

## ROCK COUNTY ALLIANCE OF SNOWMOBILE CLUBS

November 7, 2018

**Call to Order:** at The Decoy, Edgerton, WI, by President Erica Keehn

**Roll Call:** Alliance officers present: Erica Keehn, Steve Fausnaugh, Jackie Olson, Kate Fuchs. 8 Clubs present; Absent, Rock County Snowblowers

**Secretary's Report:** A copy is on file in Secretary's book. Corrections to last month's minutes – Jackie Olson was absent. At October's meeting Stormy was not yet Lori Pohl's replacement. AWSC workshop was held at Chula Vista, not in Appleton, WI. It was requested to have the Secretary's report sent earlier, if possible. Levi Olson made a motion to accept the report with above changes, Josh Wentland seconded, motion passed.

**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. Brian Gray made a motion to approve the treasurer's report. Rod Burzinski seconded it, motion carried.

**Pay Bills:** Bills were presented for payment. Levi Olson made a motion to pay the bills as presented, Rod Burzinski seconded it, motion carried.

**Directors Report/AWSC Workshop Report:** There were over 730 people in attendance for the AWSC Workshop. Lynsey's reign as Miss Snowflake has come to an end, our new Miss Snowflake is Kendra, thank you to Nikole for representing Rock County in the Miss Snowflake competition this year. Within the breakout sessions there was a lot of good information coming forward. At the tax breakout session, it was discussed that to become a 501C3 can take at least 3 months, sometimes more. Snowmobile registration numbers were down, however with a lower snow year, it was slightly expected. Try to get trail passes soon, we have a new AWSC Office Manager and any help we can give her is much appreciated. ACSA calendars will be available at the next meeting. Let Rod know if you are interested in getting one. Rod also has more AWSC raffle tickets if anyone is interested. The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration will be held at the AWSC Convention in Green Bay, it sounds like it will be a lot of fun. We attended the Illinois State Snowmobile Convention in Rockford, there were some different ideas and events that they had that we will pass along to the AWSC. Rider-X was in attendance with more information on their app. Groomer GPS may be coming our way, it is already being used in areas to the north. This would have ways to track where has been groomed, how long the groomer was stopped, moving, etc. This would require a device for each groomer, and a yearly fee.

**Trail Report:** Each club was given land owner lists, maps showing trails for trail crossings. Please bring in a copy of each the landowner list and the map showing any changes you club has for the season to December's meeting. If you need any Landowner leases, please let Levi know. We are assuming that the County is installing the new trail crossing signs and removing any that have been deemed not needed. We may encounter crop problems this year with corn and beans still standing in some areas. With weather it may be hard to get trails leveled out. If you ordered signs please contact Levi to get them picked up.

**President's Report:** From our new President Erica - Thank you for believing in me, I hope to not let you down. We received a card from the KAOS group saying thank you for the donation for food from their Leadership weekend.

A message from our Previous President Bob Kaiser – I am very proud of the accomplishments the Alliance has made over the previous years, we were able to pay off a lot of bills and move forward to great things. It was a privilege to work with everyone and serve with you.

**Groomer Report:** South groomer had some mold in the cab, it has been cleaned out. North groomer is ok. West groomer, for the external tank we will be paying the straight cost for the fuel, no delivery fees, and no rental fees. The estimate was approx. \$3to \$3.25 per gallon and this would be for the blended fuel. This will be used for emergency fills, not everyday fuel fill ups. At gas stations we received the road tax back, we will need to investigate if we pay the road tax on this fuel. Harold Dettinger made a motion to move forward with the external tank for emergency refuel purposes only, Brian Gray seconded. Motion passed.

**Maps:** Maps come in boxes of 350. Each club will receive a box, let Brian Gray know if you need any more. We will also need to get maps to the County, Levi and Jackie will take care of this. The maps are in full color, with the transfer of the Rock County Alliance logo, Brian Gray has volunteered to work on a new logo and bring it to the net meeting. Thank you to Brian for taking over the maps.

**Youth Advisor Report:** Our youth were busy at the AWSC Workshop this year. At the Directors meeting both Tia and Rachyl attended the magazine breakout, if any clubs or the Alliance is interested there will be a special 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition that you can advertise in, it will be \$1040 for either a horizontal or vertical page advertisement. The magazine is also looking for stories from clubs for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary edition. July 26-28th the KAOS group will be having their annual Summer Camping trip. February 8-10<sup>th</sup> will be the Annual KOAS Lakewood Ride, this year the group invited the DNR to join them. Tia and Rachyl are trying to work on ways to get more youth involved in Rock County, or to possibly create a Rock County Youth Group. Any ideas and help are welcome.

**Old Business:** There is no new news on the Pelishek land transfer. There is no new news on the Morris Nelson Memorial Trail.

**New Business:** Rock County Sheriffs will be hosting their Snowmobile Safety Classes starting in November and will have a class in December and January as well. Steve Fausanaugh volunteered to talk to the November class to discuss the rolls that clubs play in the sport of snowmobiling. He will bring maps for those who are interested in them. Please verify club's information on the AWSC website, if people request information on the Alliance Facebook page, we are leading them there for information. Brian Gray volunteered to create a website for the Alliance to have another go to source for information for the county.

**Announcements:**

ASCA Calendars are available now - \$20 each, let Rod or Levi know if you are interested.

**Dec 5, Alliance meeting, Janesville Snow Chiefs, 7:30 pm at Maintenance Building, Clinton**

Jan 2, Alliance meeting, Clinton Fencehoppers

Feb 6, Alliance Meeting, Country Riders

**Safety Courses**

Rock County Sherriff's Department Classes are loaded into the DNR website.

November 10<sup>th</sup>

December 8<sup>th</sup>\*

January 19<sup>th</sup>\*

\*Each class has a registration day prior to this, please reference the DNR website for sign up and full information.

Liz Dettinger made a motion to adjourn. Harold Dettinger seconded it, motion carried. Thanks to the Edgerton Sundowners for providing meeting space.

Submitted,

Kate Fuchs  
Secretary