

Town of Sutton
ATV/UTV Committee Meeting
May 1, 2019

Attendance: Clint Gray, Danielle Fortin, Adam Carleton, Jeannie Powers, Mark Hall, Shawn Waldron, Paul Brouha, Carol Brouha, Garrett & Kathy Keizer,

Clint opened the meeting at 6:00 PM.

Agenda Modifications:

None

Approval of Minutes:

Bob Tanner lives on Pudding Hill Rd, not Fiddlehead Lane.

Paul would like it noted that Mark talked to Danny Hale in last minutes and not make it sound like he was at the meeting.

Motion made to accept the changes by Paul. Shawn seconded.

Old Business:

Review of Ordinance after Lawyer approved it. Paul makes a comment that the new minutes need to be noted that the Board members approve the ordinance.

Ideas of future trails: The board members have mentioned to a few of the committee members that they would like to see more roads open than using landowners. Paul thought that our original goal was to use landowner property. Shawn has concerns as well as the Board members had not been to our meeting with Danny Hale.

Clint states that we move forward making safety our top priority.

Shawn wants to understand, how we get people from Wheelock road to Sheffield road without coming into the village. Clint says we need to open some roads so we can eliminate some of this. Good signage will help with this.

Mark went to NEK Wheelers meeting. Their biggest complaint was signage. They are re-signing their whole trail system. On Saturday they will be having a big Green-Up day on trails. Mark will be helping them.

Garrett asked how to get to these "corridors." How do I get to a corridor when I don't live near one? Do I have to trailer one to a trail or do they ride illegally? How has this changed? Clint states that this hasn't changed. We need to start discussing what roads to open to be able to get from point A to B.

Landowners may give written permission for individuals to ride through their private property but not necessarily want a trail. Shawn stated that we are here to help people who make it known that they want to get to a place where ATV's can be access trails in other towns legally.

Paul was asked if the zoning commission would put a question in the town survey asking residents if have or use ATV's so we had a better idea of where to start.

Clint is thinking from Fiddlehead Lane (look at the washout on the legal trail) to Chapman Rd up to South Ridge.

Paul wants us to contact and have a relationship with landowners and abutters. Clint agrees and says we don't want to shove anything onto townspeople because it will leave a bad taste in their mouth. And this is also why we suggested the annual review in the ordinance.

Mark and Adam spoke with Bob, new owner of Guzman's, and he first agreed to let us have a trail and then he backed out.

New Business:

Areas to update on Ordinance within the year: looking at trails from Sheffield/ Wheelock to Route 5. Next year look at North Ridge area. Thinking this may be a three year process.

Assignments for contacting property owners-future trails: Clint would like to break it up into sections so we aren't having multiple committee members talking to the same landowners.

Mark will take the legal trail by the Station Rd.

Clint would take South Ridge Rd. and Ryan Simpson.

Jeannie and Adam will talk to Seymour's and owners of properties on Four Corners Rd and Morey Rd.

Paul would be willing to speak with Belanger's.

Clint and Mark will speak with Mark's neighbors.

Correspondence:

Have not received any.

Next meeting will be held June 5 at 6 Pm.

Mark made a motion to adjourn. Jeannie seconded.

Meeting closed at 7:35 PM.

Minutes taken by
Danielle Fortin