# **Turf and Tundra ATV Club Meeting Minutes**

# 9/16/23 @ Webb Lake Tavern - called to order @ 10:00 am and adjourned at 10:38 am, 31 members in attendance.

## Officers:

Dan Bullis: President 605.212.9926	Ron Sager: Vice President 763.331.5646
Cheryl Gray: Treasurer 715.259.3405	Donna Richardson: Secretary 763.443.1124

## Secretary's Report

August 18, 2023, Meeting minutes were submitted to membership by email and posted on website. Minutes were approved as submitted.

# **Treasurer's Report**

The financial report as of September 16, 2023, was provided at the meeting and approved as submitted.

The financial report overview is as follows:

August 18, 2023		
Opening Balance	\$52,384.96	
Ending Balance	\$68,194.02	
September 16, 2023		
Opening Balance	\$68,194.02	
Income	\$7,041.56	
Expenses	\$8,418.15	
Ending Balance	\$66,817.43	
Copies of detailed financial reports available upon request.		

A big Thanks to those who helped with the Picnic at "What the Heck", and for all those who pitched in with brushing, trail work, grooming, maintenance & trail ambassadors this year.

## Trail Ambassador's Report:

We were represented at the Ride Safe program at schools in the area by two Ambassadors, Garry Brooks & Chris Keezer, along with WATVA. They were promoting helmets to school kids. This is something that WATVA will be participating in again next year. Our ambassador group will be involved in getting a Youth (Cadet) Ambassador group organized. This will be for young people between 16-18 years old. Currently WATVA is laying out the guidelines for the program which could be started as soon as next Spring.

## **Trails & Equipment**

Our last day of grooming was September 15<sup>th</sup>. We will be switching to grading trails, knocking down berms and filling water holes. Two local snowmobile clubs will be doing grooming between now and freeze up. Hopkins was hired to repair washouts near Staple Lake bridge and up by Hillside which is now done. We will be marking the worst water holes with survey flags on each end of the repair area so Hopkins can give us an idea of the amount of gravel needed. There are some stumps causing a hazard while grooming that need to be marked for removal. We will let Susie at the County know and will determine if we rent a stump grinder for volunteers to do the work or hire a vendor.

We will be disconnecting the drag from the tractor and doing maintenance in the off season. We will lower the blades and replace what is needed and weld the skids. We have used our new wire feed welder and it works really good.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Jordan Buck Day, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, we will have a table with information about the club, our ambassadors and club attire for sale. Anyone interested in driving their ATV/UTV in the parade should arrive at the Log Cabin Store in Danbury to line up by 11:30 am.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

We voted and approved the purchase of two battery powered line trimmers to replace the gas ones. The Stihl line trimmers we are looking at will use the same batteries and chargers we already have. The cost will be \$737 for both and will be outfitted with the blades instead of string. Donna will create a sign-out sheet to keep better track of who is using the equipment.

Last month we voted to create a club logo, there was further discussion on how that will be done. Dan was in touch with UW Stout and their graphic design program who could work with us to come up with designs that we could pick from. Donna offered to reach out to members to get a handful of volunteers to work on this project over the Fall/Winter months. A motion was made and seconded to move forward with working on the project and with UW Stout. Dan will be on the committee and reach out to UW Stout.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Jackson Fire & Rescue still has raffle tickets up until the drawing at Wild Waters the evening of the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Prizes are UTV 1<sup>st</sup>, Trailer 2<sup>nd</sup>, & \$500 cash 3<sup>rd</sup>. Garry Brooks has tickets and will be at the booth on the 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- July 1<sup>st</sup> the DNR raised our rate of payment for maintenance by \$3 per hour for summer ATV work, which is now at \$12. As a reminder make sure that we turn in our maintenance hours because they are payable.
- It was recommended that we add something on our maps that shows what hand signals to use on the trail. It also was commented that hand signals should only be used when it is safe to remove your hand from steering your machine.
- Appreciation was shown for our new president Dan Bullis on his first year in the role.

## **REMINDERS:**

**Upcoming events:** Our meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend from April through September. We are planning to have April, May, and September on Saturday mornings at 10:00 am at a local restaurant and June, July and August on Friday's at 6:00 pm at the Club barn located 2616 Tundra Trail, Webb Lake WI.

#### **Miscellaneous:**

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