

**TOWN OF PLEASANT VALLEY**  
**St. Croix County, Wisconsin**  
**All-Terrain Vehicle and Utility Terrain Vehicle Routes Ordinance**

**SECTION 1 - TITLE AND PURPOSE**

The title of this Ordinance is the All-Terrain Vehicle ("ATV") and Utility Terrain Vehicle ("UTV") Routes Ordinance. The purpose of this Ordinance is to establish ATV and UTV Routes in the Town of Pleasant Valley ("Town") and to regulate the operation of ATVs and UTVs in the Town per Wis. Stat. § 23.33.

**SECTION 2 - AUTHORITY**

The Town Board, St. Croix County, Wisconsin, ("Town") adopts this Ordinance by authority of Wis. Stat. § 23.33.

**SECTION 3 - APPLICABILITY OF ATV LAW TO UTV**

The provisions of this Ordinance apply equally to ATVs and UTVs.

**SECTION 4 - OPERATION OF ATVs and UTVs**

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 23.33, except as otherwise provided in Wis. Stat. § 23.33(4), no person may operate an ATV or UTV on the roadway portion of any highway in the Town except on roadways that are designated as ATV and UTV routes by this Ordinance. Operation of ATV and UTVs on a roadway in the Town that is an ATV and UTV Route is authorized only for the extreme right side of the roadway except that left turns may be made from any part of the roadway that is safe given prevailing conditions. On paved roadways ATVs and UTVs must be operated on the paved portion of the roadway and not on the gravel shoulder.

**SECTION 5 - DESIGNATION OF ATV AND UTV ROUTES**

The ATV and UTV Routes are attached as Addendum A.

**SECTION 6 - CONDITIONS APPLICABLE TO ATV AND UTV [AND UTILITY TERRAIN VEHICLE] ROUTES**

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 23.33, the following restrictions are placed on the use of the Town ATV and UTV Routes designated in this Ordinance:

- A. Routes shall be marked with uniform ATV and UTV Route signs in accordance with § NR 64.12, Wisconsin Administrative Code. No person may do any of the following in regard to signs marking Town ATV and UTV Routes:
  - 1. Intentionally remove, damage, deface, move, or obstruct any uniform ATV and UTV Route or trail sign or standard or intentionally interfere with the effective operation of any uniform ATV and UTV Route or trail sign or standards if the sign or standard is legally placed by the state, any municipality, or any authorized individual.

2. Possess any uniform ATV and UTV Route or trail sign or standard of the types established by the department for the warning, instruction, or information of the public, unless he or she obtained the uniform ATV and UTV Route or trail sign or standard in a lawful manner. Possession of a uniform ATV and UTV Route or trail sign or standard creates a reasonable presumption of illegal possession.
- B. Operation shall be subject to all provisions of Wis. Stat. § 23.33, which is incorporated as a part of this Ordinance by reference, except where the regulations in this Ordinance are more restrictive, this Ordinance shall apply.
  - C. A copy of this Ordinance shall be sent by the Town Clerk to the St. Croix County Sheriff's Department, and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR).
  - D. In addition to the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 23.33, the following restrictions are in place for operators on the Town ATV and UTV Routes designated by this Ordinance.
    1. All ATV/UTV operators shall observe a speed limit of not more than 35 MPH or the posted roadway speed limit, whichever is lower.
    2. All ATV/UTV operators shall ride single file.
    3. The allowed hours of operation shall be 24 hours.
    4. Access to the ATV/UTV route shall only be at established driveways.
    5. All ATV/UTV operators or occupants 18 years old and under shall wear helmets.
    6. Lights must be on at all times.
    7. Designated Town road ATV/UTV routes will be open to use year round.
    8. All ATV/UTV operators born on or after January 1, 1988, shall possess a valid state issued ATV/UTV Safety Certificate.
    9. All ATV operators between 12 to 15 years of age must be accompanied by an adult while operating on a designated ATV/UTV Route.
    10. Approved hand signals shall be required whenever the operator intends to change speed or direction.
    11. On all roads shared with another jurisdiction the most restrictive Ordinance shall apply.
    12. Anyone under the age of twelve (12) cannot operate an ATV and anyone under sixteen (16) cannot operate an UTV on a road or route under any circumstances.

## SECTION 7 - ENFORCEMENT

This Ordinance may be enforced by any law enforcement officer authorized to enforce the laws of the State of Wisconsin.

## SECTION 8- PENALTIES

The penalties in Wis. Stat. § 23.33 are adopted by reference.

## SECTION 9 - SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of this Ordinance that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Ordinance are severable.

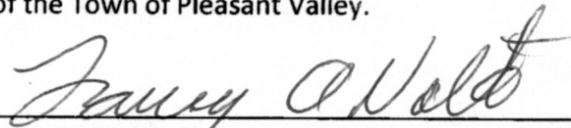
## SECTION 10- EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance is effective the day after proper publication or posting by the Clerk and shall remain in effect for a trial period of one year after the ATV/UTV route signs are properly posted by authorized persons. The Ordinance expires after that year. This Ordinance may also be rescinded at any time by a majority vote of the Town Board.

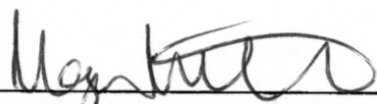
The Town Clerk shall properly publish this Ordinance as required under Wis. Stat. § 60.80.

Adopted this 8 day of Dec., 2020, by a majority vote of the Town Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley.

Board of the Town of Pleasant Valley.

  
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Larry Nolte, Town Chair

Attest:

  
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Megan Miller, Town Clerk

**ADDENDUM A**

List of Roads for ATV and UTV Routes:

60<sup>th</sup> Avenue from 170<sup>th</sup> to County Road T

172<sup>nd</sup> Street from 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue

All Town Roads  
Open for ATV-UTV  
2-9-2021

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