

Minutes of the KATV Club Meeting

May 5, 2025

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 by Club President Daryl St. John. Other officers present were Vice President Kitty Beleck, Secretary/Treasurer Julie Karvonen, Ryan Laporte and Trails Maintenance Supervisor Jim Dube.

The minutes of the April, 2025 meeting were read by Daryl and a motion to approve was made by Faye McMahan, seconded by Gil Ewan, motion passed by a vote of the membership. Julie read the financial report – bank balance \$ 47,406.96 with 8 corporate sponsors and 150 voting members. Motion to approve was made by Faye McMahan, seconded by Ken Dulong, motion passed by a vote of the membership.

Old Business:

a) Trail Maintenance- The DNR allows us a bit more time to complete our work due to our winter conditions. Please try to get it done as soon as possible and make notes of any areas that may need repairs.

New Business:

a) The picnic will be held on June 28th at Ahmeek park. Invites will be going out soon .

b) Kitty applied for, and received, two grants- Right Rider for \$10,000 and Semco for \$1500. We will also be working on a joint project with the Snowmobile Club to develop a trailhead in Calumet by the Tressel on Trail B. Moyle Const. has also offered to donate the material and labor to do the needed repairs on the trail BD from Hancock to Dollar Bay. It is a state owned trail so we will discuss it with the DNR.

c) The trails North of Calumet will be delayed opening until May 15th due to the wet conditions.

d) All the Officers went down to the DNR meeting in Alberta. We have a new DNR rep – Carly Graff. She will come to our next meeting to meet us.

e) Visit Keweenaw, along with Mike McMahan and Matt Eberly, made a very nice and informative safe riding video. It turned out very well and you can see it on YouTube - Keweenaw ORV/ATV safety Love the Keweenaw & Keweenaw ATV Club

f) There is a washout on BD near Normand Rd due to a collapsed culvert. The DNR was notified and Jimmer has it marked off. We will get a contractor out there to get it repaired as soon as possible. We have had some conflicting issues of who is in charge of repairs on State Trails. Daryl will send a letter to the DNR to get some determination of who is responsible.

g) There is still interest in developing the snowmobile trail 133 to an ATV trail. Its possible but will take time to get through all the trail proposals, land use agreements etc. But the more trails we develop, the more volunteers we need to maintain them.

h) Aetna Mine trail development is still moving forward. There was too much snow for the contractors to get there to view the site. More to follow later.

Questions / Comments from the floor: *Chad recently went to DC to meet with Legislature to present to them the dedication that the local clubs have to our local trail system. We are hoping to be the role model for other Clubs to follow. *Lake Linden trail is a mess. Hoping to get a contractor out there to do some gravel/grading. * TNC is working on a proposed management program for the land in the Keweenaw. The Kew ATV Club will continue to work alongside TNC until the State takes over the land.

Next Meeting: June 2 VFW in Hubbell. Please bring completed trail maintenance paperwork

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