Turf and Tundra ATV Club Meeting Minutes

7/18/25 @ Club Barn - called to order @ 6:00 pm and adjourned at 6:31 pm, 32 members in attendance.

Officers: Dan Bullis: President 608.212.9926; Ron Sager: Vice President 763.331.5646; Cheryl Gray: Treasurer 715.259.3405; Donna Richardson: Secretary 763.443.1124

Acknowledgement: The meeting opened with a moment of reflection for the passing of Garry Brooks. Members shared their appreciation for Garry's dedicated service to the club, particularly his trail ambassador work and involvement in the Chamber of Commerce. Details on services or obituary are not yet available but will be shared when known.

Secretary's Report: 6/20/25: Meeting minutes were submitted to membership by email and posted on the website. The minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: The financial report as of 7/18/25, was provided at the meeting and approved as submitted. The financial report overview is as follows:

June 20, 2025	
Opening Balance	\$20,807.31
Ending Balance	\$24,952.09
July 17, 2025	
Opening Balance	\$24,952.09
Income	\$2,703.80
Expenses	\$4,317.65
Ending Balance	\$23,338.24
CD	\$50,000
Copies of detailed financial reports are available upon request.	

TRAIL AMBASSADORS REPORT:

- Discussion focused on transitioning responsibilities following Garry's passing. Updates included helmet giveaways, with two distributed and two pending. Questions remain about follow-up and documentation, with Eric and others stepping in to help finish the project. Hope was expressed that someone within the trail ambassador group would step up to help Eric for continuity.
- The WI State ATV Association may receive \$1 million for digital trail mapping using GIS, aiming for completion by next summer. There's also legislation moving forward to raise the UTV weight limit to 3,500 lbs., which is facing industry opposition but manufacturing support.

TRAILS & EQUIPMENT:

- Members were encouraged to brush around bridge approaches and signposts. Battery weed whips can
 manage ~50 signs per charge. The club's trail maintenance contract started July 1, and clarification was
 made about responsibilities split between ATV and snowmobile associations, with a trial three-week
 summer/fall circuit.
- Per DNR guidance, mowing can now begin. Ron Sager trained new volunteers and coordinated efforts. Seven members expressed interest in mowing; operations now underway with the club tractor.
- Thank you to the volunteers who helped service the drag. Updates include new skid plates and lowered blades. Two more sets of standard blades were ordered, as hardened ones didn't perform better despite higher cost.
- A severe washout near the Staples Lake bridge on Trail #45 was repaired with Hopkins' help. That area is under consideration for grant-funded improvements. Beaver damming is causing water level issues on trail #925 at the new boardwalk bridge; trapping is underway.

OLD BUSINESS: N/A

NEW BUSINESS:

• Discussion around whether the club should pursue 501(c)(3) status to increase eligibility for donations and support. Current structure 501(c)(4) may limit some corporate donations. The board will explore further.

EVENTS:

- Next trail rides: July 25 and August 22 Bruce Peyton leading both contact him by Tuesday July 22 if going on July 25 ride
- Annual picnic: Sunday, September 7 at the Salty Steer from noon 3:00pm
- Jordan Buck Day Parade: Members asked to indicate interest in participation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

 Brief discussion about club election cycle, nominations were made at the June meeting and voting is at the August meeting.

REMINDERS: Upcoming events:

The next meeting will be on Friday, August 15, 2025, at 6:00pm at the Club Barn. Our meetings are held on the 3rd weekend from April through September; April, May, and September Saturday mornings at 10:00 am and June, July, and August Fridays at 6:00 pm. Most meetings will be at the Club Barn Building located at 2616 Tundra Trail, Webb Lake, WI, with the exception of April (A&A Icehouse) & September (Trail Blazer Tavern) location will be at a local restaurant.

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