

Minutes for **6-5-2012** meeting Valley ATV Riders

In Attendance: Dan Nicolas, Don Ouellette, Phil Plourde, Bert Levesque, Real Deschaine (ATV Maine rep), Sean Greening, Bruce Morneault, Paul Pelletier, Ann Levesque

A. **Secretary's Report**-accepted as read

B. **Treasurer's Report**-accepted as read

1. **ATV Maine Rep-Real Deschaine:** clubs now need permission from landowners to put up MATS (Maine all-terrain trail system) signs, Real has training trailer in Madawaska which can be used for training for 10-16 yr olds, next atv maine meeting in Cherryfield June 16, 2012 at 9:00 am, liability insurance through ATV Maine good until Sept. 1st, talked about municipal grants vs Dept. of Conservation Grant (municipal grant voids DOC grant and harder to get and less control over \$).

2. **Landowner permission;** Bert had gotten permissions done last summer-most were for 5 years-those with one year agreement were called and renewed their agreement for 2012.

3. **Markum Pond Bridge Update:** Bridge work is completed. Dan in process of working out an agreement for payment of work done. He will let Valley ATV Riders' treasurer know amount of our share.

4. **Signage of Trails:** always a work in progress. Trailmaster has completed some and it's ongoing.

5. **Ledges Siding Shelter Update:** Three walls are up but too low-Dan is in the process of acquiring more logs to build up-next possible dates for work are next Wed, Thurs, Sat., or Sun. June 13, 14, 16, or 17th. Will contact people as to which day when date is set.

6. **Membership**-another mailing: about 103 members at present time-Bert will do a second mailing with letter stresses importance of belonging to a club with liability insurance to ride on Irving Land.

7. **Marc Gagnon Metal signs;** 6 signs welcoming riders to Valley ATV Riders Trails-will bring to Steve Daigle and have appliqué placed on them.

8. **Opening trail dates:** may want to wait when Irving Woodlands Agreement is received and try to coordinate with other area trails in the future.

9. **The club needs to stress that access trails should only be used by the residents of that area to access the trails.**

Adjourn: 8:00 pm