

## Minutes from April 8, 2021 Meeting

### Sundowners Snowmobile Club

**Call To Order:** 7:06 pm at Creekview by President Richard Plautz

**Roll Call:** 20 members present. Elected and appointed positions as follows....

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

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

**Secretaries Report:** Started out with the continued conversation about raising the membership fees and starting up the sponsorship program again. The idea of having a 3-tier sponsorship did not go anywhere and the consensus liked a single amount. Kurt made a motion to vote on raising the membership fees to \$25 and starting a sponsorship program at \$300 per sponsor. The yeas have it 20-0. Then we had our vote on new board members. Charlie and Aarons terms were up. Kurt nominated Archer Radke for a board member. Brian Sayre was nominated as a board member last meeting and Charlie Rusch is stepping down allowing the younger generation to get involved. The election was performed choosing two of the three candidates. Aaron Lennox received 10 votes, Archer Radke 12, and Brian Sayre 18. The ballots were counted twice by Kurt and Alison, the same results were obtained. A motion was made to accept the results, seconded and accepted. Richard stated that Aaron has been an excellent board member and he should be applauded for his dedication, and he was. The next election was for President and Treasurer. There were no nominations for either. Bob made a motion to unanimously re-elect the current officers. Seconded and accepted. The yeas have it 20 to 0.

**Treasures Report:** James discussed the total balance in the bank accounts of \$32,457.68 and PayPal of \$53.12. The March meat raffle run by Ali brought in \$991. Jim mentioned that he has to write out checks to Robbie and Tim for the groomer purchase yet. The Boy Scouts seek a \$100 donation; a motion was made to decline the request due to not being a snowmobile related item. Seconded and accepted. Report Accepted

**Presidents Report:** Richard, began sharing with members in attendance of an email breach that on Saturday April 3rd he received no less than 7 text messages / phone calls from members stating they had received a suspect email from Richard asking members various suspicious demands from buying Hundreds of dollars of gift cards etc. The club members who received these fraudulent emails knew that this was not Richard, and contacted him immediately. The email address was a fraudulent scam generic address with Richards name. It was suspicious that only Sundowner members actually received these scam emails? Hence someone must have obtained the Sundowners Mailing list? Richard also shared that due to unnamed outside sources seem to have successfully deterred our efforts to partner with Green County as a club sponsor for next season. With that opportunity no longer viable the club is looking at other options for our independence going forward. With Club election news, we congratulated new board of directors, Brian Sayre, and Archer Radke, who will take their place as new Board of Directors this September. Briefly discussed the club's 50- Anniversary later this fall that is being headed up currently by Mike "Shoes". (Many volunteers will be needed as this celebration gets closer. Also a shout out to Ali, for her diligence and dedication with regards to the meat raffles. They have been EXTREMELY successful and appreciated. And last but not least for our April meeting, as mentioned earlier with two new directors coming on board this fall, two current long term members Aaron & Charlie are getting a bit of a retrieve from their many years of contributions to this awesome club we respectfully call the Sundowners. Aaron and Charlie are not going away, they'll continue to be a large part of this club hopefully for many years to come. I would ask each of you in the meantime to thank them next time you see them, or just take a moment to text/email them and let them know how much we've appreciated all of their efforts to make this club what it is, and what it will be in the future.

**Trail Report:** Some bridges need some work.

**Old Business:** Looking at having our 50<sup>th</sup> Party at Coachman's October 2nd. Tim mentioned that he and Robbie would look into a raffle for the event.

**New Business:** Looking at getting a trail into Lucy's and Stagecoach. Looking for a place to store groomer. Rollie says he has room or it. A motion was made by Niki to donate four (\$50) gift cards to the Kienbaum family for groomer repairs and storage, seconded and accepted.

**Announcements:** Next meeting will be May 6 at Creekview 7pm.

**Adjournment:** 9:01pm