**Mudslingers OHV Club**

PO Box 444

Twin Valley, MN 56584

**Minutes of Board Meeting:**

**Saturday February 11, 2017**

**Visser Farm, Ada, MN**

**6:30pm**

**REVISED**

**Attendance:** **Members:** Glen, Naome, Kevin, Sandy B., Pete, Judi, Charles, Paul, Khristi, Patty, Gordon & Brenda

 **Non-members:** Karie & Jeff Kirschbaum

Meeting called to order by Glen Visser, President.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Naome handed out a Treasurers report:

Raffle Account: We received Interest on 12-31-16 of $ 2.08, leaving a balance in the account of $ 8,343.83

Checking Account: Naome wrote out a check for the Post Office Box for $52.00 and we received memberships of $110.00 and received a check from Norman County for $ 3,576.69, leaving a balance in the checking account of $ 9,109.82. She also mentioned that the e-filing for Minnesota taxes is done and she filed with the secretary of state of renewal of nonprofit incorporation. Sandy B. made a motion to approve the treasurers report and Pete seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**Secretary’s Report:** Brenda read the Secretary’s report from October 20, 2016. Karie Kirschbaum said that Brushwackers was not the company that cleared out the trees, that they used Carr’s Tree Service. Naome made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting with the amendment of the tree service to be Carr’s Tree Service, and Gordon seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed.

**Old Business:**

City of Gary: On October 29, 2016 we did have some members go out to the Gary Pines and check out the trails that Carr’s Tree Service did and Mudslingers created a few new trails. Karie said that there about 6 miles of trails. She mentioned that they would like to get signs put up and land cleaned up before a run that they have planned on June 17-19 during Gary Days. She would like our help and would like it done before the run. Karie said that they still plan on putting in a few more trails for walking and would like to name the trails and put signs up. A meeting is going to be held at Karie’s on next Thursday, February 16th to get ideas. Naome mentioned that some poles should be set up so only walkers can use the trails made for just walking, otherwise ATV’s will try to take the walking trails. Glen commented that a sign should be put up in Gary to tell people to go to Gary Pines.(Change made at next meeting to state that Glen commented that he wanted signs in the town of Gary to let ATV’s know where to go, not to go necessarily to Gary Pines.) Karie said that she found Shock & Awe which issues grants for only Norman County and will help out for projects in the Norman County Area. The grant is easy to apply for and she said that if we needed any help she was willing to help but we probably wouldn’t need any help because it was pretty easy. So if we have any projects to do in Norman County we should apply for a grant. (They probably would have helped with the bridge work last year that Mudslingers did.) Karie said that they did get approved to have a campground and would like Mudslingers help on getting that ready. They do have a website: garypines.com. Glen tried to bring up a map of Gary Pines but didn’t have any success. Karie said that she will keep in touch with us. She also mentioned that she would like us to send something to Twin Valley Times to let them know when we are having activities going on and next meetings.

Facebook Page: Glen said that he hasn’t had a chance to talk to Norman County to see if they would be interested on having a Facebook page for the Agassiz Trail.

Change in Equipment and Labor Payouts: It was decided to discuss this issue at the next meeting in March.

Donation to Night Riders Snowmobile Club: Glen said that he talked to Pat Schultz to have him mention to the club to see if they were planning on fixing on any trails and if they would like a donation but Glen didn’t hear anything back from Pat. Naome said that she knows who to talk to and she would mention it to him.

Next meeting to Discuss Club/Board Members: It was decided to discuss this issue in the March meeting since this is also Election of Officers meeting.

**New Business:**

Youth ATV Training: Glen said that he is looking at either the last week in April or the first week in May. He said that he will line it up and let us know what date he set.

Membership Letter and Mailing: Glen, Naome, and Brenda worked on a letter before the meeting and have almost everything ready to go. Naome needs to review what each member did last year to make sure she checks the right line on the form when she sends out the forms.

Sweep Account from Savings to Checking: Naome checked with the bank to see that if we ever got a negative balance in the checking account that they could use the savings account balance so the checking account balance doesn’t go below zero and no check gets bounced. She said that they wanted to know how much to sweep and when not to sweep when the savings account gets so low. Glen said that he thought $100.00 should be the dollar amount to set. So if the checking account gets below $100.00 to sweep from the Savings account, but if the savings account gets below $100.00 not to sweep to the checking.

Club Insurance: Insurance is due March 1, 2017. The cost is $ 1,159.13 (not taking out the terrorism coverage) and is due to Noah Insurance. A motion was made by Pete to pay the cost and Gordon seconded. All were in favor. Motion passed. Naome wrote out check right away and got ready to be mailed.

Projects for 2017: Glen asked if anyone had ideas for projects for 2017. Glen said that he would like to see signage for the ATV trails in the town of Twin Valley and Gary marked better. We do have Gary Pines, Agassiz Trail Maintenance, and the campground could use some more work. Glen said that he went to a meeting for a Border to Border OHV Trail from Wisconsin to North Dakota. They have already spent $ 140,000 to create this trail.(Glen made a change at the next meeting to state that they have $140,000 to spend, not that they have already spent it.) It will be the northern 1/3 of the state. Grafton said that they would like the trail to come to their town from Duluth. A lot of the trail is already created but they are having a tough time getting a trail created on the west side of Minnesota because there are areas that are hard to get to. Though he thought that the Agassiz Trail would be too much out of the way south that we probably won’t be affected.

**Next Meeting:**

 Next meeting scheduled for Thursday March 16, 2017 at Twin Valley Liquor Store at 7pm.

Gordon made a motion to adjorn the meeting and Sandy B. seconded. Meeting adjourned.

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Thursday March 16, 2017

 Twin Valley Liquor Store

7:00pm

1. Call meeting to order
2. Treasurer’s Report
3. Secretary’s Report
4. Old Business:

×City of Gary – make Campground and put up signs

× Facebook Page for Agassiz Trail – Ok with Norman County?

× Change in Equipment and Labor Payouts?

×Donation to Nightriders Snowmobile Club

×Board Members update

×Date set for Youth ATV Training

×Memberships

1. New Business:

± Spring Agassiz Trail Maintenance

± Have Board members access to checking/savings account?

± Election of Officers

± Review of By-Laws

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1. Next Meeting:
2. Adjourn