

## Turf and Tundra ATV Club Meeting 4-22-17, Glider's Bar & Grill

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The meeting was called to order at 10:03 a.m.

Ron Gray began the meeting by reading the minutes of the previous meeting held in September 2016. In the future, meeting minutes will be posted to the website and sent to members with valid email addresses and no longer read at the monthly meetings.

### Financial Report

In the absence of the Treasurer, Cheryl Gray, Ron provided an overview of the financial report which follows:

Opening Balance	\$46,260.17
Income	\$ 8,111.00
Expenses	\$22,167.52
Ending Balance	\$32,203.65

Copies of detailed financial reports available upon request.

### Trails & Equipment

The Club got a new tractor and it has been hooked up to the bush hog and Harvey Thompson has been out working on the corners of the trails this week. Bill Rutgers is almost finished working on the big groomer – new spindles, grader blades, etc. The Club will be asking for volunteers for brushing very soon.

Trail 121 has now been moved – it was up and available for winter ATVing. The 'new' trail begins near Airfield Road and CCC Road. It goes around the water and reconnects with 121 and goes out to Highway 77.

Part of Trail 41N that crosses Springbrook has been altered. It takes you off of Springbrook and comes out at Trail 5.

A new route has been established at the intersection of Trails 151 and 18 – it goes to Big McGraw Lake Road. This new trail takes you to Otis' Bar (new business). This new section of trail will be marked soon.

Road routes in Swiss Township will be open May 26<sup>th</sup>. Special thanks to Swiss Township!

The sponsorship monies from businesses was awesome. Gandy Dancer donated proceeds from a meat raffle, there was a spaghetti dinner and meat raffle and silent auction, bake sale. The goal was \$8,000-\$9,000 – nearly \$13,000 was raised! The Club still needs to purchase paint, nuts, bolts, etc. for new

signs/posts. The Club has spent approximately \$5,000 to date and an estimate of \$8,000 remains on this project. Volunteers will be needed for the sign project.

Ron will be contacting Mike, the County Commissioner about the status of the County Roads regarding signage and opening them up.

Board members up for Election in August 2017. Nominations will take place at the JUNE meeting. Current board members are Tom Ross, Harvey Thompson and John Kielkucke.

Membership renewals are due JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>. Members who recently joined club (since January 1<sup>st</sup>, don't have to renew their membership until June of 2018).

Volunteers are needed for Burl's Memorial Day Poker Run at the Fishbowl Bar in Danbury on Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

Gary Brook and Eric Pagon will be attending the annual WATVA meeting in Wausau.

Bruce, Denise, Ron and Cheryl attended the Burnett County Tourism Coalition meeting. The County Trail System that Turf & Tundra maintains was voted #4 of the top 10 Things to Do in Burnett County. Ron shared the plaque that was presented to the Club from the Burnett County Tourism Coalition.

Free Wheeling Weekend scheduled for June 3rd and 4th – This will be hosted at the Pole Building - there will be guided rides and lunch will be available. Information will be posted on our Facebook page soon.

Donna had discounted shirts for sale for \$5. Any remaining shirts will be donated.

Next ATV Club meeting will be at the Pour House in Siren, on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

#### **Public Comment:**

A question was raised regarding opening the Gandy Dancer trail. Ron shared with the group that the businesses have to pursue the opening of the trail to ATVs. The businesses will have to organize and get on the county agenda, etc.

A member shared that the Gandy Dancer Trail Commission met this past week. They meet twice per year. She stated that the bicyclists are very active group and it will be a very tough fight in her opinion to get the trail open to ATVs. She will keep the group informed.

A question was raised about the Veteran's Ride – if anyone has information, please share it.

Scott Township have two new supervisors that are 'ATV friendly'. They are hoping to get their roads open to ATV use.

Douglas County trails are currently open. Burnett County trails will not open until May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017. This is accordance with a County Ordinance.

T-shirts/Hats were available for sale.

There were over 40 individuals that signed the sign-up sheet at the meeting. GREAT turnout!

**Upcoming events:**

Next Turf and Tundra ATV Club Meeting – May 19, @ 7:00 p.m., Pour House in Siren

Burl's Memorial Day Poker Run – Sunday, May 28<sup>th</sup>

Free Wheelin' Weekend – June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.