**Mudslingers OHV Club**

PO Box 444

Twin Valley, MN 56584

**Minutes of Membership Meeting:**

**Saturday March 23, 2024**

**Ada Golf Course, Ada, MN**

**4:00pm**

**Attendance:** **Members:** Glen, Carolyn, Steve, Becky, David, Charles, Jim, Brenda T., Char, Doug, Mark, Sue, Kevin, Sandy, Gordon and Brenda S, new member Cody Bredman and guest Ed from Firefrost ATV Club

Meeting called to order by Glen Visser, President.

**Secretary’s Report:** Brenda handed out the secretary’s report for members to review. It was noted that Mark Brownlee is with a K and not a C. Sandy Boe made a motion to approve the secretary’s report and David Portz seconded. A vote was held and the ayes have it and the motion is carried.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Carolyn handed out the treasurer’s report for March 23, 2024:

Checking Account Savings (Raffle) Account

Balance in Checking 01-29-24 28,343.70 Balance in Savings 12-31-24 3,679.49

02-12-24 Dep Membership 40.00 01-31-24 Interest 1.00

02-16-24 Dep Norman County Trail 1.282.18 02-29-24 Interest .88

03-14-24 Ck#1102 Sunflowers (memorial) - 53.69 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

03-18-24 Ck#1074 ATVMN - 30.00 **3,681.37**

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**29,582.19**

Carolyn said that there is an outstanding check #1103 to Noah Insurance for the club insurance for $1,458.02. Upcoming bills are the Mahnomen Rod and Gun Club for the campground rent and Go Daddy for the yearly domain renewal. Gordon Sowl made a motion to approve the treasurer’s report and Sandy Boe seconded. A vote was held and the ayes have it and the motion is carried.

**Old Business:**

Yamaha Grant-Trailer for Club: Glen said that Brenda sent an email checking on the status of the grant and they emailed back that we were denied due to that they usually don’t do grants for trailers but more for trail development and they had questions on the ATV’s that we use for safety training and that we didn’t have an ASI certified trainers. Discussion was had on how we should proceed with the trailer and it was decided that we still were looking for an all-aluminum with ramp door but since the club will be paying for it that it was okay to look for a used one. Glen appointed Jim and Steve to be on a committee to look for a trailer for what we have had previous discussions on with size and features.

Club Safety Officer: Glen said that he did send the information to Casey Slininger. Doug said that he wasn’t interested in becoming the club safety officer. Right now our club currently does not have anyone volunteering for this position.

Beneficial Ownership Information (BOI): Brenda said that she did some checking into this and it was hard to find information on if our club needed to report information to the Treasury Department’s Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) or not. Minnesota does show our business as a Nonprofit Corporation. She did find an article from National Council of Nonprofits that “Most nonprofit organizations are exempt from the reporting rules” because from a legal point of view most nonprofit organizations do not have “owners” so there is nothing to report. And under another section of their site it asked “Which nonprofits are exempt from the CTA BOI rules” and it says the reporting requirements **do not apply** to organizations that are: Defined by section 501(c) of the federal tax code and exempt from federal income tax under code section 501(a) (virtually every 501(c)(3), (4), or (5) organization. So she will keep this report with the club documents and not do any filing for our organization since we are exempt.

Youth ATV Safety Training: Glen said that the Youth ATV Safety Training is scheduled for Saturday April 20th starting at 10am at the Ada Fire Hall. We have already had a few that have signed up. A few mentioned at the meeting that they know of a kid coming. Glen handed out flyers if people wanted to post them around.

Project Lifesaver: Carolyn said that the club received a thank you card for the donation made to Project Lifesaver.

**New Business:**

Trail Development: Ed from Firefrost ATV club said that he met with Peter Murch, Northwest Regional director for ATVMN, on Tuesday March 19th. Peter is with Woods & Wheels ATV Club and was originally with Red River Riders. Woods & Wheels are looking to try to expand out to the White Earth area. Firefrost goal is to connect a trail from Fargo to Grand Forks but also to move eastward to connect trails from Fargo to Duluth. We actually just need to get to Cross Lake and then there are trails from there to Michigan. Ed would like all 4 clubs (Firefrost, Red River Riders, Woods & Wheels, and Mudslingers) to try to look where there is possible connections to make this happen.

Membership Fees: Brenda said that it is this time of year again for annual renewal of memberships. The current pricing is: $15.00 for Individual, $20.00 for Family, and $50.00 for Business for Mudslingers. ATVMN did increase their prices in June, 2023 to $30.00 for Individual or Family yearly membership and $90 for yearly Business Membership. Sandy Boe made a motion to keep the current Mudslingers membership rates and Mark Brownlee seconded. A vote was held and the ayes have it and the motion carried. Brenda did print out some forms for members to take so she wouldn’t need to mail out so many and save on postage.

Agassiz Recreational Trail Central: Glen said that Keith who is the Norman County Engineer talked to him about the Hadler bridge and the structure of it. He is still checking into what can be done with that bridge and if it is worth fixing up so it is passable. He asked if our club would be interested in tree planting on this trail. We used Soil & Water last time.

Election of Officers: It is that time of year again for Election of Officers. Carolyn stated that we need a change in officers. Glen said that he was looking for anyone to take over as President. Glen asked if anyone wanted to nominate someone for a position. Brenda Sowl said that she would take over the Treasurer’s position if anyone wanted to take over the secretary position. Charles Portz said that he didn’t want to take over the president’s position be would be okay taking over the Vice President position. Brenda made a motion to elect Charles Portz for Vice President and David Portz seconded. A vote was held and the ayes have it and the motion is carried. Carolyn said that this would be her last year being Treasurer but would be willing to do it for one more year and Glen felt the same way. No other nominations were made. Gordon Sowl made a motion to keep the current slate of officers except for Vice President as: Glen Visser, President; Brenda Sowl, Secretary; and Carolyn Visser, Treasurer. Brenda Teal seconded. A vote was held and the ayes have it and the motion is carried. The new current slate of officers is: Glen Visser, President; Charles Portz, Vice President; Brenda Sowl, Secretary; and Carolyn Visser, Treasurer.

Trail Maintenance: Discussion was had on trail maintenance for Agassiz Recreational Trail Central. It was decided that if the weather was nice after the Youth ATV Safety Training and after the club meeting that we would do some trail cleanup on the north side of Ada right outside of Ada. Carolyn said that she would reserve the room at West Main Pizza for dining and our meeting after the Youth ATV Safety Training.

**Next Meeting:**

Next meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for April 20th, 2024 at West Main Pizza, Ada after the Youth Safety Training.

Sandy Boe made a motion to adjourn and Charles Portz seconded. Meeting adjourned.

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Saturday April 20, 2024

West Main Pizza, Ada, MN

After Youth ATV Safety Training

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

×Trailer Status

×Youth ATV Safety Training turnout

×Trail Maintenance

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1. New Business:

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1. Next Meeting:
2. Adjourn

Ideas, Suggestions, Reminders

\* Status on ART Central

\* LED Lights on bridges

\* Volunteer for Club Safety Officer

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