ATV Maine Meeting 2016-12-10 Aroostook Riders ATV Club Houlton, Maine

Meeting called to order at 0903. Please turn off all cell phones or put on vibrate. Pledge of Allegiance to the flag Introduction of Officers: Acting President/Vice President – Real Deschaine Secretary – Terry Sinclair Treasurer – Tracy Levesque Northern Region Vice President – Real Deschaine Central Region Vice President – Doug Kane Western Region Vice President – Mike Lee Safety Officer – Doug Kane Northern District Rep – Dick Howlett Directors Count – 8 Directors and 2 Alternate Directors Appropriate meeting conduct requested.

Open nominations for Central Region Vice President – Doug Kane – Accepted Southern Region VP – No Nominations. Government Relations – Ed Zilinsky

Secretary's Report – Motion to accept as posted on the website by Mike Lee,  $2^{nd}$  by Sue Lanouette, MSVP.

Treasurer's Report – Motion to except by Mike Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sue Lanouette, MSVP.

President's/Vice President's Report – The meeting in Millinocket was mostly about Mountain Biking, information with cost and profit, trails and cost, with less on ATVing and snowmobiling. Want to build an ATV park on 7,000 acres.

Liability Insurance Reimbursement: This was brought about by an insurance increase of \$7,000.00, which brought the following statement from Kevin Norton said, "All ATV clubs are insured." So ATV Maine has reimbursed the ATV Maine clubs that paid their insurance money. All clubs are covered until September 2017.

Suggestion from Mike Lee to get someone to go after Sponsorship money for ATV Maine

Deadline for clubs to join ATV Maine is August 1<sup>st</sup>.

Any replacement insurance coverage needs to give ATV Maine the same coverage we have now. The insurance club number is fifty [50] clubs. AD&D has been dropped by American Life since February 2016.

Motion to make August 1<sup>st</sup> as the deadline for clubs to join ATV Maine by Dan Nicholas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Doug Kane, MSVP

Steven Walton, Regional Safety Coordinator explained his job's purpose and what is involved.

Michael Sawyer, Recreational Safety & Vehicle Coordinator for the State of Maine, explained his job's purpose and what is involved.

Break – 1046 to 1101.

Regional Vice Presidents Report:

<u>Northern</u> - \$35,000.00 for trails. GPS'd to Allagash. New maps for northern and southern Aroostook county being worked on by a professor at UM Presque Isle.

<u>Central</u> – Bridge replaced, moved from Hampden to China. Doug is becoming the liaison prison between the Maine Prison System and the Central Region. The prisoners need community service hours. They are great for trail work over the past three years. They are building a transmission line between Bingham and Kingfield. They are interested in anyone to work with them on the trail line.

<u>Western</u> – There are no MATS trails in western Region. Looking to talk with the club in Kingfield about MATS. I have one club which members said yes, but the president said no. Club is now gone but the Vice President is interested. A club in the Carabassett Valley has a trail problem with a land owner. There is a second ATV club rejoining ATV Maine from the region.

ATV Maine Stickers" ATV Maine stickers have always been a problem.

To ride on Irving Woodlands, you are required to have a club sticker from one of the twenty-two [22] clubs with an agreement with Irving Woodlands, plus an ATV Maine sticker.

Lunch: Motion by Vicki Conley, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe Marcoux, MSVP, 1223 to 1247.

A Thank you to the lunch crew!

New Business – Shane Brown has resigned as webmaster due to family commitments. We are looking for a replacement. Tami will cover the website and Facebook until we find a new webmaster.

Mike Lee made a Thank You speech to Tami for her work and dedication to ATV Maine.

Phil Flagg is appointed Safety Officer for 2017.

The Address/Bank Account change will not happen. Tami will continue at Real's request. Motion by Joe Marcoux,  $2^{nd}$  by Sue Lanouette to leave as is for now, MSVP.

Voting –President – Real DeschaineVice President – Mike LeeSecretary – Terry SinclairTreasurer – Tracy LevesqueTrails Vice President – Phil FlaggNorthern Region Vice President – Dick HowlettEastern Region Vice President – Ray ArcherCentral Region Vice President – Doug KaneWestern Region Vice President – Mike LeeSouthern Region Vice President – Open for Now

Motion made for the Secretary to cast one vote for all positions by Doug Kane, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sue Lanouette, MSVP.

Each ballot was so marked by ATV Maine Secretary Terry Sinclair per vote by the ATV Maine Board of Directors.

50-50 won by Dan Nicholas. \$72.00

Helmet won by Doug Kane and donated to the Northern Region ATV Maine Trailer.

Pot of Gold won by Caribou ATV Club \$200.00

A representative from Millinocket's Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club spoke and thanked ATV Maine for its support, and the direction the club wants to move forward in. Motion that ATV Maine write a letter to be sent out to member's in support of Millinocket, by Mike Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bert Levesque, MSVP.

Motion to adjourn made by Mike Lee, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sue Lanouette, MSVP, 1325.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Terry Sinclair Secretary, ATV Maine