

Meeting Minutes – Marquette County ATV Club, Inc.

October 8, 2022

Longbranch Saloon - Germania

Meeting called to order at 10:10 by John Campbell, President. Attendance sheet provided for signature. 61 signed the attendance sheet.

Minutes, September 11, 2022, were provided to attendees. Motion to approve minutes from September 11, 2022 made by Tim H. seconded by Chuck . Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report provided to attendees. Motion to approve made by Lauren S., seconded by Maureen W. motion passed to accept.

Route Activity: Trail to American Legion in Montello, will be closed on Nov, 1.

Discussed the county roads submitted to highway committee for approval, specifically Hy J from 15th west to County Rd Y in Town of Shields. Town of Shields did approve all county roads within their township. Highway Committee meeting this month. Donna will verify if the application is complete.

In Briggsville, route to Cimaroli's Supper Club on County Rd AA is open but it ends at restaurant. Highway 23 is not open, but will looking opening it.

John discussed that many towns in surrounding counties, Green Lake, Waushara, Columbia are opening up routes, including the cities of Berlin, Ripon. With that said, many do not have connectors open to our routes.

Town of Dell Prairie in Adams County, has a referendum in November and if passes, there is a possibility for a route from Marquette through Adams into Sauk County including Baraboo.

Sign Committee: Village of Westfield has remove all of our signs due to them having all roads open, leaving no designated routes assigned. Our map will be the only way to keep people from going a stray within the village limits.

Map Committee: no report

Membership Committee: Lynn O. introduced 3 new members, Mark and Stacy D. Montello, Russel M. from Princeton, and Tom and Christine F. Neshkoro. Welcome! Currently we have 329 members and 80 business members.

November Elections: President and Secretary positions are open. In the November meeting, we will have elections for President and Secretary. Nominated persons must be present to accept the nomination(s). If there is more than one person who accepts a nomination, then a paper vote will take place. Once determined, the elected person will take over the position immediately.

John C. will not accept the nomination for president in November. Donna R. will not accept the nomination for secretary in November.

New Business: Donna R. talked about the history of the club with this being the 12th

anniversary. Discussed that Missy Heller started the club here in Longbranch with a lot of resistance from the community, but the chairman of the county board at the time, Howard Zelmer supported the ordinance and established the story of the Marquette County ATV Club, Inc. We are very appreciative of the founding members and current members, including Missy and Donny Heller, Maureen and Bill Wist, Mark and Laureen Slabosheski, Julie Segle, Scott Zuehls, George and Marlen Weiss, and Donna Richards. The club has done a lot to get routes established and it now can move into a new direction, including hosting more rides, specifically after each meeting and at least one big ride every year.

Ride/Events:

John C. and Lynn O. talked about the Poker Draw Party and what a great event it was. 71 in attendance, 102 cards sold, 41 businesses participated. 45 over achievers, meaning they stopped at all 41 businesses spending something at every business. All dollars collected were paid out. Club paid for food. Donations provided by business and club. Discussed some changes for next year, possibly making it a three month poker run, shortening the time between the start of the party and the final draw of cards, and looking at issues with others drawing poker cards for those not in attendance. A big Thank You to Lynn and Gary O., and all the volunteers who did a lot of work for this event. Thank you to all of the businesses who donated food prizes.

John C. talked about a ride from a member who road from Marquette County to Lake Superior. 980 miles over a week's time. Lots of fun and it can be done! Will look further into this and possibly plan a trip for the club next year.

October 22, Tavern League Halloween Ride out of Town Pump (not a club sponsored ride). John C. is leading the ride. Dress up yourself and machines. Multiple stops.

December 3, Club Christmas Party at VFW in Oxford. Will have food, raffles, band and other fun. More to follow at the November meeting.

Thank you to Missy and Donny Heller for hosting today meeting.

Right after this meeting, we will host our 12th annual celebration. Again, thanks to Missy and Donny for providing the meat for this and everyone who bought pot luck dishes to share!

Next meeting is November 12, 2022 at 10:00 am, Thal's Acres Lanes in Westfield (under new ownership).

50/50 donation - \$160.00 with \$100 donated back!! Thank You!

Meeting adjourned at 11:05.