

ATV Maine Meeting
June 18, 2016
Hosted by: Bog Hooters ATV Club

Called to order 9:05 am

Tami mentioned opening reminders, including if anyone is recording, inform the members who are present.

Count of Directors/Alternates: 13

Secretary and Treasurer absent

Secretary's Report: In the absence of the Secretary, Tami offered to read the minutes from April's annual banquet if needed. Sue Lanouette made a motion to suspend reading of the minutes and accept as posted on the website; seconded by Mike Lee, all in favor, no opposed.

Treasurer's Report: 2016 – 2017 Budget - In the absence of the Treasurer, Mike Lee made a motion to postpone discussion of the budget and Income & Expense; seconded by Doug Kane, (12) in favor, (1) opposed.

Vice President's Report: Real provided an update and clarification on the Irving Woodland's contract and the specifics of what Ked expects from the ATV clubs to ride on Irving Land. Real reminded everyone that the landowner can dictate who rides on their land.

President's Report:

Tami shared the current membership data;

- Clubs: 76 – 39 have renewed
- Members: 7,500
- Businesses: 390

Landowners and Sportsmen Relations Advisory Board (LSRAB)

- Tami provided an update on the LSRAB meetings
- 2016 order of trash bags out to bid for 100,000 bags
- Landowner cleanup day – no date scheduled currently

Camp North Woods:

ATV Maine has an opportunity to be present at Camp North Woods in July, looking for volunteers.

ATV Maine Directors:

Discussion on clubs having a better understanding of why they choose an ATV Maine Director and the Director's role at ATV Maine meetings.

AIL – AD&D

Tami informed everyone that she and Real were told by Shane Knowles, June 17, 2016, that ATV Maine currently has no AD&D coverage and hasn't for 60 days, taking us back to April; this is the same for MSA - Dropped without notice – at no fault to either organization. No payouts pending currently for ATV Maine. American Income Life is working out the details, based on company needs, for ATV Maine to possibly renew the original contract. Information to be removed from ATV Maine's website, sent in an E-mail to the clubs, in the next newsletter and revise the Purpose & Benefits form.

Newsletter deadline – July 2, 2016

Break: 10:30 am – 10:45 am

Old Business:

- *Liability insurance:* Tami inquired about whether the cost of the CGL policy can be reduced if membership decreases. ATV Maine policy was originally set up in 2010 to cover a minimum of 50 ATV clubs. We will be paying the same dollar amount. There is enough to pay the 2016 -2017 policy in full. Plan to put invoices out again in July. No changes to policy or invoice price to the clubs.

New Business:

- *ATV Maine representatives visiting ATV clubs:* Discussion of the reasons why this will now be at the discretion of the VP and/or Officer to attend an ATV club meeting.

Recommendation to amend to Page (5), ATV Maine Rules & Guidelines, *Inappropriate Conduct*

Suggestion to eliminate the latter part of the discipline and ending membership the first offense, then discussed leaving the second offense as a chance to change. Mike Lee made a motion for the Directors to propose this amendment to their clubs, seconded by Joe Marcoux; all in favor.

Lunch 11:40 – 12:15

Thank you to Bog Hooters ATV Club for lunch.

Lou Annance spoke on riders abusing trails – issues with those that most likely don't belong to a club, additional cost to the clubs of the damages done; asking clubs to contact local representatives, give examples of issues and asking them for help to resolve the “renegade riders” – We need to educate more to get this message out there.

Goals for ATV Maine – open discussion

- Support the clubs; have them send in ideas/suggestions of ways to resolve the renegades. Share these ideas in the newsletter and E-mail.

Safety Officer's Report:

Trailer scheduling update:

Airline ATV Riders - end of June

Grand Lake Stream - July 16th

Bryant Pond – tentatively scheduled for July 23rd and August 6th

Real has his trailer scheduled one day in July and two days in August.

Interest in selling one of the 90cc ATV's in the Central Region trailer, to purchase a larger ATV. Ray made a motion to sell one of the 90cc ATV's to purchase a larger ATV, Mike Lee seconded; All in favor, no opposed.

Repair needed to the instrument panel on the Arctic Cat in the Northern Region trailer. Mike Lee made a motion to repair the instrument panel on the Arctic Cat, seconded by Sue Lanouette. All in favor, no opposed.

Regional Vice Presidents Reports:*Northern Region – Real Deschaine*

Access route opened on Aspen Road. Real showed the new Star City central Aroostook County trail map. Announced Star City's Ultimate Event Ride weekend, July 8th through the 10th. Real has been visiting clubs about trails and promoting the Star City map. Plan is to do a northern Aroostook County trail map.

Eastern Region -- Ray Archer

Over 2,000 miles of GPS'd trails on the Downeast ATV Trail map. Sunrise Trail, extended trail open by October 15th, will come out behind the Comfort Inn. Dennysville to host in August, nice ride to Calais from this area. Landowner trash bags are in high demand. Positive feedback of the landowner prints that were provided by IF&W. October 9th ride to Cherryfield, large turnout each year. Cherryfield land rules clarified.

Central Region – Doug Kane

Clubs that have problems in the spring time with trucks, game cameras have proven to be beneficial to many clubs to limit these actions.

Western Region -- Mike Lee

Brettuns Wheelers trail issue caused the trail to be closed; this limits the Livermore trail system.

Southern Region – Jerry True

Reaching out to dealers in the area, reminding them they are the link to educating the buyer to respect landowners or we lose the trails - No Trails, No Sales. Warden has been responding to calls in the area. Limington club has restructured and moving forward – nice save of an ATV club. SWOAM land in Standish, new road built for equipment to reach the ATV/snowmobile trail on their property.

Hosting Club 50-50 - Ray Archer

OP Membership Packet Raffle

Earl Oak

Mike lee

Jack Foulkes

Real Deschaine

Jerry True

Lou Annance

Helmet Award – donated by Wescott & Sons - Sue Lanouette

Pot-of-Gold Drawing – Central Maine ATV Club; not present

Bog Hooters' door prizes

Next ATV Maine meeting – August 20, 2016 – Eastern Region
Hosted by: Dennysville ATV/Snowmobile Club

Motion made to adjourn by Doug Kane, seconded by Mike Lee, all in favor.
Adjournment: 1:56 pm

Respectfully submitted:

Jami M. Kane
ATV Maine President

Approved by:
Real Deschaine
ATV Maine Vice President