## ATV Maine Meeting Hosted by: Island Falls

Date: 12/11/2021

Meeting called to order at 9:16AMS

Please turn off phones

Appropriate meeting conduct

Pledge of Allegiance

Introduction of officers: President – Real Deschaine

Vice President – John Raymond - absent

Treasurer – Sue Lanouette

Temporary Secretary – Cheryl Friedman Northern Region VP – Dick Howlett - absent

Central Region VP -

Eastern Region VP – Daryl Friedman - absent

Southern Region VP-

Web/Facebook Administrator - Daryl Friedman - absent

**Directors Count: 6** 

Treasurers Report: Sue advised there is \$39,312.19 in the regular account and \$69,638.71 in the liability account.

## **Presidents Report**

We discussed signing the contract with Ed Pineau. Real will talk to him about the \$300.00 lobby fee to see if it can be waived. Real will also speak with him about the bill Toy Jackson is putting in to increase the machine weight to 2500 lb. Emily Smith is a land owner in northern maine and is the one pushing for this change. She had said she would close trails on her land, then changed her mind and had Troy put this bill in.

Real was contacted by by the New Brunswick rep regarding a respirocity agreement between NB and Maine for an update. Real had contacted Dan Martin regarding the agreement, along with Ed Pineau and they had not heard anything yet.

Real signed the contract with American Income Life. People must complete the cards and return them in order to assign their beneficiaries. The company will send the cards out to members directly.

Brian Bronson sent out a notice that in 2020 there were 9 fatalities ad 215 crashes. In 2021 there were 5 fatalities and 208 crashes.

The April banquet was discussed, and it was decided to hold off and see what happens with Covid.

Dennis asked about the weight limit increase as he feels that ATV Maine should support it. Real explained that we support the landowners and what they want on their own land. Dave Chabot had suggested to the task force 2,000 lbs to be in line with New Hampshire. The task force talked with many

landowners who all agreed with the 2,000 lb. limit. It was also discussed that the weight should be left alone for a few years as this will just open up to width increases.

Shawn advised that the railroad bought 32 miles for Madison/Oakland and trying to buy land for Topsham area.

Dennis had two questions. 1. Stickers – he wanted clarification on how this works. It was explained and an example was given – if you end last year with 390 members and if they were primary memberships and all were sent into ATV Maine, then at the start of the new year, you can buy up to 390 stickers.

2. Plaques – Does Daryl send plaques to the supporting businesses directly or to the clubs to deliver. Plaques are sent to the clubs for personal delivery.

Break from 10:00 to 10:20

Real has a letter from Pine Tree Society, The Sportsman's Alliance and Blue Ridge. We do not have enough directors to vote sending money etc.

We were also not able to hold elections. We were able to appoint Lewis & Real as District Reps and Daryl as Facebook and Website Administrator

Pot of Gold drawing was drawn for Airline Swamp Donkeys and no one from the club was in attendance. Next meeting the pot goes to \$100.00

The next meeting will be a zoom meeting on 02/13/2022.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 MP

Minutes Respectfully Submitted, Cheryl Friedman Interim Secretary, ATV Maine