

Sundowners Snowmobile Club  
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May 14, 2020

**NOTE:** My apologies for being 2 months late with these meeting notes. My only reason is the lack of upcoming meetings pushing me to get it done, which is a poor excuse. Because of this long delay, as well as the COVID-19 shutdown, I'll write these notes as if the March meeting happened more recently. I hope this will make it easier to follow. If necessary I'll add explanations.

The regular meeting of the Sundowners Snowmobile Club was called to order at 7:10 pm on March 5, 2020 by President Richard Plautz at Creekview Par Three. There were 20 members present out of a total of 111, 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 ✓  
vacant  
Charlie Rusch ✓  
Aaron Lenox ✓

**Trail Bosses:**

Jarrood 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, read, and accepted.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Richard read Casey's resignation letter and gave a brief report, which was accepted.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:**

- Richard assigned Charlie Rusch, Mike Shumaker, John Sweeney, and Bob Bennett to the transition committee to work issues related to leaving the Alliance. Shoes gave a brief outline of documentation they are working on with Rock County. Robbie Koepp will work with the current committee to take on issues that need work and to gather volunteers to assist with them. Working on promotion for the "best 55 miles of trails in southern Wisconsin."

**ALLIANCE REPORT:** No report, since there is no longer a Sundowners representative to the Alliance. However, the following requires attention:

- Received landowner checks. If trail bosses want to deliver these please pick them up following the meeting, otherwise they will be mailed.
- The fuel bill for the groomer can't be reimbursed until the supporting SNARS entries are completed. A motion was made and passed to pay Casey Burns for the fuel from Sundowners' funds, with the money reimbursed from the Alliance going into the Sundowners' account when it is received.
- Eric Schmeling is also leaving Sundowners, which is why he is no longer a representative to the Alliance.
- Encouraged better communication between Sundowners and the Alliance during the transition.

**TRAIL REPORT.** None.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Scholarship winner: William Hazeltine.
- Gifts for Kids: \$200 to be presented at a later date.
- Meat raffle:
  - Ali Austin worked the February meat raffle and raised \$719. She is willing to work future raffles for \$50 per, since she is not a club member.
  - Volunteers were lined up for the March and April raffles, but those events didn't happen because of the COVID-19 shutdown.
- Budgeting and goal setting committee. Nothing to report.
- The Morris Nelson memorial might be best located on the Rock Koshkonong Lake District land in Indianford. Shoes will coordinate with Ryan to make sure he is comfortable with the location..

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Nominations:
  - Vice president: Robbie Koepp nominated and accepted. No other nominees.
  - Secretary: Kurt Birkett nominated and accepted. No other nominees.
  - Treasurer: Andy Richardson nominated and accepted. No other nominees.
  - Directors:
    - James Reece nominated and accepted.
    - John Sweeney nominated and accepted.
    - Tim Weber nominated and accepted.
    - Mike Shumaker nominated and accepted. No other nominees.
  - A motion was made to close nominations, which passed.
  - A motion was made and passed to elect the nominees by acclamation, to be effective April 2.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

- Charter member Rollie Amundson was recently (as of the March meeting) released from the hospital where he was treated for pneumonia.
- Kudos to Kurt Birkett for his activity in updating the Polaris Ride Command app.
- Robbie Koepp will coordinate the purchase of 78 landowner hams.
- Discussion of paying the extra \$10 for landowner insurance.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm. The next meeting remains to be scheduled.

Brian Gray

**CLUB CONTACTS**  
(as of May 2020)

	<u><b>Officers</b></u>			<u><b>Directors</b></u>	
President	Richard Plautz	608-213-8898	Mike Shumaker	608-444-1071	
Vice President	Robbie Koepf	608-290-8302	Tim Weber	608-289-6552	
Secretary	Kurt Birkett		Charlie Rusch	608-449-5210	
Treasurer	Andy Richardson	608-295-1703	Aaron Lenox	608-289-1568	
			James Reece		
			John Sweeney		

**Appointed Officials**

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

**Trail Bosses**

Jarrood 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	

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