

## **Skedaddle Ridge Trails People Inc. Member Meeting April 30, 2026**

Held at The Mount Pleasant Community Center with 39 members in attendance

Called to order at 7 pm

The minutes of the last meeting were read and on a motion by Allison and seconded by Andre were accepted as read.

No treasurer's report was available

### Old Business

- Club trailer is ready for the season, needs to be picked up from Mark's place. Discussed possible uses for the trailer other than just one event per year
- Spring Rally: few items remaining to be assigned
- Raffle tickets are ready, several members have some for sale as well as online
- Andre gave a recap of the trade show, feedback and interest was positive, suggested a display such as digital slideshow if we choose to do it in future years

### New Business

- We were successful in our application for the Polaris Trails Grant, being awarded \$10,000 towards the resurfacing of Big Teague Bridge. Details of the requirements for the grant program were discussed.
- Trails Update: the wind farm construction is under way, most rerouted trails have been approved with one exception on 5106 that runs through a legacy nature preserve. DNR to verify the trail in question. Possible to ask Irving to create an alternate route if it would be quicker. Pokiok trail 5108 requires work, Jacques from QuadNB will do a site visit once conditions are drier to assess any WAWA requirements. Scheduled work day will proceed on Saturday, May 2, meeting at Howard Brook parking lot. DNR work permits were available for those who will be using chainsaws.
- AGM recap: Sarah provided the review of the AGM. Roland Theriault elected president, Kent MacDonald elected secretary. The GNB budget has an increase of \$4 to the cost of ORV registration which does not get forwarded to QuadNB. Organization to explore an additional \$4 increase that goes into the trust fund for clubs. Off-road vehicle act to be open for review fall of 2026 which allows for any request for change, such as the recognition of trail permits from other jurisdictions (i.e. PEI, NS, etc.)
- Railbed update: WNBSC study recommends shared use for motorized vehicles from Perth to Pembroke, with road access detours around the 3 community centres (Bath, Bristol, Florenceville). Some safety concerns have been raised for road sections specifically for quad riders. The application must now be approved by 3 ministers – DNR, DTI, and Public Safety. Connections to business and existing trails would be managed via bylaw or HUP applications at a future date.

### Regional Director Update

- No changes to the status of the agreement with Maine. River Valley club is exploring options to connect their existing trail in Centreville to Perth on the west side of the river, discussions with landowners are ongoing.

### Open Floor

- Juniper Fire Department is holding a Fireman's Breakfast at the fire hall Saturday, May 16

Alex White won the 50/50

Meeting adjourned 8:40 pm