

Turf and Tundra ATV Club Meeting Minutes, July 15, 2022 @ Club Barn

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Secretary's Report

The Secretary's Report (meeting minutes) are sent via email to members with valid email address and are also posted on the Turf and Tundra website. If you have an email address and ARE NOT receiving the minutes, please email the Club Secretary at TandTATVClub@gmail.com.

Financial Report

The financial report overview is as follows:

Opening Balance		\$31,146.30
Income		\$ 315.00
Memberships	\$ 25.00	
Merchandise	\$ 290.00	
Expenses		\$ 2,892.14
Ending Balance		\$28,569.16

Copies of detailed financial reports available upon request.

Trails & Equipment

The equipment is up and running. We did have two breakdowns this month. The first of which as a hitch pin on the 3-point hitch on the tractor. The second breakdown was a blown hydraulic hose on the mower. Thanks to Bruce Peyton, Dan Bullis and Dan Coyle they had the mower up and running in a few hours. We are so fortunate to have such willing members that have the expertise and experience and the willingness to fix our equipment!

Shout out to Lowell Severson and Ron Sager for helping to clean up the pole barn.

Mowing has begun. Thanks to Ron Sager and Ron Bourgin for working on this task.

We are still looking for volunteers to weed-whip and clean up trails. Contact Ron at 715-259-3405 or Dan Bullis @dan.bullis58@gmail.com, if interested.

We are still needing a couple of volunteers to ensure paved road trail crossings are free of gravel. We have a blower and paddle broom available for this. If you are interested, please contact Dan Bullis. He can be reached at dan.bullis58@gmail.com.

Our Trail Ambassadors have logged in 65 hours for the month of June. Year to date they logged a total of 165 hours. Thank you for riding the trails and passing on important information to those you meet on the trails.

The club is still looking for groomers, mowers, trail workers, mechanics, and welders. If you have the time, we would appreciate you stepping forward to volunteer. Contact Dan Bullis our Trail Boss at dan.bullis58@gmail.com or Ron Gray our President, at 715-259-3405 if you are interested. Necessary training will be provided. Dan Bullis will be contacting past groomers for their availability this season.

New Business

Nominations for Officer positions were received at the June meeting. The following individuals were nominated:

President (vice Ron Gray)

- Dan Bullis

Vice President (vice Bruce Peyton)

- Garry Brooks
- Ron Sager

Secretary (vice Darcy Long)

- Donna Richardson

Treasurer

- Cheryl Gray (current incumbent)

Election will be held at the August meeting, FRIDAY, August 26th.

Gary Brooks, one of our Trail Ambassadors, will be manning the WATVA Meet and Greet tent in Danbury between the Log Cabin and Throttle Rentals July 30 from 9-2. Dan Bullis will be bringing our tractor over and Sue and Ginny will be there selling t-shirts and hats. No RSVP is required for this event.

Turf & Tundra will be hosting the regional meeting at the Club Barn on August 20. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. Lunch will be at 12:00 noon, and then we will have an ATV/UTV ride led by our Trail Ambassadors. Please RSVP no later than August 10 if you plan on attending. RSVP directly Ron at 715-259-3405.

Annual club picnic August 27th. **RSVP by August 13.** RSVP via text to Darcy at 763-458-1610 or Cheryl via phone at 715-259-3405.

A question came up at the June meeting regarding the 'numbers' on trail intersections. Ron checked with Forestry and Suzie will be including these numbers on future maps.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

A question was raised about the club's fuel costs. The Club will be looking into a program that may offered by the State. More information to follow.

A member asked if we are still planning on purchasing a new tractor next year. The answer is yes. Cheryl reported that grant checks should be coming in shortly and reminded all we ensure there is money for updated equipment.

There were some 'signage' questions raised in the group. The signs are missing near the Fishbowl and the Reservation. It is prohibited to ride the ditch between Fishbowl and the Reservation. You will be ticketed. We will check to see who removed the signs and ensure they are re-installed.

There was also a question raised about the fence that was damaged and needs repair along Hwy 35 over the Yellow River in Danbury. Ron will touch base with George on this.

Shirts and hats are only \$15.00 each, and dust masks and heat transfers are only \$5.00. Apparel will be available at future club meetings but if you are unable to get to a meeting, contact either Ginny or Sue directly at ginluka26@gmail.com or susanweiss51@yahoo.com on how you can purchase a shirt (or two). Sweatshirts coming this fall. Preorders will be happening soon!

REMINDERS:

If you are interested - Trail Ambassador training consists of on-line computer training and a background check and of course hands on training. The time commitment is only 8 hours per season. However, you can patrol more hours than that in a season, should you choose to. Basically, you are out there informing the riders, you are not the 'police'. Ambassadors are all about safety, awareness, and education. This is NOT an enforcement position.

Dirt bikes are NOT authorized on the trails. If you see dirt bikes on the trails, report it to the Burnett County Recreational Officer, at the Burnett County Sheriff's office.

Upcoming events:

Two monthly meetings remain. They take place at the Club Barn on FRIDAY evenings at 6:00 p.m. at the Club barn located on Namekagon Trail, on the following dates.

August 26 **VOTE VOTE VOTE** for Officers! To be eligible to cast your vote, you must be a club member in good standing and have been with the club at least 1 year.

September 16

July 22 – Club ride – you MUST RSVP by **July 18** to Bruce and Denise Peyton if you are planning on riding.
July 30 – WATVA Meet and Greet event in Danbury.

August 20 – WATVA Regional meeting/ride, Club Barn. **RSVP by August 10**

August 27 (annual picnic) SATURDAY, Lumberjack Saloon, Cty Road H, Webb Lake, **RSVP by August 13** to Darcy via text at 763-458-1610 or by phone to Cheryl at 715-259-3405.

Miscellaneous:

There were 23 people in attendance for this meeting.

The next Turf and Tundra ATV Club Meeting will be on Friday, August 26, at 6:00 p.m. at the Club Barn located at 2616 Namekagon Trail.