

ATV Maine Meeting
Hosted by: n/a
Zoom Meeting

Date 02/19/2022

Meeting called to order at 9:03 AM

Please turn off phones

Appropriate meeting conduct

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of officers:

President –	Real Deschaine
Vice President –	John Raymond
Treasurer –	Sue Lanouette
Secretary –	Cheryl Friedman (interim)
Northern Region VP –	Dick Howlett
Central Region VP –	vacant
Eastern Region VP –	Daryl Friedman
Southern Region VP –	absent
Western Region VP –	absent
Web/Facebook Administrator –	Daryl Friedman

Directors Count: 8

Secretaries Report: Daryl read the December meeting minutes where this is a Zoom meeting. A correction is needed to the weight limit of machines-they want to increase it to 2,400 lbs. not 2,500 lbs. John motioned to accept the minutes and Lewis seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurers Report: Sue advised we have \$69,642.25 in the liability account and \$35,133.35 in the regular account. Lewis motioned to accept the secretary's report as given and Daryl seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Presidents Report:

1. Real has a request from Pine Tree Camp for a donation. We usually give them \$100.00, should we donate again this year? John Raymond motioned that we donate \$100.00 to them, and Daryl seconded the motion. Motion voted and passed
2. We usually join the Sportsman's Alliance, should we join again? Daryl has a letter and membership card showing that we have already joined and are members till September 2022.
3. We usually join the Blue Ridge Coalition, should we join again? The cost is \$35 for a year, \$70 for 2 years or \$600.00 for a lifetime. Dick motioned that we join for 2 years for \$70.00 and John seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Vice Presidents Report:

1. John is still trying to set up a meeting with the New Hampshire official to discuss their process on registrations and club memberships. Due to Covid issues, he has not been able to set up a meeting yet.

2. John sent an email to Tony, the manager of the Cross Insurance Center with detailed thoughts on an ATV trade show using both the center and the Bass Park area. This is still in the talking stages and won't take place for a couple of years as there is much to be coordinated in something this big. He has not heard back yet from Tony.
3. John's club is still working on the new trail connecting Mattawamkeag to the West Deblois area and hope to have it open this year.

Dick mentioned that there is not much going on this time of year in his region.

1. They are all waiting to see what happens with LD 1813. The one pushing for this change, Emily Smith, has trails in his area.
2. His club is going to hold their Star City Ultimate ATV event august 19, 20 and 21st.

Daryl advised there is not much going on in his area either.

1. The Machias Chamber of Commerce is holding an ATV Jamboree this summer. He is planning on taking a safety trailer to the event.
2. The website is going well but will be moving to a new website provider (more to follow later in the notes)
3. Facebook is going ok also, no major issues to report.

Real announced the newsletter deadline is 03/10/2022

Voting/Nominations.

Sue nominated John Raymond as Central VP and John accepted.

The slate of officers as voted and approved:

Real Deschaine as President
John Raymond as Vice President
Cheryl Friedman as Secretary
Sue Lanouette as Treasurer
Dick Howlett as Northern Region VP
Daryl Friedman as Eastern Region VP
John Raymond as Central VP
Ed Zelinsky as Western VP
Sean Landry as Southern VP

John motioned and Sue seconded Daryl as Facebook and Website Administrator, and Business Services Assistant. Motion passed.

Daryl motioned and Cheryl seconded Real as Safety Officer. Motion Passed.

LD 1813 was tabled until 02/28/2022 when it will go to the workshop for discussion. Real is on a land advisory board and most are against the current version of LD 1813. An amendment is in the works. In this amendment, highest weight limit would be 2,400 lbs. and calling it a commercial vehicle and registering it as such. The difference would be that if registered for commercial use then they can't use

it on recreational trails. This would be brand new statute language and start in the Senate. New Hampshire and other states have similar weight limit categories.

Real signed the contract with Ed Pineau so he is representing us in Augusta again this year.

Daryl explained that Patra Company will not be hosting our website as of 3/01/2022. They are recommending a new hosting company and would help migrate our current stuff over to the new site. The one-time migration fee would be \$250.00. The monthly fee would be \$22.50 for a total \$270.00 a year. This would put more work on Daryl. Right now, it is a 90/10 split where Daryl does 10% of the work. This new site would flip that so that Daryl is doing 90% of the work. Daryl motioned that we make the move to the new website provider and pay the migration fee, so things transfer over smoothly, John seconded the motion. Motion Passed

The board decided at last night's meeting that we will hold the banquet in April at Jeff's Catering this year. It should be on 4/16/2022. Daryl will call Jeff and make arrangements. We have 4 Ride Lights, and 3 Visa gift cards valued at \$100 each, and Sue has an emergency roadside kit to donate. Dick, Daryl, Real and Sue will visit local powersports dealers to see if we can get items donated. We will also need a helmet for the drawing.

We discussed attending the Sportsman's Show in Augusta as it appears to still be taking place at this point. (Orono has cancelled theirs). Daryl will contact the person coordinating this and get prices and see if any openings. We want to start attending trade shows to get our name out there in a positive light.

Real advised that we discussed last night increasing Daryl's pay and hours where he will be doing much of the work with the new website. Lewis made a motion that we increase Daryl's pay to \$20.00 an hour for 15 hours a week, John seconded the increase. Daryl said that if this passes, he would not be submitting for the Webmaster stipend as he did not want to bankrupt the club. Motion voted and passed.

Daryl asked the club to consider paying Cheryl the December stipend for Secretary where she has been doing the job since last summer. Sue motioned and John and Lewis both seconded paying her the December stipend. Voted and passed.

Real checked on the supply of hats he has on hand. Dick will get more hats ordered. Kendra will get prices for beanies, t-shirts, long sleeve shirts, sweatshirts and tumblers. We will need to get them ordered to have on hand for the banquet.

The pot of gold was drawn, Aroostook Valley ATV Club was drawn but no one was in attendance. The pot goes to \$150.00 in April.

We discussed opening up the membership to individuals. John feels we need to start allowing these where we want to start attending trade shows. People will want to join right then. Dick felt we should charge more for individual memberships. We would keep the \$10.00 and send the person's info and rest of money to the club of their choice to join a club. Jeff recommended only having 2 clubs in each region for the person to pick from, having that club's application completed and forward the app and money to that club. This was tabled for more discussion.

We will hold a Zoom E-Board meeting on 3/19/2022 at 9:00 AM to finalize the banquet details.

As there was no other business, Sue motioned to adjourn, seconded by John. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:44 AM

Respectfully submitted
Cheryl Friedman
ATV Maine Secretary.