December 1st, 2013

DEAR CLUB MEMBERS:

The November meeting held at Lakeview, had 42 members present.

Roll call was taken with the President, Vice President, Secretary and 3 board members present.

Secretary Reports read.

PRESIDENT REPORT:

Richard spoke about the things he learned while attending the AWSC workshop in Stevens Point.

Cathy Stepp of the DNR gave a presentation and described how the DNR has to be operated as a business and that they are here to represent us as snowmobilers.

More revenue has to be generated to keep the snowmobile program prospering and that is one of the many reasons why the CAP / Step bill has to go forward and pass into law.

Did you know that only 25% of the snowmobilers in the state are club members? Did you also know that if there were no snowmobile clubs in the state there would be no snowmobile trails? There is a misconception in the real world, that the DNR is the ones who put in the trail system, but we all know different.

ALLIANCE REPORT:

The STEP / CAP bill had a legislative hearing at the capital on November 13th to gain support for the bill and explain to the Legislatures how our sport is handled. If the bill passed into law, it has the potential of adding 4.5 million dollars to the snowmobile program per year.

The next Alliance Meeting will be December 4thth starting @ 7:30 and everyone is welcome to attend. The meeting will be held at the groomer shed in Clinton and will be hosted by Janesville Snowchiefs.

TRAIL REPORT:

All road crossing signs are to be flipped by Thanksgiving and get the stop signs in as well.

Jarrod has some culverts that need to be installed in a section of his trail that washed out, we will not be charged for the culverts just to have them installed.

Jimmy needs snow fence to divert the trail south from 59 so the black top driveway is not driven over. There is fence available.

Shoes to meet and talk with 1 remaining land owner about getting the trail back into town from the south.

Marcus to meet with the city to ask what their suggestions for a trail in town would be.

OLD BUSINESS:

A vote was taken to set the date for the Radar run; a show of hands was unanimous to schedule it for January 25th, 2014

NEW BUSINESS:

Safety Class is scheduled for December 2nd, 3rd and 5th. The DNR warden will be there on Monday which is a requirement. On Tuesday we have some local EMT'S come into class and go through basic first aid and frost bite prevention. On Thursday we do a demonstration of basic sled parts. We complete all of these items as well as the complete book that is required by the DNR. There is a 60 question test on Thursday and the students have to receive a passing score of 80% or less than 12 wrong.

Alison is working on setting a meeting schedule for all of 2014. Once all places are set, we will have it printed and posted in advance.

Polaris has a new App for smart phones that is called Polaris Trail Maps. It is very interesting as it has all maps in the state on it.

Kyle an independent Amsoil dealer spoke briefly at the meeting and stated if anyone was interested in oil, he would sell it to club members at his cost.

A motion was made and passed to move the December meeting to the 12th due to safety class being held on the 5th.

A motion was made and passed to move the January meeting to the 9th instead of the 2nd due to the New Year holiday.

A motion was made and passed to not hold a meeting in July and resume in August

Tim Reilly's name was pulled, he was not present so \$312.50 for the next meeting.

Our next meeting will be held December 12th at Creekview Par 3 @7:30.

Sincerely,

Jackie Kell

Secretary of the Sundowners Snowmobile Club