

Nation Valley ATV Club

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MEETING MINUTES – Tuesday, March 11th, 2014

1. Roll Call

- Meeting called to order by President Dave Baker at 7:10pm.
- 18 members present for roll call.

2. Review Minutes Of Last Meeting

- Motion to accept the minutes by Mike Chicoine and seconded by Sebastien Smith.

3. Treasurer's Report

3.1. Current account status & list of incoming bills to be paid.

- Approx. \$6,064.26 in the bank.
- Slow month for membership/pass sales.
- Received \$175.00 for map sponsorship.
- Expecting approximately \$300.00 to come in from OFATV.
- Expecting \$2500.00 cheque from RFD.
- Balance of Red TBX remains to be paid.
- Club will need to tap into equipment fund in order to pay for remainder of Red TBX.

3.2. Membership report

- There are currently 141 NVATVC members.
- Membership is currently at 50% from budget.

4. Trail Maintenance Update

- Record month on the books for grooming.
- Effort needs to be made to start grooming earlier in the season to create better base.
- More riders on January Fun Run would allow the trail to be packed down for RFD.
- No further grooming planned for this winter.

5. Volunteer Report

5.1. Volunteer of the Month

- 150 hours were spent on trail work by volunteers in February.
- Hours up 60% from February 2013.
- No more hours planned on trail work for March and April.
- Trails will require a lot of volunteer hours to prepare trails for upcoming summer season.
- Ray Komendat is the volunteer of the month. Congratulations!

6. Chief Warden Report

- Warden hours not available yet for February.
- Wardens thought RFD went very smoothly.

7. Quarter Master Report

7.1. Red TBX

- Heat shield fell off, but was repaired under warranty.
- Tracks will need to come off before trails reopen.

7.2. Green TBX

- Currently at Allan Johnston's to repair outstanding items that were put off.
- Front track blew apart...waiting for estimate on repair.
- Allan Johnston's told not to rush, as no more trail work is planned till May.

7.3. Drags

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- Blue drag has busted welds that need repairing.
- Small drag has new winch, but consensus is that the winches should be swapped between drags.

7.4. Diamond Boxes

- Connectors for drags need to be repaired.
- Ray volunteered to have a look in the spring.

7.5. Tracks

- Track on Green TBX needs to be repaired.
- Both sets of tracks need maintenance this summer in preparation for next winter season.

8. Sponsorship Updates

8.1. 2014 Map

- 2014 maps have been printed and are available for distribution.

9. Marketing Committee

- Nothing to report.

10. Trail Updates

10.1. North Grenville Update

- By-laws are being looked into for Merrickville-Wolford expansion.
- North Grenville trails are ready to go, but need to be signed in the spring.
- Budget for trail maintenance needs to be discussed.
- There is a consensus to move forward with possible Chapter Club for North Grenville and Merrickville-Wolford.
- Date to be set for presentation of By-law proposal for Merrickville-Wolford.

10.2. Ottawa Update

- NVATVC awarded \$12,000 from City of Ottawa's Rural Community Building Grant Program.
- NVATVC Executive's to sign Terms and Conditions Agreement for the Grant.
- Funds to be used towards culvert installation for Ottawa trail expansion.
- Plans are to have culverts go in as soon as spring half-load limitations are lifted.
- Mike Starr and Kris Gough to sit and iron out a budget for trail expansion and maintenance.
- Scouting trip to be planned as soon as the snowmobile trails are closed.
- One big issue with land use remains. Councillor Doug Thompson has agreed to speak to representatives from Carleton University on the NVATVC's behalf.

10.3. South Dundas

- News is out that Kemptville College is closing its doors. Possible land use opportunity in the future.

10.4. North Dundas

- No more grooming planned.
- Motion to close trails on March 17th put forth by Steve Kloosterman. Motion passed unanimously.

10.5. North Stormont

- No updates

11. OFATV And District One

11.1. OFATV

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- OFATV announced that clubs using Hydro Corridors on their trail systems may be subject to land use fees and/or special permission.
- Currently NVATV does not use Hydro Corridors on its trail system.
- Announced that 10 million dollars in grant money is up for grabs from the National Trails Coalition this year.
- Submissions to grant will need to be done quickly. NVATVC to identify trail work we need and apply for grant money.
- No date has been officially published for when the submissions need to be entered.
- OFATV Volunteer of the Year Award and Volunteer Family of the Year Award forms need to be filled out and submitted. Contact Mike Chicoine if you need a copy of the form.

12. Upcoming Events

12.1. Valley Outdoors Show in Carp – April 4th, 5th and 6th

- NVATVC to share booth with OVATVC.
- If anyone is interested in attending or volunteering, please contact Dave Baker.

12.2. Bass Pro ATV Show – April 11th and 12th

- OFATV has a booth booked. All clubs are welcome to join their booth at their leisure.
- If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Dave Baker.

12.3. North Bay ATV Club Outdoor Show – April 16th and 17th

- Show is taking place mid-week, therefore very little interest in attending.

12.4. Ompah RFD – April 26th

- This is a third-party RFD ride, therefore not listed on RideForDad.ca.
- Dave Baker to send out email.
- If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Dave Baker.

12.5. Missing Link Geocache Poker Run – May 3rd

- Lots of presence in the past from NVATVC members.
- Dave Baker to send out email.
- If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Dave Baker.

12.6. OFATV AGM – May 30th to June 1st

- \$125.00 fee if interested in attending all weekend.
- Twilight ATV ride planned for Friday evening.
- Boat Cruise dinner planned for Saturday evening.
- OFATV recommends sending two voting delegates from each club.
- If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Dave Baker.
- Attendance must be decided by next NVATVC meeting, in order to register with OFATV.

12.7. International Plowing Match – September 2015

- Save the date...should be a great time.

13. New Business/Round Table:

13.1. RFD Review

- Brad Marsh returned again this year, accompanied by John Barrett.
- Amanda Kingsland attended and has agreed to come back next year.
- Approximately \$46,000 was raised.
- 11 individuals raised \$1,000 or more.

13.2. NVATVC 2014 budget

- NVATVC AGM is in May. Executives to meet prior to AGM, in order to put together 2014 operating budget.

14. Next Meeting: Tuesday, April 8th, 2014

- OVATVC AGM attendance

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- NVATVC members plan to attend May 3 Geocache Rally in Stonecliff
 - NVATVC 2014 budget

Roll Call:

- Mark Woodman
- Dale Shaw
- Dave Baker
- Charlotte Coons
- Ray Komendat
- Sebastien Smith
- Patrick Kinch
- Josh Lasalle
- Steve Kloosterman
- Kris Gough
- Charles Sadler
- Michael Horsburgh
- Krista Jensen
- Joe Pinch
- Lee Moore
- Mike Chicoine
- Mike Starr
- Jeff Leizert