Pierce County ATV Association - Meeting minutes for March 8, 2007

Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm at the Bighorn Bar in Beldenville, WI

Members Present: Lots. Not sure if a signup sheet was passed around or not.

Secretary's Report: M/S Kim Greske/Ken Books to accept as printed, Motion Carried

Treasurer's Report: M/S Scott Jones/Ron Anderson to accept as printed, Motion Carried

Old Business:

DNR ATV Safety Instructor / Trail Patrol Ambassador class on March 24th

Dave Voght reviewed the training class and passed around the signup sheet for everyone to verify their contact information or add their names if they're interested in attending.

Trail Committee Progress Update - Darren Place, Committee Chairman

Darren reviewed the progress he's been having in discussions with landowners about potential trails from Ellsworth to Beldenville and from Beldenville to the Gas-Lite Bar in Trimbelle Township. In both cases, a small number of landowners have expressed concerns about off-trail damage to crops, excessive speed, and excessive noise. Negotiating with landowners for a trial period easement (6 months?) was suggested as a possible workaround.

Greg Andrews was identified as a potential person who could act as an estimator of crop damage should the Club decide to offer to reimburse landowners in the event of damage.

The Trimbelle Township board has contacted Darren and asked if the PCAA was ready to give a progress update at their next monthly meeting on April 10th. Darren will be following up with them to provide an update.

NOTE: The Trail Committee needs additional members! Darren can't possibly cover the entire county by himself so additional persons are needed to help share the load in talking with local Township boards, landowners, etc. Contact Darren directly if you're interested in helping.

New Business:

Next Club Ride

Eric Markwardt asked for suggestions on where/when the next Club ride should be held. No consensus was reached so hopefully discussions with continue on the new website discussion forum.

PCAA participation in the Clark County "Spring Cleaning" event

Eric Markwardt brought up the "Spring Cleaning" event tentatively happening in Clark County on April 28th. Clark County is looking for county forest users who might be interested in helping out with trash cleanup along

the trails. This could be a good PR event for the PCAA. Contact Eric Markwardt (715-262-3286 or webmaster@piercecountyatv.org) directly if you're interested in helping out.

Spring Valley ATV Pull

Tony Brantner reviewed information about the ATV pull tentatively being put on in Spring Valley on April 21st by Sneaker's Bar. Discussions will continue as this event still doesn't appear to be 100% committed.

PCAA Monthly Meeting time change

Henry Marson discussed changing the start time of the monthly meeting from 6:30pm to 7:00pm so that it's easier for some people to get to the meeting on time. Changing the start time will require a change to the PCAA Bylaws so this topic will be discussed and voted on at the April monthly meeting.

Memory Weekend Group Ride

Jerry Punches is putting together a group ride in Iron River, WI, over Memorial Day weekend. Contact Jerry (715-273-6329 or jpunches@localnet.com) directly if you're interested in participating.

Next Meeting: 6:30 pm on April 5th at Mike's Baytown Bar/Grill in Bay City, WI

Adjourn: M/S Scott Jones/Tony Brantner to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Motion Carried