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MAY 12, 2010 ATV CLUB MEETING MINUTES

Meeting called to order by President Steve Lobitz at 7:17 PM

Secretaries' report was mailed out and a motion was made by Tim Lee to accept and 2nd by Loretta Lewis.

Treasurers' report was handed out and a motion was made by Warren Martiny to accept and 2nd by Dick Engness.

Nicci said they are working on updating the Website at this time.

Our new clothing line is in and complete. T-Shirts, Long Sleeve T-Shirts, Sweat Shirts, Sweat Pants and etc. Check it out on our Web Site.

Raffle Tickets are here and we have sold 28 as of this date. Please HELP us to make this a very successful event. Remember this is the only fundraiser we have. Contact Nicci Minnick or see our website for further details. You may also contact Cindy Lobitz at 715-354-3041. The early bird drawing is Wed. July 14th at our ATV meeting and the final drawing is Wed. Sept. 8th also at our ATV meeting.

The 2009/2010 trail maps are still good; you will find them in map boxes at some of our sponsors.

TRAILS: Sawyer County Trails open May 15th, (31N, 31S) Mike Thompson will open Sawyer County gates May 15th. Washburn County opens Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend. Rusk County opens June 1st.

Kendall Johnson has been checking trails for signs and trees down and reported everything is ready for opening weekend.

Kendall and Craig will take out the old bridge on the Spider Lake Loop before opening weekend.

The ATV Club now has a used grader, Craig Minnick has been doing maintenance on the trails with it and says it does a great job and is well worth the money.

There have been a couple issues on the trails with gates knocked down, citations have been issued. Also there have been reports of side by sides running down Hwy. T, remember this is illegal and citations will be issued if caught.

Tim Lee was asked to try and help out at the Spider Lake Campground in regards to issues with ATV's.

The ATV final class has been moved to Wednesday night instead of Thursday. There are 17 students enrolled in this class. I will help Nicci the night of the final class serve food and what ever she needs.

A club sponsored Poker Run is scheduled for July 3rd, 2010. Check our website and also watch for posters for further times and details.

We are still looking for a good used dump truck to replace Ford Tough.

Don Mrotek has contacted us about a \$5,000 grant for rehab work on trail 31N. We will contact Tom Sirinek to haul gravel and Craig will do the grading work if approved by Don.

Dick Engness has been working on the Land Owners Appreciation Dinner with the Caterer. It all seems to be coming together very nicely.

Loggers will be working on the trails from Hwy. T to (use to be bridge) near Thayer Rd. Use extra caution when traveling this route. There are a lot of loggers working in and around our trail system, so again I warn you to take extra caution when in these areas.

50/50 won by Judy Martiny. Congrats!

A motion was made by Warren Martiny to adjourn at 8:22 pm and 2nd by Dick Engness.

**SEE YOU AT OUR NEXT MEETING ON JUNE 9, 2010 AT THE CLUB HOUSE
STARTING @ 7:00 PM.**

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Hello Club Members, Trails are open!! It sure was dusty this weekend. Just some information and reminders to pass along.

Please obey all signs! Respect Private Property! Stay on the trails!

- LUV/UTV update: The Washburn County Board of Supervisors passed a resolution on Tuesday April 20, to authorize participation in a new Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTV) 2 year pilot project.

This resolution permits UTV's (formerly Lightweight Utility Vehicles) to operate on County ATV trails. The State Statute language also stipulates that all Townships are automatically authorized to participate under the County resolution. Townships may elect to opt out of the program by adopting a resolution to that effect.

Washburn County will permit vehicles with side by side seating, steering wheel, stock cargo box, less than 1300 pounds and narrower than 65 inches. Go carts, golf carts, miniature pickups, pugs, argos and others are specifically excluded and are not legal to operate on ATV trails in Washburn County.

The Washburn County definition is intended to allow vehicles such as Razors, Rangers, Mules, Prowlers, and Big Reds, while excluding heavier, wider utility vehicles powered with diesel engines.

UTV's (LUV's) will be legal to operate on our trail systems when our trail systems open on Saturday morning of Memorial Weekend.

- New clothing is in! Check out the "Merchandise & Swap Shop" page of our Website for more info. Clothing is available at Seasonal Power Toys in Birchwood, the website or by contacting Nicci.

- As of June 2 we don't have any new members to welcome. The consists of 37 family memberships and 7 single memberships. The club has received \$230 in donations since April 2010.

- Swap Shop: Do you have anything ATV related you are trying to sell, let us know, we will list it the Swap Shop section of your newsletter.

- PLEASE HELP!! 9th Annual Fund Raiser for Trail Improvement Raffle
Only 200 tickets sold, \$50 per ticket

Early Bird Drawing Wed. July 14, 2010 7pm at the Club House

Final Drawing Wed. Sept. 8, 2010 7pm at the Club House

1st place \$2,000, 2nd 1,000, 3rd \$500, 4th \$300, 5th \$200,

6th- 7th \$150, 8th - 15th \$100, 16th - 20th \$75

- Wed. June 9, 2010 7pm club meeting at the Club House

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