

Florence County Blue Ox Trail Riders

5:30 Meeting Minutes: Monday, October 2, 2023

1. **Meeting Called to Order**-By President Fran@5:30pm
2. **Approval of Minutes from the last meeting**-Approval Jerry H., 2nd Dave E., Motion Carried.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** Appreciation Dinner Cost-Total \$1,129, includes \$25 gas cards.
Monthly Financial Report-Copy of a detailed report handed out. Liquid assets \$183,325.73.
Approval Jim L., 2nd Dave E., Motion Carried.
Funding Report- July 1st ATV funding started over. The club was paid \$38,184 for summer ATV grooming.
4. **Secretary's Report**- Nothing
5. **Vice-President Report**- Maintenance equipment manager needed. Ron Julian was nominated by Mike S., 2nd Fran M., Motion Carried. Dave Ebert handed in resignation for Director at Large effective in November 2023. Hopefully water & sewer will be installed by the end of October.
6. **President's Report**- nothing
7. **Equipment Managers Report**- Our 2 bombardiers would cost more to repair than they are worth, both need track work & the engine rebuilt is old. Motion by Sandi L, 2nd Dave E., to purchase a snow rabbit (\$154K) to include a brush guard & blade and trade in both bombardiers (\$12k value) with a \$30,000 downpayment. The treasurer will contact the bank for terms of the loan.
8. **Public Relations Report**- We will need to update the landowner's appreciation list yearly. Next year we should set up at 5pm, 5:30 cocktails, and dinner at 6pm. We had 27 landowners attend the dinner and 14 club members. Maps ads were mailed out.
9. **Trail Coordinators Report**- Trail 6 will be shut down by whitetail. The gate by Sachs bar has a lock on it, which Matt will take care of removing. Matt attended an ORV meeting, WATVA will be implementing Snars soon. Matt suggested that the highway dept. go through and do trails once in the beginning and once in the end of the year.
10. **AWSC Report**-Nothing
11. **WATVA Report**- Warden reported 26 fatalities in the state. Florence 2, Marinette 1, and the rest are in the northwest part of the state. Registrations in WI have gone up in the last 5 years to around 480,300. Open intoxication bill is dead, you can drink while in your side by side.
12. **Old Business**- Suggestion: open board positions to have a job description.
13. **New Business**-Motion made to purchase demo drag by Mike S., 2nd Jerry H.
14. **New Member Introductions**-None
15. **Social Gathering & Volunteer Fund**- Get together after meeting at One O One. 50/50 raffle \$89, Sandi L won \$44.
16. **Next Meeting is**- Monday, November 6, 2023
17. **Meeting Adjourned:** by President Fran 7:05pm