**Forest County ATV Association Meeting Minutes**

**April 20th 2024**

**Laona Senior Center- Laona ,WI**

**l. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance:** Meeting called to order and pledge was said.

**II.         Additions to Agenda:** None

**III.       Adoption of March Minutes:** Mike reviewed March 9th 2024 Minutes -Steve made motion to accept, seconded by Mary**. Motion carried.**

**IV**.        **Treasurer Report:** Tani provided Treasurer report. Bruce made a motion to accept treasurer report, seconded by Lenny. **Motion carried.**

**V. Membership Report:** Total 638 members Goal 700! Membership fees are: $20.00 for single, $30 for a family, and $50.00 for a business.

**Old Business**

**A.**     **Equipment Updates:**

a) ***New Tractors:*** *One tractor has been delivered for Nicolet Trail. We need volunteers to groom Nicolet trail. Jake will set up training day. The 2nd tractor is due to arrive in June*

***b) New Brush Head Installation Date:*** *Ready to pick up. Need to install*

***c) Drags/Maintenance****. Grooming should be done Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays due to traffic.*

*Laona School Forest trail will be closed for a few days for maintenance****.***

*The highway department has been a great help to us as part of grant so we could open the trails early****.*** *Please extend a huge thank you to them.*

***d) Case/ Grader Sale:*** *Langlade may be interested on buying old Case tractor. Tony Smith is interested in Grader.*

**B. Annual Meeting Change:**

a) ***Review and vote on Bylaws change:*** *This was our 2nd vote****….***Linda made a motion to accept changing our annual meeting date, seconded by Lenny. **Motion carried.**

 **C. Events:**

1. ***Spring Kickoff & Meeting:*** *May 18th There will be 4 groups…..Track only…30 miles Mole Lake and back….60 miles Argonne and back….90 miles Popple River and back.. Boones Burger stand will be selling food and donated a portion of proceeds to a local charity of their choice. A motion was made that our club will match the donation up to $500 by Mark and a 2nd by Tom. Motion carried.*
2. ***New Riders Ride:*** *Mike has sign in sheet for attendees date May 4th.*
3. ***Women in the Outdoors:*** *June 29th meet at Padas Gun Club approx. 50 mile ride. Please note the woman will be charge but men are welcome to attend.*
4. ***Poker Run Party:*** *Sept 14th Hollywood Hills in Crandon*

**D.     Maps:**

 ***a)      Review Maps for print:*** *Done*

 ***b)      Review Poker Run Books for print:*** *Done*

 ***c)       Posters for Poker Run:*** *Ready to hand out. Please reach out to Kim if have a favorite spot for one.*

**E . 2024 Election Discussions:** Please keep in mind that the VP & Treasurer position will be up for elections this year. If interested and have any questions please reach out to Mike for more information**.**

**F.  Meeting with FCP and Mole Lake:** Mike is meeting with these groups monthly. There are conversations currently looking into new routes and land use agreements.

**G. IRS Update:** Still working on 5013C..When approved we must keep track of member verses non-membership attendance at meetings and events.

**H. Storage Building Unit:** Our contract is up in May..Looking for new unit. A few options are being looked at..

 **New Business**

1. **WATVA Annual Conference Update:** An economic impact study was performed will amazing results! Our state receives approx. $5.4 Billion for ATV/UTV. The state of Wisconsin has the most impact in all 50 states. Mike has the slide show if interested in watching**.**
2. **Events Update:** Mike has a list of volunteers to lead and sweep for the Spring Kick off ride.
3. **Town of Nashville Roads:** The Town of Nashville would love to open all roads to ATV/UTV traffic. There will be an open hearing soon. Please attend if you can.
4. **Promotional Business:**
5. We would like to order (2) double sided Flag banners for approx. $1000.00 A motion was made to purchase by Mike and a 2nd by Mark to purchase. Motion carried.
6. A motion was also made to purchase a “BIG CHECK” for approx. 200 by Tom and a 2nd by Bruce. Motion carried.
7. **Multi County Update:** Every quarter 7 surrounding counties meet to discuss the need to open more trails with the Nation Forest Service. Baby steps are being achieved but this is going to be long process.
8. **Langlade Trail:** There is a push to open a trail for motorized traffic from Lily for White Lake. Langlade County approved. There is a petition out at local businesses to sign for the DNR review. Please get your name on that petition.
9. **Safety Gear**: National Forest Service is requiring member’s be Chainsaw Certified. Our liaison Travis will be taking the course so he can others. There are chaps and helmets available to all members to use while cutting located in the storage shed.

Motion to adjourn was made by Steve and 2nd by Al… **Motion carried**

**Next Meeting: May 18th, 2024 at 9:00 – Crandon Raceway**