



Nation Valley

All-Terrain Vehicle Club Inc.



MEETING MINUTES Wednesday April 8th 2009

1. Meeting was called to order at 19:05 by President Theo Janssen.
 - 11 Members answered the roll call.

2. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting was moved by Brentley and seconded by Kenny.

3. Treasurer's Report:

- 3.1. Account stands at \$5220.

- 3.2. Outstanding Bills to be paid: \$1500 for signs and banner, \$40 to Matt for Corporate Profile payment.

Elizabeth Winter also mentioned that there are still passes that the club hasn't received payment for from the OFATV so the account will grow by a couple hundred dollars. She will touch base with Shannon at the OFATV.

Also, bank statements are still being delivered to Mike. Theo to contact Mike.

4. Administration

- 4.1. Bruce presented the proposed Funds Disbursement Plan from the OFATV. He explained how the \$140 membership will be divided as follows:

Club Portion: \$50 for clubs with trails, \$20 for clubs without trails. OFATV Portion: \$40 Revenue leveling Portion (Trails Fund): \$43.33 (\$50 minus GST)

The revenue leveling portion will be divided up based on number of members and the km's of trail that a club has. It's used to balance the payment to clubs who are working on expanding the network of trails.

There will also be funds to help clubs with development. Clubs will submit projects for the following year and the OFATV will decide on how these funds will be distributed.

Vote was held among the 11 members in attendance and the decision was unanimous. Matt to send in signed form to OFATV.



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4.2. Kenny Froats resigned his position of Vice President with the club but will remain a member. Ken suggested and nominated Dave as a replacement. Brentley nominated Steve Backes. Vote was held and Dave was voted in as Vice President.

Matt to update the Incorporation paperwork.

Theo took this time to ask that Directors with the club do their best to keep to their own responsibilities to reduce confusion amongst the club directors and members.

4.3. Steve going to set up booths to promote the club at village yard sales in Williamsburg (May 2) Morrisburg (date TBD) and Winchester (date TBD). This will also be used as an opportunity to sell some raffle tickets. Matt will try to secure some tables.

4.4. Theo and Brentley attended meeting with City of Ottawa Councilor Doug Thompson of the Osgoode Ward (Ward 20) regarding abandoned rail bed that runs from the Manotick area to Kemptville Area.

Different options were discussed such as a cycling and pedestrian path. Theo and Brentley informed the meeting that the club would like to use and subsequently maintain and enforce the rail bed as a trail for ATV use.

Bruce looking to re-open dialogue with Councilor Thompson in the coming weeks.

5. Trail Development and Maintenance

5.1. There has been a snag in the Inkerman trail. The landowner of the site of the initial plan has opted to decline the use of his land as the trail would run too close to his house. Theo has a couple additional leads that he hopes to explore. This will help get the trails to McIntosh Rd Allowance.

5.2. Giant To Do list primarily issues to move trails closer to tree and fence lines to reduce the amount of land a landowner gives up for trail as well as many signs that have to be re-installed now that the ground is softer. Members are encouraged to take a walk along trails and fix any issues they see. Should this happen, members are



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asked to mention the repairs to the Director of Trail Maintenance (Steve Backes) to ensure that someone doesn't plan to head out to do a job that's already done.

6. Purchasing a MUT trailer has been put on hold as the cost was deemed to be too steep. Brentley will get a couple similar trailers in to compare and the club will decide on what to purchase at that point.

7. Memberships

7.1. Associate Memberships: The OFATV's stance on Associate members is that it is up to the club's discretion. It was decided that we would allow associate members to join the club for a nominal fee of \$20. This would give the member full voting and membership privileges such as being the coolest kid in town but would not allow the person access to the trails. Dave to make up form for prospective members to fill out.

7.2. Brentley motioned to allow side by sides to purchase passes.

Club voted 9-2 in favour. Brentley to set up Guidelines for Side by Side use on trails as well as vendor guidelines for selling passes to Side by Side owners.

8. Wardening

8.1. Only a couple people out and about (Ken and Theo) and noticed that not many people on trails.

8.2. Spring Blitz will likely be put in motion in 2 to 3 weeks when the trails are opened up again. Theo mentioned asking the OPP to be part of it which will help develop the relationship between the Police and the club along with help establish their presence on the trails which will encourage good behaviour from the riders.

8.3. New mesh wardening vests are in and look very sharp. Thanks to Steve for handling this. Director of wardening has any extra vests that may be needed.

9. Upcoming Events

9.1. Ompah rally sold out so we are S.O.L.



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9.2. Looks like there are 7 members attending the rally in Mattawa on May 8 and 9th. Dave is has secured lodging at the luxurious 5 Star Hunt Camp for those who wish use these accommodations. Dave will handle signing those who wish to go up for early bird registration. Travelling plans to be finalized closer to the event. Those wishing to attend as part of the Nation Valley ATV Club should contact Dave Baker.

9.3. AGM June 5-6, 2009, Midland, ON. 3 people interested in attending, but only two members may vote on behalf of the club. Club will pay \$200 towards the trip to be split between those who attend with the difference to be paid by the attendees. Brentley to secure forms from OFATV web site and coordinate.

10. Next Meeting: May 13, 2009 @ 7:00 pm at Country Kitchen Restaurant.

Meeting adjourned at 21:20

Roll Call:

Robert Durant

Matt Girard

Amanda Thompson

Theo Janssen

Dave Baker

Brentley Summers

Mike Chicoine

Bruce Murphy

Steven Backes

Elizabeth Winter

Ken Froats