Evergreen P.A.C. ATV Meeting - October 3, 2019 @ Gampers in Moose Lake

In attendance: Gary Allison, Roger and Yvonne Bernhardt, Gale and Jeff Bradford, Toni Dalbec, Stephen Diehl, Jim and Maureen Gassert, Greg Jones, Bob Knauff, David Lehtola, Dawn and Phil Lippo, Barb Perron, Ed Raisanen, Al and Carmen Rinta, Eric Senarighi and Kris Miller, Darlene and Franklin Turnock, Kevin Turnock, Daniel Williams, and Debbie Yotter

President Gassert called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Phil Lippo moved to approve the minutes as read. Stephen Diehl seconded the motion and it carried.

Kevin Turnock moved to accept the treasurers report with a balance of \$35,348.54. Carmen Rinta seconded the motion and it carried. This balance includes raffle money. There will be a final raffle report at the November meeting.

We did the helmet drawing with Memphis Magdzas 11 years old of Cloquet and Jeremy Halverson 14 years old of Mahtowa winning the helmets. We thank Rita Tegland for sponsoring the drawing in honor of Dean Tegland and Nick Stone. It was a big hit at the Carlton County Fair. The helmets will be available at Moose Lake Implement.

We did the raffle drawing with Lynne Leger of Watertown winning the \$500.00, Mickey Bane of Forest Lake winning the \$250.00, and Jim MacDonald of Nickerson winning the \$150.00.

The February Alliance meeting will be at Malmo.

Jim Gassert reported the Soo Pits are in poor condition because of the abundance of rain last week. Carlton County will get at trails after they catch up on their roads. The trail west of Automba also needs work and the beaver are back. Jerry Stone noted the roads out of Moose Lake are also poor. The Brown Road had gravel put on it, but then the rain has made it soggy.

Bob Knauff reported on the Ride and Rally. He noted there were about 300 people, it was muddy, the roads are mostly forestry roads, the auction was good, the meal was good, the doughboy was retired and replaced with a plaque, and the bridge that was dedicated is awesome. The Ride and Rally will be at Ely next year.

Gary Allison has the simulator and is working on hooking it up to a laptop to be hooked up to a television. Right now, the program is distorted on a television. He would like to be able to start it from the computer rather than having the person with the goggles trying to start it.

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Eric Senarighi noted the fella with beams doesn't have any available at this time. Franklin Turnock has an opportunity for a trailer frame. He and Gary Allison will check it out. Bob Knauff will check with the state on a 10" "I" beam. We only need 36 feet and it doesn't have to be heavy duty as it will only be for 4 wheelers and side by sides.

Eric Senarighi noted the Carlton County Riders raffle included an ATV. They had 500 tickets at \$20.00 each. The final numbers aren't in yet.

Jim Gassert mentioned going together with Carlton County Riders next year and maybe raffling a side by side? Both clubs have time to think about it.

The Emergency Services ATV Betterment Grant was discussed. Carlton County Riders will be giving their grant to Mahtowa this year with a package of \$1,000.00 to help with their ATV equipment.

It was decided Evergreen P.A.C. would like to work on our own for a grant as we cover different areas. Jim Gassert will check with Willow River, Sturgeon Lake, and Kerrick on what their needs are. Gary Allison will check with Kettle River. We need to know if Cromwell has any needs also. The money can't come out of the grant.

The Holiday Get Together was discussed. January dates open are the 11th and 18th in Tamarack. Darlene will check with Bob Merritt, Corey Eken (sponsor), and Minnette on catering. More decisions will be made later.

Franklin Turnock moved we give our 2020 business sponsors signs "Ride Right...Ride Sober". We purchased fifteen signs and Aitkin County Alliance will give us five more. Bob Knauff seconded the motion and it carried.

Gary Allison would like to have us promote "Ride Right...Ride Sober" with key chains, note pads, or something to hand out. It should also be promoted on our website.

Carlton County Riders has a ride October 5th starting at Big Lake and going west of Cloquet to the County Corner. They also have a "Click it for Kyle" day on October 12th with a social hour, free lunch and two rides planned. They gave out 32 helmets at their "Lids for Kids" event. They had grants to help cover the cost.

Franklin Turnock moved to adjourn the meeting. Dawn Lippo seconded the motion and it carried.

The November meeting will be on the 7th at 7:00 PM at Jackson's Hole in Lawler.

Darlene Turnock, Secretary