Huppert, to apply for the Tax Exempt status. Motion passed.

Motion by Mark Kinneman, seconded by Mary O'Neil, for the club to buy everyone a drink at meetings. Motion passed.

Member Comments:

Yvonne Blodgett reported on the UTV rides some members are doing once a week. It was suggested that future rides could be posted on the club Facebook page with details for others to participate.

The next meeting will be held at the Valley Bar & Grill, Ellsworth on January 17, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Ron Gutting, seconded by Hank Lazarz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted by,
Barb Fritz-Muhlhausen
Secretary