

ROCK COUNTY ALLIANCE OF SNOWMOBILE CLUBS

January 8, 2020

Call to Order: at Maintenance Building by President Erica Keehn

Roll Call: Alliance officers present: Erica Keehn, Kate Fuchs, Jackie Olson, Steve Fausnaugh. 8 clubs present, missing Oak Ridge Riders.

Secretary's Report: On file in the secretary's book. Motion to accept by Rod Burzinski, seconded by Mark Hubka, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Copies of the treasurer's report were distributed. Jackie Olson read it, a copy is on file in the secretary's book. Scott Johnson made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Everett Reese seconded it, motion carried.

Pay Bills: Bills were presented for payment. Shaun Eberdt made a motion to pay the bills as presented. Levi Olson seconded it, motion carried.

AWSC Director's Report: As many have heard there were 3 snowmobiles that went through Lake Nakomis in early January, please be smart, be safe, the lakes can be sketchy, stay on marked trails. The Director's meeting was held on 1/5 at Lakewoods Resort in Cable, WI. There was great representation from Rock County. President Dave Newman passed along a message of thanks to all clubs for the great work that has been done with the interesting weather conditions we have had to face this year. For the AWSC \$10 trail passes, currently 51K have been sold for this season, compared to 64K total sold for last season. To make things easier of the AWSC office please make sure that your AWSC registration matches the name(s) on your snowmobile registrations. 100 GPS units have been sent out and are being put into effect. If there are issues on a trail, try adding safety cones in addition to the caution tape, it is easier to notice and quicker to show caution needed. Sam Landes is working with the DOT on the 40' rule. We are also working on the Chapter 20 funding, the current cap is \$2.47 million, hoping to increase to \$5.4 million, by increasing this cap the additional funds now coming in due to trail pass will go to snowmobiling, not to other funds. (AB692 / SB623) Thank you to all who have reached out to legislators, they are aware of us and willing to be behind this since we have reached out. A reminder the AWSC membership dues is \$12 per membership (single or family), this increase was due to the budget and trying to cover costs for the AWSC. Convention will be in Middleton, WI 3/20-3/22. We encourage all to attend. If anyone needs to get a hold of Rod his number is 608-207-0065.

Trail Report: Most of the trail is in, waiting on a few clubs as there is crop and water issues. Trail may be slightly different than previous years due to slight moves. Currently the trails are not open. Thanks to all who have gotten the new leases, you are making Everett's life easy. Milton on 59, there are signs on powerline poles that needs to be removed. Make sure that signs are ONLY on Alliance or Club provided poles. For discing around the area, we need better coordination, try to share equipment, etc. We will continue to try to work towards better ways of getting all of this done. GPS equipment has been ordered and encountered a delivery delay, we hope to have them soon. With potential of snow we hope to get them installed and

still be able to use them this year. Fingers crossed installation is as easy as they say, we hope to have them installed prior to the next meeting. Let Everett know if you need more leases. PLEASE get SNARS information entered and sent up so Everett can approve it so we can have money coming in from the county.

The new Rock County Sheriff that will be working the recreation side of things (Snowmobile boat, etc.) is Eric. There was a citizen report about the trail that runs along Burdick Road (2634-2709 Burdick Road) there is a trail that runs over a culvert, caution ahead coming from one direction, but not the other, they would like to see additional caution signs to prevent issues.

President's Report: The Snowmobile Friendly Community deadline is 1/10, if you have any questions on this committee please contact Erica. Attended the Directors meeting, great to be out sledding and seeing the AWSC family. The AWSC office has been receiving lots of phone calls, most of these questions can be answered via their website (www.awsc.org) or by talking with your County director and Rep (Rod and Erica), please reach out in one of these ways prior to reaching out to the AWSC office. Please make sure that the information shared at the Alliance meetings is getting back to your clubs, communication is key to keeping everything moving forward. I hope that everyone has a safe and happy riding season!

Groomer Report: Tracks for the north groomer are in Edgerton. It was a great county effort and awesome to see the volunteer turnout to get it accomplished. South and West Groomers are basically ready, West Groomer still needs chains put on.

Youth Advisor Report: Rachyl, Lynsey, and Tia attended the Director's meeting in Lakewoods. Rachyl attended the magazine breakout session, watch out for some upcoming updates to the magazine. The annual KAOS ride will be held again in Lakewood, WI 2/7-2/9, the ride will be in memory of Dave Peterson, former Langlade County Director as he was instrumental in helping KAOS have this ride. The KAOS board elections will also be held at this meeting. 3/20-3/22 will be the AWSC Convention in Middleton, WI, the KAOS group will have a bus trip to a trampoline park, the silent auction will also benefit KAOS. ISC will be from 6/10-6/13 in Regina, Saskatchewan Canada, there will be 6 KAOS members in attendance including Lynsey, Rachyl, and Tia. Thank you to the Alliance and the Rock County Clubs for your support of KAOS. Any one with donations please let us know and we would be happy to grab them before the Convention.

Old Business: Still waiting on the weather to get the Morris Nelson memorial finished. We received some great donations from multiple sources for trail mainenance. A motion was made by Scott Johnson and seconded by Shaun Eberdt to give a \$200 gift card donation to each of the operators that donated their time, two operators. Motion carried.

New Business:

Announcements:

Feb 5, Alliance meeting, Country Riders, 7:00 pm at Orfordville American Legion

Jan 25, Clinton Fencehoppers vintage Ride, weather permitting, registration at 10, ride at 12

Mar 4, Alliance meeting, Evansville Sno-Devils

Safety Courses

January 18th

February 25th

Shaun Eberdt made a motion to adjourn. Rod Burzinski seconded it, motion carried. Thanks to the Clinton Fencehoppers for providing snacks.

Submitted,

Kate Fuchs
Secretary