

Wolf River Riders ATV/UTV Club Minutes 2021

September 18th, 2021, at 9 A.M. at Jerry Schuh's Sportsman's Bar

A total of 9 members attended, & the meeting was called to order by the President Jamie Prouse.

August meeting minutes were read & approved by board.

2 New memberships were reported.

Jan Fisher gave treasurer's report which was approved.

Jan stated that we needed to vote on whether to renew the cd certificate or not. Everyone was in favor to renew. No one opposed. Motion was made to approve & was granted.

Trail Report:

The trails were reported cleared & in good condition. The partial gate that was made permanent was still solving the problem of vehicles driving across the bridge.

No other complaints about trails themselves.

Mainly now it's complaints of speeders & people drive where they aren't supposed to.

Old Business:

ATV/UTV most common broken laws posters are now posted at all pitstops.

Still waiting for 10 hats, 2 t shirts & 2 sweatshirts from screen printer.

DNR have been patrolling & ticketing speeders.

They may be changing the ATV laws concerning the use of 2 up aftermarket seats, right now they aren't legal. That may be changing soon.

The Langlade chamber of commerce went on an ATV/UTV ride with Jamie Prouse & a few other club members that were available upon short notice to assemble a ride. Thank You for everyone that was able to help get video/pictures to advertise for the club & the sport itself. They will publish ads later this year & some next year. The chamber of commerce received a grant that will reimburse the club somehow for the trails not the routes that we have.

New Business:

2 New members this month.

Right now, we have 1,420 likes & 1,509 followers on Facebook.

New trail on Hwy K to Hwy U is now open, so you can make a small loop- Yippee!

If we apply to get other county roads open a month prior to their county meeting, it may be approved faster. Also, we can try for a year around use ATV/UTV route, by first asking for a one year trial.

There have been problems on Jungle Lake Rd with ATVs/UTVs they aren't allowed on there, even though it's not in our territory, Jamie still wants to address this.

There also a lot of people riding without their headlights on.

DNR are starting to allow in-person training for club members that are interested, so that the club could start ATV safety training courses. Those who are interested in being a certified ATV/UTV instructor, there would be 2 meetings for 4 hours each for total of 8 hours. Chris Brook, Jack & Jamie Prouse are interested in getting trained. If anyone else is interested, call Jamie.

We are trying to get a statewide community/ Rescue trail numbering system figured out & trails marked accordingly. There is 2-year grants for these new signs on all trails ATV/UTV, snowmobile, etc...

The club will be receiving a case of pamphlets on the ATV/UTV laws from the DNR.

We voted on whether to reorder clothing or wait till next year. All agreed to wait intel next year.

We have 7 landowners that our trails cross and we have been giving them \$50 gift certificates from pickerel/pearson business association. We were all in favor of increasing that to \$75 & motion was passed.

Jerry Schuh's Sportsman's Bar is having a poker run today starting at 11 a.m.

Walleye Lodge Bar & Grill is also having a fundraiser for the Pickerel Fire & Rescue today starts at 1 p.m. intel 5 p.m. music, meat raffles, basket raffles, 50/50, cornhole tournament, dunk tank, egg toss, chili & desert cook off.

White Lake Atv club wants us to consider 1 huge one day fundraiser for all 3 clubs preferably in the spring (white lake, wolf river riders, & Parrish highlanders). Then all the clubs would share cost & responsibility of the fundraiser, & not be competing for certain weekends for all the individual club fundraisers. The club debated that the club don't need any more money, for the fact that we don't have equipment or buildings, so why bother with it. On the other hand, the club could invest in tractor, more signage & better trail maintenance since we do get reimbursed for it. It was also mentioned that if we plan this all winter, advertise this, & hold it before Memorial Day might draw a better crowd because between Memorial Day & Labor Day every weekend there are about 4 to 8 events going on.

After much debate, the club made a motion for not this coming spring but possibly next spring to do this.

Hummer is donating the water tank to the club for dust control on the trails. It was mentioned that we don't know if the new owner is going to let us store the water tank there & let us get water for the shower house, like we have in the past.

We also discussed changing our membership forms.

The ones we have right now has where you can request newsletters emailed or mailed. The club hasn't made newsletters in years, so we made a motion to change them, motion was approved. It was also mentioned that we could email the members the meeting minutes. Although they are available on the wolf river riders atv club webpage.

The Lion's club is hosting a Hero's Dinner at the St. Mary's Church on November 11th, all funds will go to an honor flight. RSVP

This will be the last club meeting this year.

October 3rd is the club appreciation day/club ride/dinner

Group will meet & leave Country Inn in Pickerel at noon to enjoy the fall colors.

Returning to Country Inn before 3:45 (when the game starts)

Half time – Country Inn will be serving either a Chicken Dinner or Lasagna Dinner to include salad and dessert for \$10 per person.

How many members are attending?

So far 2.

Motion was made to adjourn. Motion was granted.

The club is always looking for new members & new board members.

Joanne Spencer will be stepping down as secretary so we will have an opening.

Thank you for all your time Joanne, we truly do appreciate all the work you have done!

She enjoyed helping the club, but it's just getting too overwhelming.

Thank You to everyone that helped the club, one way or another it's greatly appreciated.