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Meeting Minutes – Marquette County ATV Club, Inc

January 8, 2022

Longbranch Saloon, Germania WI

Meeting called to order at 10:10 by John C. Attendance sheet routed for signature with 44 in attendance.

Welcome All members including our new members, Jim and Michelle, Leo and Mary and Paulette.

Nominations:

Nominations for vice president:

Julie Siegle. nominated Donny Heller for vice president. Nominations asked 3 times with no other nominations made. Donny Heller accepted nomination. Donny Heller remains in the position of vice -president for a 2-year term.

Nominations for Treasurer:

Lynn Odekirk nominated Kathy Mather for treasurer. Nominations asked 3 times with no other nominations made. Kathy Mather accepted nomination. Kathy Mather becomes treasurer as of January 8, 2022 for a 2-year term.

Introductions of Board members and Committee Members:

President - John Campbell

Vice President - Donny Heller

Treasurer - Kathy Mather

Secretary - Donna Richards

Membership Committee - Lynn Odekirk, Sue Fischbach

Map Committee - Bill and Maureen Wiest

Apparel - Maureen Wiest

Sign - Donny Heller and Scott Zuehls

Meeting Minutes: Minutes from November 13, 2021 were provided to all in attendance.

Maureen W. motioned to approve minutes. Bill W. seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Treasurer Report: Copies of the treasurer reports from October, November, and December 2021 that were provided to everyone in attendance. Donna R. briefly reported the Dec. 2021 end balance. Dennis W. motioned to approve the treasurer report as presented. Scott Z. seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

Route Activity:

John C. discussed a change in the way we get to the parking lot behind Jeff's Yahooz Sports Bar & Grill. The alley way on the west side of Yahooz is now closed to us as a new business has bought the building left of Yahooz and owns the right of the alley. We can still use the alleyway on the east side or right side of Yahooz or the drive by Granite Falls. We are able to ride on state highway get to these other alleyways so please do not use the alleyway just west of Yahooz any longer. Our signs have been removed. Please use the parking areas behind Yahooz and Weezie's Town Pump. You can also use the public parking by the City Hall and Library.

John also wanted to clarify that although we can get to Bancroft, we cannot go through Coloma to do it. Must use Marquette routes to Adams and go from there. In Coloma, can get to Trapline. Follow signs and the routes are clearly marked.

County Roads. - There was an article in the Dec. 30, 2021 Marquette Tribune indicating that specific county roads were discussed for approval. Donna R. talked with Brian Trebiatowski, Highway Commissioner for Marquette County this last week. Brian clarified that these county roads were only discussed. Because we do not have signed ordinances from the Towns, the County can not approve these routes at this time. For some, like Town of Neshkoro, they will be voting on additional routes until they have a referendum on additional routes on April 5, 2022. Brian indicated if the towns were to approve the routes, the county will not wait until October/November 2022 to re-look. Brian also indicated that the club is responsible for signing the routes if approved as we have in the past. County Rd E to Lunch Creek Winery is one of the proposed routes being considered by Neshkoro and the County.

As a reminder, the process to obtain county roads starts with the Towns, Villages, or City. They must approve the county road(s) first as a part of an ordinance. The signed ordinance, along with an application as to why the county road should be used as a route, safety concerns, and other items to support the use of a county road for ATV/UTV use, is then provided to the County Highway Commissioner/Committee to determine if they can/will make a recommendation to the County Board for final approval.

Green Lake - Scott Z. and Willie C. reported they met with the Sheriff for Green Lake County who is assisting with getting County roads approved. This is a part of the Application process for Green lake County. It appears there will be a recommendation for County Roads out of Princeton to St. Marie and into/out of Marquette County. They also have had to work with land owners to avoid an intersection the Sheriff will not allow. Safety is a big concern. More to come once routes are approved over the next year.

Columbia County - Lots happening, but nothing new.

Adams County - can now get to Redneck Saloon in Brooks.

Also discussed changes occurring at the state level within the DNR looking at uniform regulations specifically regarding speed and using state highways.

Sign Committee: Donny H. reported that they are ready to put up signs when additional routes are approved. Also, continue to report missing or damaged signs to Donny, Scott, or John.

Map Committee: Reminder to keep map boxes filled. We still have about 150 maps left. 2022 maps will not be done until April. Currently 43 businesses have responded to be on the 2022 map. Please thank businesses who support us and frequent them often. Mama's Cafe gives free coffee and extra pancakes when you show your membership card!!

Membership Committee: Lynn reported that we have 57 members paid through today's date for 2022. A reminder email will be sent to 2021 members and businesses.

Old Business: Request for \$1000.00 donation for Neshkoro Fire District (see attached). They are looking to purchase an off-road utility type vehicle to aid in responding to ATV/UTV accidents, hunting accidents, and any other accidents or rescues off paved surfaces. It was discussed that according to our by-laws, we can only give \$500.00 per year. \$500.00 will be sent for 2022.

Rides/Events:

Discussed annual Poker Run which will occur in June, July, and August.

Discussed **June 11-17th, 2022** South Dakota Ride has about 15 couples signed up. This is limited to members of our club only. Call Dennis at 920-572-6509 for booking information.

50/50 donation - \$85 to the club.

Next Meeting: February 12 , 2022 at 10:00am at Murph's Corner in Neshkoro.

Thank you to our home base - Germania Longbranch Saloon for hosting!

Scott Z. motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:45, seconded by George W. All in favor.
Meeting adjourned.

