

## ROCK COUNTY ALLIANCE OF SNOWMOBILE CLUBS

October 4, 2017

**Call to Order:** at Maintenance Building, Clinton, by President Bob Kaiser

**Roll Call:** Alliance officers present: Bob Kaiser, Jackie Olson, Kate Fuchs. Absent: Don Myers 7 Clubs present; Absent, Evansville Sno-Devils, Rock County Snowblowers

**Secretary's Report:** A copy is on file in Secretary's book.

**Treasurer's Report:** Copies of the treasurer's report were distributed. Jackie Olson read it, a copy is on file in the secretary's book. Levi Olson made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Mark Hubka seconded it, motion carried.

**Pay Bills:** No bills were presented for payment.

**Directors Report:** The state budget has passed, which in turn allowed Senate Bill 188 to pass. Hats off to Sam Landes and Morris for all their years of hard work with the trail pass. Rod sent out emails to congress and senate members to say thank you for backing our bill, all have gotten back saying it was not a problem. There may be a bill coming that could help in situations we recently encountered with the train, eminent domain. Rod still has some of the AWSC raffle tickets available, please let him know if you are interested in one. The Sherriff's department has posted its snowmobile classes, they will be 11/11, 12/16, and 1/20.

**Trail Report:** Some landowner changes may be coming forward, Levi talked with clubs that could be impacted. The sunset clause of the trail pass has been eliminated with the passing of SB188. Also with the passing of SB188 the amount paid for trail put in/take out has increased. Labor rate is moving from \$6.50 to \$8/hr, pickups going to \$15/hr, ATV \$18/hr. Groomer payout has also increased from \$50 to \$55 for the tractor, \$50 to \$65 for the Tuckers. SNARS added an Alliance level so there is a stop before submissions go directly to the County. The groomer hours will now be submitted in the Alliance level. Levi will bring in hour sheets to the next meeting so each club will have a printed level of pricing, etc. If anyone received a non-resident trail pass, keep them, they will need to be turned back in. Signs and posts are in, contact Levi to pick-up.

**President's Report:** Hopefully the forecasts we keep seeing are right and we will be getting a lot of snow!

**Groomer Report:** Nothing to report at this meeting.

**Youth Advisor Report:** KAOS participated in the Warrens Cran Fest, their float won 2<sup>nd</sup> place for non-profits, there were 115 floats in attendance. The annual KAOS leadership weekend will be 10/21-10/22, the kids will be giving presentations and getting ready for workshop. KAOS will have a booth at the Milwaukee Snow Show, they were also asked to attend a breakout session at the DNR class during the Snow Show. They are gathering used eyeglasses to be donated to the Lions Club at the workshop. KAOS shirts will be on sale at the workshop, and keep watching the KAOS Facebook page for updates.

**Old Business:** Elections were held, Bob Kaiser will be President, Steve Fausnaugh will be Vice-President, Jackie Olson will be Treasurer, Kate Fuchs will be Secretary. A motion was made to again donate to the Morris Nelson Scholarship Fund this year. Levi Olson made the motion, Rod Burzinski seconded to discuss the donation by the February Alliance meeting. Morris Nelson Memorial Trail, we are still waiting on word from Sundowners where this stands. After the meeting I received an e-mail from Brian Gray stating "we'll place a large boulder at the memorial site along the Morris Nelson Memorial trail. We will attach a cast bronze plaque with a brief summary of the article about Mo along with the photo from the WSN. Below the plaque we'll attach a sign which will read

"The 'rock' of Rock County." Members from the Sundowners will be at November's meeting to discuss more details.

**New Business:** Many clubs throughout the area are having some issues with members (new and old) wanting their AWSC information ASAP so that they can order their trail passes. The Alliance is looking to see what clubs in our county are doing to try to remedy and make the membership chairs for club's jobs easier. Clinton stated that they will be submitting enrollments on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> of each month. It was mentioned maybe instilling an "early bird" club pricing and memberships after XX month pay an additional \$5, etc. Please bring back ideas from your club. A motion was made by Levi Olson and seconded by Steve Fausnaugh to purchase an AWSC raffle ticket, motion passed. As Lynsey has moved up to be a Youth Advisor, we have 2 opening for Youth Reps for Rock County. Nikole McElroy turned in her application to be a representative for Rock County, a motion by Harold Dettinger and seconded by Levi Olson was made to allow Nikole to be one of our youth representatives. Motion passed.

**Announcements:**

10/27-10/29 AWSC Workshop, Appleton, WI

**Nov 1, Alliance Meeting, Edgerton Sundowners, Edgerton Towne and Country Golf Course**

Dec 6, Alliance Meeting, Janesville Snow Chief

Jan 3, Alliance Meeting, Clinton Fencehoppers

Steve Fausnaugh made a motion to adjourn. Rod Burzinski seconded it, motion carried.

Submitted,

Kate Fuchs  
Secretary