

#### 4-2-13 Minutes for meeting of Valley ATV Riders

In attendance: Dan Nicolas, Don Ouellette, Mark Gagnon, Allan Dow, Phil Plourde, Leonard Pelletier, Arnold Dubois, Jim Thibodeau, and Bert Levesque. Began around 6:30 PM

1. Don Ouellette's Treasurer's Report-accepted as read.
2. Bert Levesque's Secretary's Report- accepted as read.
3. North Perley Brook-trail might need to be moved. Looking into the following possibilities: talk to following landowners and see what develops: Sherbey Morris, Alvin Deschaines, Pris Soucy, and J.D. Deschaines.
4. Tractor-tools and rules. Grant has been written and sent requesting money to buy backhoe and chipper to go with tractor and bucket and blade that Valley ATV Riders purchased last fall. It was agreed that anyone using tractor will undergo training to operate it. Bob Bonenfant of Roger's Sport Center has agreed to take an hour or two to explain operation of tractor to any member volunteer. A close record of all fuel, hours used, and work done will be recorded by all users.
5. Membership-Don Ouellette will check with town office for list of all registered ATVs in Fort Kent and membership forms and newsletter will be sent.
6. It was agreed that the red Valley ATV Riders sticker stamped for 2013 will be used until we run out and then the new stickers seen on the membership application will be used. If you already have an ATV of Maine sticker, that sticker is good forever and does not need to be renewed so please check you machine.
7. No decision was made on whether or not to accept the use of the Carter Brook Camp.
8. Handicap ride-will contact Bob and Jim Marquis to set a date for a ride similar to the ride done by the snowmobile club every year. Dan Nicolas will look into location and special equipment to make this possible. VATV Riders must fill out form for event.
9. UMFK Homecoming parade-was decided to try for ATV participation.
10. Trail Boss-Leonard Pelletier and Mark Gagnon are interested in positions.
11. Election of Officers-Every position is open-anyone interested please contact Bert at 231-4185 or any officer. Elections at next meeting. Check website: [valleyatvriders.com](http://valleyatvriders.com)
12. Trail maintenance-looking for trailer to set up watering tank along with calcium to abate dust on trails. An ongoing project to cut down on trail dust during dry periods.
13. Membership appreciation picnic-tentative date-Sunday, July 21, 2013 at the Ledges Siding shelter. More info on website or Bert's Corner.
14. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 7, 2013 @ 6:30 PM at Don Ouellette's on Station Hill in Fort Kent.
15. Adjourned around 7:50 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Bert Levesque, secretary of VATV Riders