

Knight Owls Snowmobile Meeting

12/6/2021 Groomer Shed at 5041 Hoovie Rd.

Call to order at 7:03 PM by President Dave Duranceau

Business member roll call by Vice President Stu Lemke. Nine (9) in attendance.

Minutes of the last meeting (11/1/2021) were read and accepted after motion of Will Duckett and second by Tank Jonas.

Treasurer Report was given by Treasurer Nancy Swan.

New members: None, however, the new owners of Guppy's introduced themselves, Kevin and Kari Atchinson, and one of the new owners of Nutzie's, Kevin LaMarche, introduced himself.

Trail Report was given by Will Duckett. The TRAIL BRUSHING DAY on SATURDAY, 11/6/2021, had eleven hearty souls out clearing the tangled mess of trees on the 17 trail south of the Park and Ride on County S, almost to the Hog House. Melody Chambers and Marne Krainik will try to get 'before and after' pictures on our web site or FaceBook to show the work involved. A trail easement change was completed by Will Duckett. The Lake Alice Crew is waiting for better ice before placing signs and barrels. Gary Hilgendorf continues with the County for work needed on the 19 Trail re-route around the swamp. The 40ft. easement rule (trail separation from a road) has been signed by the Governor. The signs Gary presented last month for RESPECT OUR LANDOWNERS and reminding everyone to STAY BETWEEN THE BLAZERS, will include the addition of a lighted billboard with the same message on highway 51, and will be funded by the Knight Owls and Northwoods Passage Clubs. Our portion of the billboard cost is \$900 for the season running to March 13th. The billboard passed unanimously after a motion by Nancy Swan and second of Jason Davis. The business signs with the same message are cardboard, and the vinyl on aluminum ones will be on the trails. The \$350 for those signs also passed after a motion by Nancy Swan and a second by Stu Lemke. The trail maps are expected the week of 12/6, and will be out to the businesses soon thereafter. The Club continues to need groomer operators. Please contact Gary Hilgendorf for instruction and practice. Trail section maintenance owners are also needed.

Groomer Building Construction of the upstairs meeting room has material on site for completing the interior. Heat for the room was discussed, and after a motion by Gary Hilgendorf and a second from Nancy Swan, the group approved the purchase and installation totaling \$2300.

Fish Boil. Frank Drake and planning committee held an initial meeting for the May 2022 event prior to the meeting and is looking for new or additional ideas for raffle prizes. Contact Frank via email at ddproeng@charter.net.

Gun Raffle. Ray Zweck announced ticket sales continue to be “on-schedule” as indicated by money collected. Guns and tickets are at various support business locations. Tickets are one for \$10 or three for \$20. Call Ray at home 715-453-0964 or on his cell: 262-215-0284, or email at rayzweck1@gmail.com.

Pig Roast, Donna Napierala of Shurwood Forest announced that the \$100 tickets should be available later the week the week of 12/6, and will be distributed to our business members. The event date is Saturday 2/26/2022. It includes a wonderful dinner, several cash prizes, in addition to many other raffle items, with those tickets being bought at the event.

New Business. The folks at Polaris Trail App contacted the Club to announce we are winners of a \$500 Visa gift card but we have yet to receive the card.

Nancy Swan proposed ordering 30 more meeting chairs. Frank Drake made the motion and Joan Hilgendorf seconded. Unanimous approval.

Gary Hilgendorf noted that Schoone Construction had finished up some previously authorized site grading which had been approved at \$2800. We were billed at only \$1400. A THANK YOU will go out to Schoone Construction expressing our thanks for their generosity.

Andy King from Northwoods Riders was attending, and shared that their Club is going to add QR Codes to their signs, thereby allowing a person out on the trail to join their Club via some tricky computer stuff and a PayPal account. Discussion in the meeting went to the recent distribution of drink coasters to our support businesses and the fact that Knight Owls could easily add our code to a new run of coasters for the same purpose. The PayPal and computer stuff was left to another meeting.

Nancy Swan suggested we exchange “functions lists” with other area Clubs for wider participation and perhaps reducing overlapping events. Melody Chambers offered to assemble the information.

Drawing was won by Kevin Atchinson.

President Dave Duranceau then announced his resignation, citing personal circumstances. Dave has been President for about 18 years. His overall knowledge, meeting leadership, and gavel finesse will be missed. Thank you, Dave!

Adjournment was at 8:01 following a motion by Jason Davis, a second from Tank Jonas, and unanimous approval.

Carl Gray, Secretary.

January Agenda

Knight Owls Snowmobile Club meeting

Monday, 1/3/2022

Surewood Forest, W4276 Sandy Lane, Tomahawk

1. 7:00 pm Call to order
2. Business roll call
3. Reading of last meeting minutes
4. Treasurer Report
5. Introduction of new members
6. Trail report
7. February Gun Raffle update. Ray Zweck
8. May Fish Boil fund raiser update. Frank Drake
9. February Pig Roast / \$100 ticket fund raiser update. Donna Naperalla
10. New business.
 - Electronic billboard, Gary
 - Club function list distribution, Melody
 - QR Codes / PayPal discussion
 - Thank you Letter to Schoone Construction, Carl
 - Lack of 2022 scholarship funding letter sent to Tomahawk High School, Carl
11. Drawing
12. Next meeting LOCATION and date reminder. Guppy's, Monday 2/7/2022
13. Adjourn