

Florence County Blue Ox Trail Riders

Meeting Minutes: Monday, November 6, 2023

1. **Meeting Called to Order**-By President Fran @5:35
2. **Approval of Minutes from the last meeting**- Approval Jerry H, 2nd Mike S., motion carried.
3. **Treasurer's Report**: Financial update handed out in detail. The club will be receiving an additional bill for around \$2000 from Mike S., this is for travel to a AWSC meeting & water installment into our new shop. Approval: Ron J., 2nd Jerry H., motion carried.
Funding Report-Get your worksheets monthly. Dean attended a Zoom meeting on Snars. F4 south is non funded & F13 off LaSalle Road is not funded.
4. **Secretary's Report**-Nothing
5. **Vice-President Report**-water has been run from the main line to our new building. The sewer hasn't been started yet.
6. **President's Report**- Nothing
7. **Equipment Managers Report**- New machine and drag are here. Mike S. & Ron have been organizing work maintenance on all equipment. We need to look at a new fuel tank. Estimate for a 250 double wall tank \$2300, 200-gal transfer tank \$1200 single, if it is over 1100 you need a permit.
8. **Public Relations Report**-70 businesses contacted for map ads. We have 18 that have not paid yet. We will be ordering around 2000 maps for 2024, a lot of maps left from last year.
9. **Trail Coordinators Report**- The forest service is requesting if a gate is locked & closed when we are working on a trail to make sure we leave it the same way.
10. **AWSC Report**- Mike S attended a conference in La Crosse. Currently there are 230,000 registered sleds in WI., 14,800 are out of state. AWSC has 600 clubs, with 41000 members. Problems are occurring with the Snars system, which they are working on to try to resolve. Trail passes brought in a little over 4 million. Funding will change supplement from \$900 to \$1500 on snowmobile.
11. **WATVA Report**-Winter funding starts November 1st.
12. **Old Business**- Nothing

13. **New Business- Update: on ATV/UTV town routes in Fence.** Currently the Town Board of Fence is working on changing the township ordinance & implementing the changes starting December 1, 2023. If the new changes aren't implemented by riders, the next step will be to shut down the town routes completely. Randy Harden from WACO was present & will contact the Board of Fence, hoping to assist with some of the challenges they are facing.
14. **New Member Introductions-** Lets Welcome Bill & Carol Winsand!
15. **Social Gathering & Volunteer Fund-** We are going to Tavern on Central tonight. Raffle money collected \$68; winner was David B \$34.
16. **Next Meeting is-** Monday, December 4, 2023 @5:30
17. **Meeting Adjourned:** By President Fran @ 7pm.