

**RUSK COUNTY**

| ROLL CALL Board Members | AYE (Yes) | NAY (No) | Abstain / Excused |
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| 1. Terry DuSell | | | |
| 2. Jerry Biller | | | |
| 3. Alan Rathsack | | | |
| 4. Anthony Hauser | | | |
| 5. Kathy Vacho | | | |
| 6. Robert Stout | | | |
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| 9. Bill McBain Sr. | | | |
| 10. Kenneth Pedersen | | | |
| 11. Philip Schneider | | | |
| 12. Roger Gierke | | | |
| 13. Mark Schmitt | | | |
| 14. Karl Fisher | | | |
| 15. Thomas Hanson | | | |
| 16. Kathleen Mai | | | |
| 17. David Willingham | | | |
| 18. Michael Hraban | | | |
| 19. Ken Brown | | | |
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BOARD ACTION

Vote Required: Majority Vote of a Quorum _____

Motion to Approve _____

Adopted ☐

1st _____

Defeated ☐

2nd _____

No: _____ Yes: _____ Exc: _____

Reviewed by: _____

_____, Corp. Counsel

Reviewed by: _____

_____, Auditor

**FISCAL IMPACT: (Note if there is
an fiscal impact or not)****Certification:**

I, Loren Beebe, Clerk of Rusk County, hereby
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of
a resolution that was adopted on the ____ day of ____
____, 2010 by the Rusk County Board of
Supervisors.

Loren Beebe
County Clerk, Rusk County

Resolution No.**ATVs/UTVs – US Hwy 8 Bridge Crossing over the Chippewa
River****TO THE RUSK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:**

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. s. 23.33 allows all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and utility terrain vehicles (UTVs) to be operated on state highways in certain instances.; and

WHEREAS, Wis. Stat. s. 23.33 (4) (d) 3.b and 11(am)3, allows ATVs and UTVs to operate on the roadway or shoulder of a state highway to cross a bridge 1,000 feet or less in length if a town, village or city AND a county BOTH enact an ordinance to authorize the operation of ATVs on a state highway bridge that is not an interstate highway, is 1,000 feet or less in length, and is located within the territorial boundaries of the town, village or city and county.; and

WHEREAS, when a request for ATVs and UTVs to cross a state highway bridge meets Wis. Stat. s. 23.33 (4) (d) 3.b and 11(am)3 the request will not be subject to WisDOT approval.; and

WHEREAS, under the law, ATVs and UTVs must exit the highway as quickly and safely as practicable after crossing the bridge. WisDOT defines this as the first available road on either side of the bridge that is not a dead end, or an ATV trail on WisDOT right-of-way that is established after crossing the bridge, in which ATVs and UTVs may operate.; and

WHEREAS, ATV and UTV route signs are required on state highways in order for ATVs to legally operate on them. A traffic signing permit is also required from WisDOT. County Highway Departments will install the signs following the Wisconsin manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (WMUTCD).; and

WHEREAS, there is currently no way for ATVs and UTVs to cross over the Chippewa River at US Highway 8 from connecting designated ATV routes; and

WHEREAS, the county provides for recreational use of ATVs on county highways within the county.; and

WHEREAS, currently snowmobiles safely and efficiently cross the US Highway 8 bridge over the Chippewa River.; and

WHEREAS, If authorized, the Chippewa River Bridge on US Highway 8 West would act as the connector from the designated ATV route in the Town of Thornapple, east side of the bridge, to the designated ATV route in the Village of Bruce, west side of the bridge; and

WHEREAS, there is no other way to safely cross the river to connect these two ATV routes.

1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Rusk County Board
2 of Supervisors does hereby authorize ATVs and UTVs over the US Highway
3 8 Bridge over the Chippewa River, contingent on written approval by
4 resolution from the Town of Thornapple and the Village of Bruce. Allowing
5 ATVs and UTVs to be able to enter and leave the Village of Bruce, and
6 creating a safe connector for the subject ATV routes in the Town of
7 Thornapple and the Village of Bruce. Costs for signing and shoulder
8 improvement to be paid for by the ATV Clubs.
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10 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that Rusk County
11 Ordinance 46-37(a) amendment, a copy of which is attached hereto and
12 made a part of, is adopted.
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SUBMITTED BY:
(Highway Committee)

Jerry Biller, Chairman

Lyle Lieftring

Mike Hraban

Robert Stout

Ken Pedersen

ORDINANCE 2018 – OF THE ORDINANCES FOR THE COUNTY OF RUSK.

THE COUNTY BOARD OF RUSK COUNTY DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

Section 46-37(a) Of the Rusk County Code regarding All-Terrain Vehicles Routes in the County is hereby amended as follows:

46-37(a) shall have section (48) added to read as follows:

(48) the Chippewa River Bridge on USH 8 shall be designated as an ATV/UTV route, provided all of the following apply;

(i) ATV/UTV users cross the bridge in the most direct manner practicable and at a place where no obstruction prevents a quick and safe crossing staying on the designated route as stated below:

Designated Route:

From Sawdust Road in the Town of Thornapple, ATVs/UTVs must enter USH 8 traveling west towards the bridge and traveling with the direction of the traffic and must exit USH 8 after crossing the bridge at the entrance to Dairy Concepts where the existing snowmobile trail connects.

From Dairy Concepts driveway entrance, ATVs/UTVs must enter USH 8 traveling east towards the bridge, traveling with the direction of the traffic and must exit USH 8 at Sawdust Road after crossing the bridge.

(ii) Always travel on the pavement of USH 8 when traveling to and from the Chippewa River Bridge moving with the direction of the traffic.

This ordinance shall take effect upon the date of publication as provided in Section 61.50, Wisconsin Statutes.