

Sundowners Snowmobile Club  
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March 2, 2018

The regular meeting of the Sundowners Snowmobile Club was called to order at 7:05 pm on March 1, 2018 by Treasurer Casey Lund (President Richard Plautz running late from work) at Creekview Par Three. There were 14 members present out of the current total membership of 112, with the roll call for elected and appointed positions as follows:

**Officers:**

President: Richard Plautz ✓  
Vice President: Jeff Bartz  
Secretary: Brian Gray ✓  
Treasurer: Casey Lund ✓

**Directors:**

Mike Shumaker  
Tim Weber  
Chris Green  
Brian Gessling  
Charlie Rusch ✓  
Aaron Lenox ✓

**Trail Bosses:**

Jarrold Bublitz  
Mark Oswald  
Eric Schmeling  
Jon Dibble  
Craig Phillips  
Mike Shumaker  
Seth Green  
Jamie Shelley  
Aaron Lenox ✓  
Kurt Birkett  
Ryan Nelson

**Appointed Officials:**

Trail Chmn: Mike Shumaker  
Jim Swon  
Activity Leader:

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:**

Distributed to all members and accepted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Read and accepted.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- Attended an ATV club meat raffle and talked to many of the members there. Will discuss further at the April meeting.
- Briefly discussed the snowmobiling fatality in Jefferson County. We'll talk about it in more depth when more information is available, but it is noteworthy that the investigation includes checking out trail signage.
- Asked Alison Rece to generate some ideas for summertime club activities that may, or may not, include fundraising. She presented the following, along with some generated through discussion:
  - Club breakfast.
  - Landowner appreciation dinner.
  - Kickball tournament.
  - Poker run (boat or drive).
  - Beer sales at Tired Iron car show.
  - Trap shoot.
  - Camping weekend.

**ALLIANCE REPORT (from February 7):**

- AWSC Director Rod Burzinski stated Levi Olson no longer wanted to be AWSC representative. Those in attendance were canvassed for interest in being the representative. Erica Keehn was the only person interested and she was elected.
- Trail report:
  - Hope to open Friday, Feb 9.
  - Trails must be GPSed by April 15. Will be done by the county.
- Youth report:
  - KAOS ride Feb 10-11.

- Club ride the previous weekend.
- Will be holding a silent auction at the AWSC convention.
- Some KAOS members will be attending the International Snowmobile Congress (ISC) in Nova Scotia, June 13-15.
- Trail map changes proposed for next season by Brian Gray, will be voted on in March:
  - Divide trail system into quadrants to simplify opening and closing parts of trail system, along with three different options for both north-south and east-west boundaries.
  - Display a QR code on the front of the map and what should it link to (Travel Wisconsin trail report, Alliance Facebook page, etc.).
  - Use a color coded symbol on the cover of the map instead of listing a specific year, which would allow flexibility in determining whether to print new maps or continue using existing stock.
- Rock County Sheriff's Recreational Patrol Deputy Chris Krahn introduced Rock County's new DNR Warden Kyle Johnson, who can be reached at 608-295-6171.
- Next Alliance meeting will be March 7 at the Evansville VFW.

**TRAIL REPORT:**

Nothing significant to report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- Meat raffle:
  - February raffle netted \$665 and was staffed by Kurt Birkett, Jim McCue, and Tim Weber.
  - After some discussion it was decided to suspend future raffles until the fall meetings resume. **{Sep 6}**
- ZR 120 raffle netted \$937.50.
- Morris Nelson memorial:
  - The bronze was received February 6.
  - The rock selection must be completed soon so we can proceed with installation as soon as ground conditions permit.
  - Project phases for tracking:
    1. Rock and plaque {half done}.
    2. "The 'rock' of Rock County" sign (type, size, etc.).
    3. Follow on improvements, some of which already suggested:
      - Map board.
      - Solar cell powered lighting of the plaque.
      - Picnic table. **{Feb 1}**
- Addressed Richard's proposal from the February meeting to authorize a stipend of \$160 to help defray costs for a Sundowners member to attend the AWSC convention and dinner representing the club. Aaron Lenox moved to adopt the proposal, which was approved after discussion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Nominations were held in preparation for the April election with the following results:

Position	Nominees accepting
Vice President	Robbie Koepf
Secretary	Brian Gray
Director (3 positions)	Mike Bentheimer Matt Falk Andy Richardson Mike Shumaker Tim Weber

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The Golden Lake club, on the county line between Waukesha and Jefferson counties, are trying to get ATV route approval in a meeting at the old Concord Elementary School, just before the Concord House. They are hoping to fill the chairs to demonstrate interest, so anyone available is invited to attend.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm. The next meeting will be April 5, 2018 at 7:00 pm at Creekview Par Three.

Brian Gray  
Secretary, Sundowners Snowmobilers

**CLUB CONTACTS**  
*(as of March 2018)*

**Officers**

President	Richard Plautz	608-213-8898
Vice President	Jeff Bartz	608-751-1802
Secretary	Brian Gray	608-201-0104
Treasurer	Casey Lund	608-449-6531

**Directors**

Mike Shumaker	608-444-1071
Tim Weber	608-289-6552
Chris Green	608-295-2180
Brian Gessling	608-314-0694
Charlie Rusch	608-449-5210
Aaron Lenox	608-289-1568

**Appointed Officials**

Trail Chairman	Mike Shumaker	608-444-1071
	Jim Swon	
Activity Coordinator	vacant	

**Trail Bosses**

Jarrold Bublitz	Mark Oswald	Eric Schmeling
Jon Dibble	Craig Phillips	Mike Shumaker
Seth Green	Aaron Lenox	Kurt Birkett
Jamie Shelley	Ryan Nelson	

- ✓ Submit membership renewal/application online at:  
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- ✓ Complete the form below and bring it to a meeting or mail with \$20 to:

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**Membership Form**

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