

# **Trails North ATV Club**

## **March 10, 2010 Meeting Minutes**

**Members Present:** Rod Abbas, Sue Strohecker, Diana Evenstad, Scott Williams, Jeanne Hultman, Jackie Hagstrom, Mark & Nancy Myhre, Clint & Diana Evenstad, Larry & Joan Miller, Lori Jenkins, Wally Olson, John Hoadley, Jim & Cricket Crain, John & Steve Galligan, Jim Nemeč, Frank Brost, Govy and Ronda Simonson, Paul Vilwocł, Randy Lehto, Robert Ruguski, Judy Schuman and Tom Sanderson.

**Secretary's Report:** Jim Crain moved the minutes be approved as read, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jim Nemeč. The motion was carried unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Rod Abbas read the Treasurer's report. The report will be filed for audit.

**Trail Boss's Report:** Scott Williams reported the trails will be closed on Monday, March 15, 2010 and will not reopen until May 1<sup>st</sup>. The corridor will remain open.

**President's Report:** Because the meeting agenda is so full, President Rod Abbas waived his report for this meeting.

**Old Business:** The special meeting of February 24, 2010 was discussed by Rod Abbas. At that meeting 5 members voted to refinance the current tractor and 8 members voted on three difference options to purchase either a John Deere Tractor w/ loader or a New Holland Tractor w/loader or just a New Holland tractor w/o a loader. Rod asked that the February vote be nullified and a revote be taken tonight. Handouts were passed out to members at the meeting tonight explaining the need for a new 100 hp tractor. Tonight members were asked to vote again to either purchase a new tractor or refinance the current tractor at a lower interest rate. Jim Crain indicated that all members must be current on their dues in order to vote tonight. A vote was taken and the majority of the club voted to look at various options and revote tonight.

The By-law changes will be postponed until the April and May meetings. There is nothing in our by-laws to keep us from making these changes in April or May.

Scott Williams discussed that the rides should not be changed the day of the ride. After a discussion it was decided that if the destination is changed, we will leave a message with Paul or Wally at Parts City.

Rod Abbas explained the situation with the current tractor. We need a 100 hp tractor to maintain the funding level we currently have. Proposals were presented to the members. A question and answer discussion followed the presentation. Ballots were passed out, Scott Williams, Jeanne Hultman and Diana Evenstad counted the ballots. The vote was as follows:

1. Refinance the current tractor -4 votes
2. Purchase a new tractor-22 votes

Bids were received from Northland Lawn Sport and Equipment for a John Deere 7130 tractor and also from Lulich Implement for a New Holland T6050 tractor. The second ballot vote was to vote for either the John Deere or the New Holland. Both of these proposals included payments for physical damage coverage on the tractor. The vote was as follows:

1. New Holland Tractor w/new loader-purchase-14 votes
2. John Deere Tractor w/new loader – municipal lease – 11 votes.

**3. Abstention -1 vote**

After it was decided to purchase the New Holland tractor, ballots were passed out to decide whether or not we should keep the old loader or if we should buy a new loader for the new tractor. Jackie Hagstrom, representing Lulich Implement, told the club that Peter Lulich said Lulich Implement would extend the warranty on the old loader for one additional year. If a new loader is purchased, it will only have a warranty for one year. The vote was as follows:

1. Purchase the tractor and keep the old loader. - 17 votes
2. Purchase the tractor and also purchase a new loader. - 7 votes
3. Abstention – 1 vote

The club will purchase a new New Holland tractor and keep the old loader.

**New Business: 2010 WATVA convention will be held on April 16-18 in Wausau. It was moved by Jim Nemeck that the club would pay for a maximum of 3 rooms so 6 members could attend and that the club would pay for mileage for two vehicles. 2<sup>nd</sup> Nancy Myhre. Motion was carried unanimously.**

Scott Williams asked Club members to give permission to sell the Belarus Tractor donated to the club by Johnny Hood. It requires too many repairs and would not be worth fixing. We have an offer of \$1500 for scrap. Scott spoke to Johnny Hood and he indicated that the club should sell the tractor. Nancy Myhre moved we sell the tractor and offer ½ of the money to John Hood. 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry Miller. Motion was carried unanimously.

The membership to the Iron River chamber of commerce is now due. We can join the chamber and not pay for the window box. A discussion followed. Paul Villwock moved we renew our membership to the Iron River Chamber of Commerce. 2<sup>nd</sup> Nancy Myhre. Motion was carried unanimously.

Rod Abbas read a letter from the Adaptive Sportsmen Inc. They have a ride for physically disabled riders on June 3-6 at Mercer WI. Boogie moved the club donate t-shirts and \$200 to this ride. 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry Miller. Motion was carried unanimously.

Judy Schumann suggested that the club purchase a sound system so that we can hear the president and other members speak at our meetings. A committee was formed. Committee members are Scott Williams, Lori Jenkins and Judy Schuman. They will report at the next meeting.

Please try to attend next month's meeting. It will be held at the Kro-Bar on April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. Larry Miller moved the meeting be adjourned, 2<sup>nd</sup> Mark Myhre. Motion was carried unanimously.