Minutes of the Keweenaw ATV Club Meeting

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Daryl

Kitty

Julie

Mike M

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Mike P

Dave M

May 9, 2023

The Keweenaw ATV Club meeting was held at the VFW Hall, in Hubbell.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Club President Daryl St. John. Other officers present were Vice President Kitty Beleck, Secretary/Treasurer Julie Karvonen, Trustees Mike Panijan, Dave Moyle and Ryan Laporte and Trails Maintenance Supervisor Mike McMahon.

The minutes of the April 3, 2023 meeting were read by Daryl St. John and a motion to approve was made by Gil Ewan, seconded by Jim Dube , motion passed by a vote of the membership. Julie read the financial report – bank balance $ 49,973.11 with 22 corporate sponsors and 236 voting members. Motion to approve was made by John Laitinen, seconded by Gordie Wetelainen, motion passed by a vote of the membership.

Old Business:

a) Lake Linden Trail Update-Recently there was a secondary washout on the hillside but no harm was done to the ATV trail other than some mud washed over the trail. Bonen had begun work on the repairs but it is still pretty wet and will need to dry up a bit more. On a side note, UP Snowmobile Magazine is interested in the progress of the Lake Linden trail and would like to expand the magazine to include summer riders. Bonen has agreed to meet with them to discuss the repairs and the trails impact for all riders.

b) KORC ride- There will be a trail clean up scheduled for May 20th. Will meet in Mandan at 8:30am, and ride to Copper Harbor, cleaning the trails along the way. The garbage will be left in the Harbor and a picnic lunch will be served.

c) Picnic- The Club picnic will be held at Ahmeek Park on July 8th. Invites will be sent out as details are finalized. Need volunteers to help collect raffle prizes.

d) Trail Maintenance- Packets are available for trail sections and should try to be done by Memorial Day. While out on the trails, please be on the lookout for any dangerous conditions or any obstacles that affects atv traffic and also look for any areas that are in need of repairs for future budgets. . Any major issues should be reported to an Officer. We always need more volunteers for trail maintenance, try to get friends/ family to help out.

New Business:

a) Projects out for bids- \*Eagle Harbor Cemetery along trail for one mile. Some of that project will be funded with private grant money. \*Montreal Meadows to Sotala Rd and installing a culvert near the Lac Labelle Rd crossing. After we know the cost of these projects, we will move on with more as money allows.

b) Eagle Harbor Trail Head- work is starting on the new trail head. The trail head will be off f the short cut road before you get to Eagle Harbor

c) Other topics- \* The land use permits have been signed for the trails now owned by The Nature Conservancy. The trails will remain the same as of now. There will be a meeting held in June by the Keweenaw Management committee in regards to how the land should be used and funded. \*\* The final paperwork is being done for the trail to High Rock to be designated. \* Kevin Store from Portage Health Foundation will be conducting a study to find a baseline to see how much revenue our trails bring to the area. \*KORC is holding a pizza party fundraiser at the Mariner this Friday May 12th from 4-8

Questions / Comments from the floor:

Next Meeting: June 5th 7 pm VFW Hubbell

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