

TRAILS NORTH ATV CLUB

JANUARY 13, 2010 MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Rod Abbas, Sue Strohecker, Larry Miller, Wally Olson, Jeanne Hultman, Jim & Cricket Crain, Jim & Julie Bender, Scott Williams, Paul Villwock, Eric Olson, Diana Evenstad, John Hoadley, Tom Sanderson.

The meeting was called to order by President, Rod Abbas, at 7:00 PM at The Battle Axe Saloon.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Tom Sanderson moved the minutes be approved as read by Diana Evenstad, 2nd Wally Olson. The motion was carried unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Rod Abbas provided records from November 1, 2009 through January of 2010. W-2's will be provided for workers and any monies paid out over \$600.00 to any contractor will require a 1099 to be sent. We have received a letter from the IRS indicating that they do not recognize our Club as being a non-profit organization, however, the State of Wisconsin does recognize the Club as non-profit. Rod Abbas went to see our accountant to discuss this situation and also to have our taxes done. The Treasurer's report will be filed for audit and filed as read.

TRAIL REPORT: Scott Williams reported on the Bailey Lake reroute. The property owners near the reroute are not happy with where the trail goes. The trail is rerouted ½ mile off the road. Scott Williams and Rod Abbas will discuss the situation with the property owners. Diana Evenstad asked Scott Williams if the property owners were notified. He stated that he sent them letters.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: A letter was received from WATVA indicating that the annual dues of \$80.00 are due. Paul Villwock moved to renew the membership with WATVA, 2nd Wally Olson. Motion was carried unanimously. Our corporate status must be updated with the State of Wisconsin. Paul Villwock stated that he sent \$10.00 for June. We must update our status now. An ATV instructor course will be held in Minong. If you are interested, please contact Rod Abbas before Jan 30th. It is a one day course.

OLD BUSINESS: February will be the last month to make any suggestions for changes to the By-laws. Voting to ratify the new by-laws will take place at the April meeting. All members wishing to vote on the new by-laws must be members in good standing. This will require the payment of your 2010-2011 dues. Membership forms will be sent out with the copies of the minutes. Some of the recent changes presented by Jeanne Hultman, deal with the starting time of our meetings and also the rules regarding changes to the website. The current by-laws and the proposed changes will be available on our website in February. Please contact Jeanne Hultman or Randy Lehto if you would like to suggest any other changes by the February meeting.

A discussion followed regarding the place to store the tractor. Cal Davies was contacted regarding storing the tractor at the Fairgrounds. The fee is \$6.00 per foot. This would be \$120.00 per year. Paul Villwock brought a catalog with temporary buildings. The average price is \$3,500.00. It is being stored at Scott Williams' home at this time. Eric Olson suggested that the Club contact Jeff & Sue Miller regarding space available in their pole building, across the road from Deep Lake Lodge. Eric Olson will take care of talking to Jeff & Sue Miller.

The ATV Map advertising committee decisions were discussed. Scott Williams stated Peggy Johnson was to have followed up on this. Scott said she did not proceed. Rod Abbas told Scott that this must be sent in ASAP.

Rod Abbas discussed the GPS purchase for the Iron River Ambulance. Rod spoke to Gary Victorsen since discussions were not moving in an expeditious manner. The unit suggested is manufactured by Garmin and costs between \$400.00 and \$500.00. Tom Sanderson moved the Club spend up to \$500.00 to purchase the GPS that will work the best for the Ambulance Service, 2nd Eric Olson. The motion was carried unanimously. Eric Olson suggested that a unit should be purchased and placed in the Club tractor.

Rod Abbas told Club members that the Executive Board approved a \$50.00 donation to the Iron River Food Shelf in memory of Jackie LaBelle.

NEW BUSINESS: Sue Strohecker suggested that the destination of the Club rides can be changed the day of the ride if the riders agree to do so. All rides leave at 10:30AM.

2010 Agendas were provided for member's perusal. However, some items are not on the Agenda, i.e. Fish Boil Testicle Festival, Minutes will be going out with changes.

Rod Abbas brought up the two Club CD's at the Security State Bank. One comes due in May or June and one in October in the amounts of \$5708.00 and \$5715.00. We are receiving .55% and .49% interest on these CD's. At this time we have a balance owed on the tractor of over \$48,000.00 and we are paying 10.9% interest. Rod suggested we put the CDs towards the principle owed on the tractor. A discussion followed regarding using the CD's to pay down the tractor. We have discussed the mowing of the Tri County Corridor with the corridor officials. We would need a mower attachment to accomplish this. It was suggested that we try to refinance the tractor at a lower rate of interest. Rod Abbas will discuss our options with our accountant.

Diana Evenstad has been our interim secretary but is not available for all of the Club rides. We need someone who can keep track of who is participating in all of the rides and functions to keep a record of the names for our drawings. Paul Villwock volunteered for this job. Also, Diana and Paul will get together so that a record of the minutes for the last year can be compiled.

A discussion followed regarding sweatshirts. The cost would be determined by how many and when they were ordered. The logo is copyrighted by Peggy Johnson, so if we want the same logo as the T shirts, we would have to get them from Peggy. Members wishing to order sweatshirts can contact Sue Strohecker. But none will be ordered until enough people have made a commitment to buy a sweatshirt. Sue said the deadline for ordering sweatshirts is the March 10th meeting. Eric Olson suggested that we get a PayPal account and put the sweatshirts up for sale on the website.

Diana Evenstad asked the Club to donate door prizes for the Snowmobile Club 50150 Fundraiser. Tom Sanderson moved that the Club donate 2 T-shirts, 2nd Eric Olson. Motion was carried unanimously.

Tom Sanderson moved the meeting be adjourned, 2nd Wally Olson. The motion was carried unanimously.