

## Minutes from October 15, 2020 Meeting

### Sundowners Snowmobile Club

**Call To Order:** 7:05pm at Creekview by President Richard Plautz

**Roll Call:** 29 members present. Elected and appointed positions as follows....

President Richard Plautz yes; Vice President Robbie Koepp yes; Secretary Kurt Birkett yes; Treasurer Jim McCue yes; Directors Mike Shumaker yes, Tim Weber yes, Charlie Rusch yes, James Rece yes, John Sweeney no, Aaron Lenox yes

Trail Bosses: John Sweeney no; Mike Shumaker yes; Jim Swon yes; Kurt Birkett yes; Tim Weber yes; Mike Bentheimer yes; Rollie Amundson no; Charles Hendrickson no; Jarrod Bublitz no; Robbie Koepp yes; Archer Radke yes; Brendt Keinbaum no; Aaron Lenox yes; Craig Phillips no; Jamie Shelley no

**Secretaries Report:** Thanked Kathy Amundson for all her work on gathering our donations since 1971. Close to \$50,000 with over \$11,500 going to the Alliance alone. I passed around the report for all to see. Mentioned to keep recruiting new members and for current members to renew soon before the snow flies. Report Accepted

**Treasures Report:** Jim discussed the balances in the Bank account and the PayPal account. Jim and Kurt performed a self-audit of the clubs spreadsheet comparing our credits and debits to the bank account statements on Oct 12, 2020. The balances matched and everything seems correct. Mike Shumaker made a motion to accept the results of the self-audit and Steve Hanewell seconded. The need to start fund raising was mentioned. As soon as the chip draws start up, we can start having meat raffles again, stated Nicki. Jim also mentioned he would check into our raffle license and make sure its current. Report Accepted

**Presidents Report:** Richard expressed his gratitude to the board and elected officials for all the work they have performed on the Alliance departure. Richard mentioned that he is proud of his tenure as our president. The club gave Richard a round of applause and thanked him for doing a great job. He also stated that our donation to gifts for kids will have to be later this fall. Richard mentioned the need to start fund raising. Richard mentioned the legal fees we are incorporating with the Alliance departure. Richard mentioned that we need to look at other options on our annual Christmas party expenditures this year.

**Trail Report:** A discussion about the desire to have perfectly marked trails this year. We have six entry points into the Sundowners trail system. Big metal signs were purchased stating "Welcome to Sundowners" they will be placed at the trailheads. Kurt mentioned that he reached out to the Janesville Club about where our trails meet around the Manogue Road area. The Downing family has been like family to us and we will start our trail from the south at their property line. Janesville Snow Chiefs are happy with the new location and look forward to working with us.

**Old Business:** Morris Nelson's memorial will be finished in two weeks the contractor stated. We are planning to reach out to the snowmobile world and have a day that we display it at Conroy's in Indianford. Then as soon as the crops come off, we will place the memorial on our trail west of town heading towards Evansville with some big equipment. It will weigh approximately 4000 pounds. It will be beautiful, it will be awesome, it will be incredible, it will be the best, it will be glorious, it will be better than you ever expected, and it will Make Snowmobiling Great Again ;)

**New Business:** Kurt compiled a master list of landowners with addresses. The list is going to our insurance company Schwartz & Shea and they are going to add each owner as additional insured. Shoes mentioned that these new insurance additions will have more coverage than what we use to offer our landowners. We plan to deliver these in person with a cover letter explaining the change and thanking them. Robbie mentioned that he will look into getting a guns and cash raffle going soon. Shoes mentioned maybe getting a radar run going in Jan or Feb.

**Announcements:** We are going back to our regular meeting schedule of the first Thursday of the month. Next meeting will be Nov. 5 at Creekview 7pm.

**Adjournment:** 8:25pm