

Evergreen P.A.C. ATV Club Meeting October 5, 2017 @ Gampers in Moose Lake

In attendance: Jim and Linda Ackland, Gary and Luann Allison, Roger and Yvonne Bernhardt, Stephen Diehl, Jim and Maureen Gassert, Cecilia and Greg Jones, Jerry Juutilainen and Barbara Perron, Dawn and Phil Lippo, Ed Raisanen, Al and Carmen Rinta, Eric Senarighi, Jerry Stone, Darlene and Franklin Turnock, Kevin Turnock, and Daniel Williams

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Gassert. The minutes of the September 7th meeting were read and a motion to approve was made by Jim Ackland and seconded by Ed Raisanen. Motion carried.

The treasurers report was read by treasurer Turnock with a balance of \$25,619.55 including \$448.24 in the raffle account. Cecilia Jones moved to accept the report as read. Carmen Rinta seconded the motion and it carried. It was noted gift cards were purchased for Gary and Luann Allison for some of their time and mileage for the Fall ATVAM Ride and Rally. Franklin Turnock moved to approve the expenditure. Cecilia Jones seconded the motion and it carried.

The final report was given on the Fall ATVAM Ride and Rally. The handicap ride was a success. Riders were appreciative and looking forward to next year. Franklin Turnock moved to give the credit card chip reader to White Pine Riders if they would like it. Gary Allison seconded the motion and it carried. Thank You's should be sent to Denham Run for the lunch and to South Metro for their help on the trail rides. Secretary Turnock reported she has two black helmets from the ride and rally if anyone knows who they belong to.

Franklin Turnock reported on the hearings to open Aitkin County Roads to ATV riding. They are proposing opening only the dirt roads for now. There will be a final hearing at the Aitkin County Commissioners meeting later.

Eric Senarighi noted there is a hearing on October 9th to discuss allowing ATV's on Birch Lake Township roads into Fond Du Lac Forest.

The Soo Pits and Soo Line are in good condition. Jim reported there were two tables and three benches picked up in Cromwell. Gary Allison will check on a good place to put them. A suggestion was at the Lawler unloading area.

Gale Bradford will check if Jeff would like to leave the props at Jim Gasserts or have them back to store.

We drew for the raffle: Don Niemi of Aitkin got the Honda generator (ticket bought at Carlton County Fair), Rhonda Kraus of Elk River the shotgun (ticket bought at Jackson's Hole in Lawler), and Mike Lee of Duluth the Henry rifle (ticket bought at Carlton County Fair).

Maps can be printed online but some people like to have the big map in front of them. The Minnesota State ATV Atlas is very nice.

The Christmas Party plans will be made in November.

Projects for the coming years:

Opening roads: The Brown Road - Automba Township is in favor of opening the road, but the land is low. We have light poles available from Cromwell and a supply from MP&L. It would give access to tax payers and tie into Aitkin County Loops.

Top of the Soo Pits: logging needs to be done first

Representative Lueck presented a bonding bill to open a trail by Mille Lacs Lake including the Isle, Malmo, and Glen area.

White Pine Riders will host next year's Ride and Rally. It is scheduled for September 21, 2018.

Yvonne Bernhardt asked what the mission statement is for the club. It's good to have new people asking these questions to update us all on our purpose.

Youth training was discussed. There will have to be separate props for the youth 6 to 10 years old. The machines will have to be smaller and maybe have two-wheel drive. Logs will have to be smaller. More information will be coming at the DNR trainings. We like the locations of Long Lake Conservation Center and Tamarack Sno Fliers Building. Jerry Stone and Jim Gassert will talk to Moose Lake Soo Depot about cost using their great facilities.

The next meeting will be at Tamarack Sno Fliers Building November 2, 2017 at 7:00PM. It was decided to have a pot luck at 6:00 PM prior to the meeting.

Franklin Turnock moved to adjourn the meeting. Jim Ackland seconded the motion and it carried.

Darlene Turnock Secretary/Treasurer