

Black River Valley Four Wheeler Club, Inc.  
Meeting Minutes  
June 4, 2022  
Brantingham Inn

Treasurer Larry Smith called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM followed by the Pledge. The President and Vice President are both out of town today.

Secretary's Report:

- Julie indicated that we have 438 memberships, which is on pace from last year. Also, our Facebook following has increased to 1556 which is an increase of 7% from last month. Julie indicated member Shawn Miller is paying for breakfast today for anyone who wishes to partake. Thank you Shawn for your generosity. Julie also reported that she received a request for a donation for the Winterfest 2023 raffle. The Board authorized a \$50 contribution which will be in the form of merchandise from our store. Our online store has numerous items for purchase. Copies of last month's minutes were made available. A motion was made by Mike Mabunay with a second by Greg Martin to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

- Copies of the treasurer's report were made available and our current balance is \$9369.79. Mike Leviker made a motion to accept the treasurer's report with a second by Greg Martin.

Old Business:

- We are still pursuing the possibility of a Wounded Warriors ride in May of 2023. Greg will work on some contacts. Neil wants to remind everyone that trail maintenance is a priority. Cliff has indicated we will be looking for new officers and two Board of Directors for our October 2022 elections. Today's winner of our club raffle is new member Deborah Owens. She received a \$50 gift certificate to the Pine Tree.

New Business:

- Larry reported that the Board authorized him to look into our Not-For-Profit Corporation status. Larry & Julie met with Scott Lawrence of North Country CPAs in Lowville. We are in fact legal and recognized in NYS as a corporation. Further, Mr. Lawrence recommended that we pursue a 5013-C Status which would allow us to be tax exempt and would possibly allow for us to pursue grants. Mr. Lawrence also recommended that we file with the NYS Charities Bureau because of the various donations we receive. The Board has authorized this and Mr. Lawrence will commence the filings at an anticipated cost of \$1200. Larry will also ask the Board to have an independent audit performed before the next slate of officers take their positions. There was also a discussion of the likely closing of the trail between Lyons Falls Road & Burdicks Crossing Road due to a new landowner.
- Mike Leviker presented a short presentation on helmet safety. Motion to adjourn made by Rich Bourgeois with a second by Greg Martin.

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 AM

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Smith, Secretary.

