



Special Lee County UTV Committee Meeting

Minutes

Lee County, Illinois

May 27, 2022 at 3:00 PM CDT

Old Lee County Courthouse, Third Floor Boardroom, 112 E 2nd St, Dixon, IL 61021

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 p.m., by Chair Jack Skrogstad.

II. Roll Call - Chair Jack Skrogstad, Tom Wilson, Danielle Allen, Kasey Considine, Keane Hudson

Tom Wilson was absent. All other members were present in person.

III. Visitors

John Nicholson (County Board Vice Chairman) and Mark Cecchetti.

IV. Approval of Minutes from the Previous Meeting - (November 1, 2021)

The minutes from the November 1, 2021, UTV Committee Meeting were approved without modification.

V. Old Business

A. UTV Ordinance Discussion

Jack Skrogstad explained that many of the towns in Lee County currently have UTV ordinances that they abide by. The committee will be reaching out to these cities in the near future to make sure the proposed Lee County Ordinance can be merged with their ordinance.

VI. New Business

A. TOIRMA Township Letter and outcome of Chair Meeting with TOIRMA

Jack Skrogstad provided all the committee members with a letter from TOIRMA (Township Officials of Illinois Risk Management Association) which cautioned their members that "these types of vehicles create liability and exposure" and they do not recommend that their members authorize such vehicles. Jack felt that the cautionary statements from TOIRMA were the major reason more townships had not adopted the ordinance.

B. Current County Map of Participating Townships

Jack Skrogstad provided the committee with a map that highlighted the following information:

- Townships highlighted in green had signed an ordinance allowing UTV's on their roadways
- The cities throughout the county were highlighted in orange
- County roads were highlighted in blue
- Eight (8) townships (Palmyra, Dixon, South Dixon, Ashton, Bradford, Willow Creek, Hamilton and Sublette) of the twenty-two (22) Townships in Lee County had signed an ordinance allowing the operation of UTV's on their roadways.
- If the ordinance was passed including only the townships in green, travel between townships would only be allowed on the roads highlighted in blue and these road would have to be posted.

C. Committee Consensus Regarding Next Step

Motion to pursue the draft ordinance with Lee County Townships and Cities.

Moved by Kasey Considine. **Second** by Danielle Allen.

Following discussion, Kasey amended his previous motion to the following:

Motion to send the UTV Ordinance to the County Board for approval. **Moved** by Kasey Considine. **Second** by Danielle Allen.

Because the UTV Committee is an ad hoc committee of the Public Safety Committee, Kasey amended his previous motion to the following:

Motion to send the UTV Ordinance to the Public Safety Committee for approval. **Moved** by Kasey Considine. **Second** by Danielle Allen. **Motion** passed unanimously by voice vote.

VII. Executive Session

There was no request for an executive session.

VIII. Next Meeting

No additional meetings were scheduled.

IX. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 3:23 p.m. **Moved** by Kasey Considine. **Second** by Danielle Allen.

Motion passed unanimously by voice vote.