

ROCK COUNTY ALLIANCE OF SNOWMOBILE CLUBS

September 2, 2020

Call to Order: at Maintenance Building, Clinton, by President Erica Keehn

Roll Call: Alliance officers present: Erica Keehn, Steve Fausnaugh, Jackie Olson, Kate Fuchs. 7 Clubs present; Absent, Oak Ridge Riders

Erica gave a recap of the last few months of what has been going on. Sundowners sent an email to remove themselves from the Alliance in Feb. She tried to keep all in the loop via email on what was going on with these events and decisions that were being made keeping the best interests of the Alliance and keeping snowmobiling in Rock County. As of this meeting, we do not yet have a contract with Rock County. At the parks meeting in July it was discussed that the County was just looking to keep things status quo.

Secretary's Report: A copy is on file in Secretary's book Motion by Scott J second by Matt A to accept Secretaries report.

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. Mark Hubka made a motion to accept the report for the months of May – August, this was seconded by Shaun Eberdt, motion carried. Brian Gray brought up that Sundowner Landowner checks, they are now past the 90 days, Jackie and Brian will work it out to get this fixed and distributed.

Pay Bills: Bills were presented for payment. A motion was made by Rodney Burzinski to pay the bills, seconded by Dan Cullen motion carried.

Directors Report: The magazines have arrived so good things are on the way. Workshop has been canceled, Directors and Reps will have a meeting on Oct 24th. The drawing will be held at this meeting for the AWSC raffle. Reminder – memberships ended 6/30, start to get membership turned in. Remember to give out the information from our Alliance meetings to the clubs, reach out if anyone has any questions, also visit www.awsc.org, lot of great information was there. Reminder, your magazine has your AWSC membership number in the address label.

Trail Report: Everett Reese, gave the trail report. Sign orders have arrived, if you ordered signs get with Everett to pick them up. Rock County Snowblowers are looking at trails that may run via DNR land & Hendricks property, to have a different way to cross over Townline. Issue potentially with land, due to signs not getting pulled in time.

President's Report: Thank you to all who were able to attend, and thank you for your continued support of snowmobiling in Rock County. Erica was appointed to be on the Governors Snowmobile Rec Council, and is excited for this new opportunity.

Groomer Report: We currently have two groomers in the building – both the North and South Groomer. We were able to recover the North Groomer and drag after Sundowners removed themselves from the Alliance. South groomer and drag are in good shape. North Groomer, needs bogies, issue with spring, replace tracks (on a trailer with us). North Drag, needs a new rear pan, beacon is missing, needs wiring redone, paint, got new tires installed to get it here. Hoping we have a resolution on having a contract with Rock County to maintain and groom trails. Sundowners have taken it upon themselves to remove contracts with Rock County with their landowner leases being canceled. Sundowners have let the county know, and have also asked to have a contract with them as well. The Parks Dept almost had a special meeting to potentially not do the automatic renewal of our contract. The Alliance needs to do something to show the County that we want this contract and want to keep things with good favor with the County and the Alliance. Erica has a letter drafted for tonight to show our support in keeping this relationship going. We need to verify the contract with the County, once we have that, then we need to work on the trail system. We need as many to attend the County Parks Dept meeting on September 8th as possible (8am at the Public Works building or via zoom). Is it worthwhile to have members contact the Parks Board, at this time it may be more hurtful vs beneficial – if we do not get the contract, we should call, email, letter write to show our support of the Alliance. Currently the only property the Sundowners still hold is the signs which belong to Rock County, all Alliance owned property has been returned. Discussion on foam filling tires

of North Drag, consensus is to wait until an issue happens at this time. Steve F brought up front axle came off of West Groomer, can we look into cost to get a new front end/axle for Tractor. Per Levi, should be cheaper to weld on new axles, will also need new Ram and hoses. Off the top estimate would be \$1500 for new front end. (Axe, tire and hubs approx \$300/ea). Tracks going to be put on groomer, yes, what is the work date for this project - We need 12 bogies ordered (\$300/ea) prior to putting on new tracks. Mark Hubka will weld on new pan. Don Myers make a motion to purchase the bogie wheels cutting blades, pan, hardware, and light and wiring harness and sandblasting, new paint, decals and beacon. Scott Johnson seconded. Motion carried.

Youth Advisor Report: Rachyl and Tia sent a report, sadly they were not able to attend. Thank you to the Alliance for all of your support. We attended the KAOS camping event, hoping to grow this function to get more in attendance and get our network reach out even further. Oakdale Club and STMC supplied food and bus ride. Great to be able to catch up with the Snowmobile family. Next even 2/12-2/14 KAOS snowmobile trip. Our KAOS reps will be moving into Advisor positions, we will have open Representative positions open, please let us know if you have youth that want to get involved.

Old Business: Map Ads – if we need more spots please work with Brian Gray, but due to ongoing issues we may have more spots available. There are approximately 20 spaces that would have been part of Sundowners ads.

Please return map ads by October meeting.

Fundraisers, continue to bring ideas to Alliance meetings.

New Business:

Open nominations for officers. We will have nominations again next month, along with the election.

President: Erica Keehn

Vice President: Steve Fausanaugh

Treasurer: Jackie Olson

Secretary: Kate Fuchs

Letter to the Parks Board was drafted by Erica to show the cohesiveness of the 8 remaining clubs within the Alliance; that we are committed to working together and want to renew the contract with the County. We are asking to have a rep from each club sign this letter to show allegiance.

Non-Stock card, should we move our listed Registered Agent to Duffy Dillon to have them be our registered agent vs having an Alliance Agent. Harold Dettinger made a motion to move the registered agent to Attorney Duffy, Don Myers seconded.

Talked with Donnie about the Alliance providing a special gift in Diane's memory, he suggested a Red Maple the Alliance will cover this cost.

Announcements:

9/5 – Celebration of Life for Diane Meyer – Memorial at 1pm at Donnie's House

9/11-9/13 – WCSD Swap Meet – Eagle River, WI

10/24-AWSC Directors Meeting – Red Lion Paper Valley, Appleton, WI

Oct 7, Alliance Meeting, Rock County Snowblowers, Clinton Groomer Shed

Nov 4, Alliance Meeting, Clinton Clubhouse (discuss what club will host at Oct meeting)

Rodney Burzinski made a motion to adjourn. Shaun Eberdt seconded it, motion carried.

Submitted,

Kate Fuchs
Secretary