

Minutes of the KATV Club Meeting

October 6, 2025

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by Club President Daryl St. John. Other officers present were Vice President Kitty Beleck, Secretary/Treasurer Julie Karvonen, Trustees Mike Panijan, Amy Machiela and Trails Maintenance Supervisor Jim Dube.

The minutes of the Sept 8, 2025 meeting were read by Daryl and a motion to approve was made by May Machiela, seconded by Bob Banfield, motion passed by a vote of the membership. Julie read the financial report – bank balance \$157,843.59 with 30 corporate sponsors and 294 voting members. Motion to approve was made by Faye McMahon, seconded by John Laitnen, motion passed by a vote of the membership.

Old Business:

- a) It was a very productive year for us. We spent almost two years of grant money totaling almost \$443,000.00
- b) We will hold our annual fall Club ride on October 18th leaving from the snow gauge at 9:30. Jimmer will lead the group.
- c) Things are moving forward with the Aetna Mine Trail development. The bridge proposal has been okayed.

New Business:

- a) Kitty was very busy applying for grants/donations in 2025-Right rider access grant \$10,000. Semco Energy \$1,500. UPPCO \$500, Sparks for Good grant \$1,500. Plus, we've collected over \$1200 from the donation boxes set up at local business (will collect them for the season at the end of the month) and Giving Tuesday was \$4,179.
- b) The Club has been working with the snowmobile Club on developing a trail head in Calumet by the Groomer barn. If it is approved by the state, it would be a designated parking area for riders and would be on the state DNR Trail map.
- c) In the Keweenaw, there is a section of land owned by TRC that is for sale. That land has 16 miles of our trail system on it. The DNR is working on obtaining permanent easement on that land.
- d) other notes: *The gas station in Copper Harbor is now open. *The snowmobile Club is working on getting the Freda Trail open for this upcoming riding season. *The repairs needed on Trail BD from Hancock to Dollar Bay will be addressed next season. The trail is difficult to work on as the fiber cable is close to the surface. Cross drainage is needed as well as gravel and grading.

Questions / Comments from the floor:

Next Meeting: in the spring- watch website for date