

Minutes from April 7, 2022 Meeting

Sundowners Snowmobile Club

Call To Order: 7:15 pm at Towne and Country Club by President Richard Plautz

Roll Call: Elected and appointed positions as follows....

President Richard Plautz yes; Vice President Robbie Koepp no; Secretary Kurt Birkett yes; Treasurer James McCue yes; Directors Mike Shumaker yes, Tim Weber yes, James Rece yes, Archer Radtke yes, Brian Sayre yes

Trail Bosses: John Sweeney yes; Mike Shumaker yes; Jim Swon yes; Zane Reilly yes; Tim Weber yes; Mike Bentheimer yes; Charles Hendrickson no; Jarrod Bublitz yes; Robbie Koepp no; Archer Radtke yes; Brendt Keinbaum no; Aaron Lenox yes; Dan Learn yes; Craig Phillips yes; Richard Plautz yes

Secretaries Report: Started out with the elections. Robbie Koepp was unanimously selected as Vice President without a opponent or vote. Jim Jelinek was unanimously selected as Secretary without a opponent or vote. There was a motion on the floor to accept them both and the yeas have it. For the board election, there are 4 candidates (Weber/Rece/Shumaker/Lennox) with three openings. Three separate individuals counted the votes three times. The three winning board members are Weber, Shumaker, and Lennox. A big thanks goes to James Rece for his service. The SNARS entries are almost completed and we are close to \$14,000 in reimbursements. The county and DNR needs to approve the entries yet. Still waiting on some trail work logs to be turned in after the trails get pulled. Get your logs to Kurt as soon as you pull your trail. Working with the county and the DNR to increase our allotted miles up from 47.8. The 4.4-mile new trail to Hannerville Rd has been approved so far. Report accepted

Treasures Report: Jim discussed the total balance in the bank accounts of \$20,253.02 and PayPal of \$249.16. The new groomer monthly payment is \$524.42. The meat raffles are a huge success netting more than \$5500 this year. A big thanks to Aaron, Niki, Ali, and Robbie. When the members show up it shows that, we are in this too. Report accepted

Presidents Report: Began the meeting acknowledging and thanking the large turnout of attendees on 2022 election night. Later on I shared with the group that I had a conversation with Sundowner Jeff Bartz, prior to asking him to come out of retirement and mentor Archer Radtke, as the new activities director. (As it had been a couple years since we had some consistency in that assigned position). Archer, clearly is excited to learn from Jeff Bartz in bringing back some historical club activities that were not only fun, but also padded the checkbook too. It's my belief that Jeff, and Archer, will share a couple suggested activities at our May meeting that can be put into motion for later on this summer and fall season. I also asked the members in attendance at our April meeting for some suggestions to offer up a tangible offering to our Attorney Robert Shumaker, for the countless hours that he devoted to in understanding the bureaucratic layers, of a simple snowmobile club, that just wanted to do their best along with their land owners, in offering up the best and safest trails a manageable. Along with being rewarded with state Snowmobile funding just like the other 98% of Snowmobile clubs in the State. Several great suggestions / ideas from members were, a solid gold Sundowners pin, \$5,000. Cash gift, a vacation trip, and numerous gift card(s). This item will be further discussed at our May Meeting.

Trail Report: New trail by Vinnie Ha Ha being worked on for next year.

Old Business: Shirts, hoodies, and other apparel items to be tabled waiting for someone to direct this.

New Business: Bartz and his side kick Archer are going to start up the vacant Activity director.

Announcements: Aaron buys the group a drink. Eric announces he has raffle tickets for sale for the Edgerton Youth Trap League. Next meeting is planned for on May 5 at Creekview 7pm.

Adjournment: 8:04pm