

Evergreen P.A.C. ATV Club Meeting - March 7, 2019 @ Jackson's Hole

In attendance: Roger and Yvonne Bernhardt, Gale and Jeff Bradford, Stephen Diehl, Jim and Maureen Gassert, Jerry Juutilainen and Barbara Perron, Dawn and Phil Lippo, Ed Raisanen, Al and Carmen Rinta, K C Montana and Scott Sarazin, Jerry Stone, Jim Tourville and Carol Allen, Darlene and Franklin Turnock, Kevin Turnock, Daniel Williams, Debbie and Roger Yotter
Guests: Dan, Ava, Garrett, Hazel and Mason Guida

President Gassert called the meeting to order at 6:55. He turned the floor over to Aitkin County Sheriff Dan Guida to share his view on ATV riding on Aitkin County Roads. Class 2's can ride on all county roads, but class 1's are only allowed on county dirt roads or designated county roads. To keep it simple, he would like to see all Aitkin County Roads open to ATV riding, but class 1's "Keep it in the dirt". That means the edge where possible or ditch. His reasoning is "safety first". He would like to see more gravel pits and acreage available and industry developed for ATV usage. Jim Tourville moved to support Sheriff Guida's proposal. Steve Diehl seconded the motion and it carried. Franklin Turnock suggested a letter of support be sent to Ross Wagner Aitkin County Economic Development, Jessica Seibert Aitkin County Administrator, and to Aitkin County Commissioners.

Carol Allen moved to keep the grading of trails with Kangas Enterprises, Inc. Roger Yotter seconded the motion and it passed.

Franklin Turnock reported on the Aitkin County Alliance Meeting. Tidholm was approved for making 7,500 new Aitkin County Trail Maps. He will get the advertising for the project. The Mille Lacs East Connector to County Road 26 will be in three phases: 1st to connect to the Mille Lacs Lake, 2nd connect Hwy 47 to Glen and Wealthwood, 3rd trail through the woods. There should be an open house the middle of April to add the 60 miles. May 18th there will be a ride at McQuaids in Isle. Area 3 meeting will be April 27th in Ironton. There will be a simulator available for \$500.00 to be purchased for 2.5 minutes of reality riding if clubs wish to purchase it for events. The next meeting will be May 23, 2019 at the Fireside in McGregor.

The Brown Road Project in Automba was clarified. We spent \$5,500.00 to complete it up to Aitkin County.

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A raffle was discussed. Jerry Stone moved to have a raffle. Jim Tourville seconded the motion and it carried. Franklin Turnock moved to have money as prizes again this year: \$500.00 first prize, \$250.00 second prize, \$150.00 third prize. Dawn Lippo seconded the motion and it carried. The ticket donation will be two dollars and the drawing will be at the October Meeting at Gampers.

It was decided to have a booth at the Carlton County Fair in August. It is good exposure for the club and a great place to sell raffle tickets.

ATV Youth Training schedule is set up: Moose Lake Depot April 20, 2019, Tamarack Sno-Flyers Building May 4, 2019, and Long Lake Conservation Center May 18, 2019. Jeff Bradford moved to give each participant in the class \$10.00 for the certificate from Minnesota after completing the course instead of six helmet certificates. Carol Allen seconded the motion and it carried.

April 4, 2019 will be the next meeting at Gampers in Moose Lake.

Yvonne Bernhardt moved to adjourn the meeting. Gale Bradford seconded the motion and it carried. Meeting adjourned.