

Sundowners Snowmobile Club  
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January 30, 2020

The regular meeting of the Sundowners Snowmobile Club was called to order at 7:05 pm on January 9, 2020 by President Richard Plautz at Creekview Par Three. There were 27 members present out of a total of 105, with the roll call for elected and appointed positions as follows:

**Officers:**

President: Richard Plautz ✓  
Vice President: Robbie Koepp  
Secretary: Brian Gray ✓  
Treasurer: Casey Lund

**Directors:**

Mike Shumaker  
Tim Weber  
Andy Richardson ✓  
Chris Green ✓  
Charlie Rusch ✓  
Aaron Lenox ✓

**Trail Bosses:**

Jarrold Bublitz  
Mike Bentheimer ✓  
Eric Schmeling  
Jon Dibble  
Craig Phillips  
Mike Shumaker  
Jim Swon ✓  
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:**

- Just before Christmas, I asked the directors if they could meet to discuss our connection to the Rock County Alliance. They had a good, lengthy discussion and are still waiting for some information, but what do other members think? A lengthy discussion ensued. Further meetings to come.

**ALLIANCE REPORT:**

- Director: Attended directors meeting:
  - Over 51,000 trail passes sold so far this year, with a little over 64,000 sold in all of last year.
  - Over 100 groomer GPS units in use statewide already.
  - Looking to raise the cap on the snowmobile funds to ensure we retain all the money that should be in the fund.
  - AWSC convention in Madison March 20-22. More information at AWSC.org.
- Trails:
  - Everett said most signs are up.
  - The GPS equipment is on order and should be received soon. He and Levi plan to do the installation on the south groomer next week. They plan to come up to do the north groomer the following week.
  - Be sure to get leases if there are any trail reroutes. Also, submit SNARS information as soon as possible.
  - Rock County Sheriff's Deputy Chris Krahn was there to introduce his replacement as recreation deputy, since he has been promoted to supervise that function.
- President

- Too many trail pass questions are called into the AWSC office (use club contacts and web sites).
- Groomer
  - Sundowners picked up tracks for north groomer; kudos to them and members of other clubs that helped. It went very well and was an enjoyable event.
- Youth
  - While at the directors meeting, Rachyl Burzinski attended magazine committee (watch for coming changes).
  - KAOS ride Feb 7-9 at Lakewood WI, where they will also have election for board members.
  - International Snowmobile Congress is in Saskatchewan (Tia, Lynsey, Rachyl selected to go).
- The Alliance will vote at the next meeting for director and representative to the AWSC.
- The next meeting will be February 5 at 7:00 pm at the Orfordville American Legion.

TRAIL REPORT. Sayer farms will determine what happens with most of our trails. Sundowners should send a letter to the DNR in support of the Sayers' position. Brian Gray will draft the letter if provided with details about the problem.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Brian Gray presented the draft compiled from a previous committee meeting. Unanimous vote approved going forward as written.
- Meat raffle:
  - Andy and Matt Richardson worked the December meat raffle and raised \$753.
  - All raffles are now on the third Saturday of the month. To volunteer go to SignUp Genius; there is a link at the top of the Sundowners website. Still need a method to find replacements if someone has to cancel at the last minute.
- Budgeting and goal setting committee. Nothing to report.
- Still waiting on the weather for the Morris Nelson Memorial.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Discussed a donation to Gifts for Kids. Tabled to February after the board of directors discuss, in accordance with the bylaws.
- Bob Bennett raised the possibility of the Sundowners joining the Jefferson County Alliance. Tabled pending outcome of the Rock County Alliance issue.
- Andy Richardson passed along a request from Chad Green for help with Boom Fest.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Steve Hanewall had some heart problems and had stents put in.
- Recognized Bob Houfe's attendance after his health problems.

A motion was made and carried for the club to buy a drink for all members present.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34 pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 7:00 pm at Creekview Par Three.

Brian Gray  
Secretary, Sundowners Snowmobilers

## **CLUB CONTACTS**

(as of March 2019)

### **Officers**

President	Richard Plautz	608-213-8898
Vice President	Robbie Koepp	608-290-8302
Secretary	Brian Gray	608-201-0104
Treasurer	Casey Lund	608-449-6531

### **Directors**

Mike Shumaker	608-444-1071
Tim Weber	608-289-6552
Andy Richardson	608-295-1703
Chris Green	608-295-2180
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	Mike Bentheimer	Eric Schmeling	Charles Hendrickson
Jon Dibble	Craig Phillips	Mike Shumaker	
Seth Green	Aaron Lenox	Kurt Birkett	
Jamie Shelley	Ryan Nelson	Jim Swon	

- ✓ Submit membership renewal/application online at:  
<http://www.sundownerssnowmobilers.com/membership.html> or
- ✓ 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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