

Town of Perry
Minutes of Public Hearing
ATV/UTV Routes and Regulations Ordinance
Perry Town Hall
Tuesday, September 8, 2026

1. Call to order. Chairman Roger Kittleson called the public hearing to order at 7:01 PM. Supervisors Mick Klein Kennedy and Ken Hefty and Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie Zwettler were present. Also in attendance: Chad Hefty, Nick Urumoglu, Mark Eastman, Michele Kittleson, Steve Meassick, Kelly McCarthy, Aaron Skogen, Doug King, Mike Samuel, Grieg and Paula Stanton, Terry Miller, Jeff Anderson, Jim and Cindy Way, Nicole Espe, and Dale Judd.
2. Comments – ATV/UTV Routes and Regulations Ordinance.
 - Paula Stanton spoke in opposition, citing pedestrian and bicyclist safety, increased traffic on narrow town roads with limited shoulders, potential effects on property values, ATV operating hours, and impaired driving.
 - Mike Samuel requested that the ordinance place greater emphasis on ATV/UTV use for agricultural purposes.
 - Steve Meassick opposed the ordinance, citing no economic or local benefit, increased traffic and noise, and safety concerns involving blind driveways. He opined that agricultural use is acceptable, but recreational use has no place on town roads.
 - Doug King had submitted a letter to the Town Board addressing noise limits for amplified vehicles and ATV/UTV mufflers. He raised concerns about the pace of the ordinance approval process, ATV operating hours, bar-to-bar travel from Blue Mounds, Mount Vernon, New Glarus, and Mount Horeb, and enforcement of the ordinance. He asked whether a survey or flyer could be mailed to measure public interest.
 - Aaron Skogen of the Pecatonica Valley ATV Club noted that the Village of New Glarus prohibits ATVs, so ATV riders are not traveling from bars in that direction. He said county roads may only be opened after a petition is filed and a town ordinance is adopted, while approval for a state highway is unlikely.
 - Kelly McCarthy opposed the ordinance, stating that many residents are unaware of the proposal, that town roads are to support residents'

livelihoods, and are not for recreation, and that the roads should remain safe for elderly and young drivers.

- Ken Hefty responded that the proposed ordinance has appeared on the town agenda for three months. He added that bicyclists are often less visible than ATVs and may also create speed and blind-driveway-related safety concerns.
3. Adjourn. Mark Eastman moved and Michele Kittleson seconded a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Motion carried. The public hearing was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Stephanie Zwettler, Clerk-Treasurer