

Jane Severt

From: Zatopa, Patricia J. [Patricia.Zatopa@dnr.state.wi.us]
Sent: Friday, February 17, 2006 2:51 PM
To: Jane Severt
Subject: RE: ATV Clubhouse

Hi Jane,

We were invited to snowshoe tonight, but I'm not so sure. Still haven't made it to Underdown so hope the snow sticks around.

First of all, a clubhouse is absolutely not an eligible item under the ATV grant program neither is an equipment storage building.

The Langlade County one kind of was slipped by me. It was approved and grant agreement written as an open shelter building. By the time I was informed about the morph into an enclosed clubhouse and it had been constructed, the County had already incurred the financial liability. Apparently the club took it upon themselves to make the changes. Rather than leaving the County holding the bag (Steve Jackson had just come in as CFA after the building was up), I approved payment. This was an exception and will not be tolerated in the future. So I would recommend you not take the time to submit an application.

Your concerns seem legitimate and good questions for the County to ask itself. I believe they'd be internal policies but perhaps Jeff Barkley could offer some guidance.

For the second proposal, are you thinking of this as a project for 2007? Sounds like a lot more field work needs to occur before an application is put together. Also, I doubt the ORV Council would want to invest in support facilities for a trail of only 3 miles of off-road trail. They don't want to encourage road routes. Hope this helps.

Give me a call if you want to talk about it more.

Have a good weekend!

Pat

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Dear Pat Zatopa,

This letter is intended to clarify an e-mail you sent to Jane Sievert dated Feb 17, 2006 in which you inferred that our club, The Parrish Highlander ATV Club, had done something illegal when we assisted Langlade County in the building of a shelter (not a club house). Our club has assumed the maintenance (cleaning the bathrooms, stocking and grass cutting). We have never held a meeting there. Our meetings are held at the Parrish Town Hall and always have been since our inception in 1999.

When the shelter was built, we cleared all aspects of it's construction with Mike Zahotski who was the Forrest Administrator at the time. If you visit the shelter, you will find a sign on the door that invites all forest user groups to "use and enjoy". This sign has been in place since it was built.

I am surprised that you weren't aware of this information, since it is your job.

In the future, please allow me an opportunity to defend myself or any of the organizations that I represent before judgments are passed.

Sincerely,

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