

Meeting called to order at 10am by President Chuck Y.

Secretary's minutes read by Secretary Jenn P. Meeting minutes accepted on a Doris / Loren motion.

Treasurer's report presented by Treasurer Leah J. Leah gave an update on the 3015C status. Leah reviewed the Treasurer's balance statement. Treasurer's report was accepted on a Loren / Bill W. motion.

VP / Equipment Manager Report was presented by Mike P. Brusher has been ordered, delivery in March. Discussion on type of brusher, use etc occurred. This purchase and it's amount was previously discussed at prior meetings and the board made an executive decision to move forward with the purchase. Chuck Y brought it before the meeting members for an official vote in the records. Motion was made by Kirk / Loren and passed. Mike stated we will need to purchase a brush guard for the UTV for safety purposes. It was discussed to have this installed and a full service done at the same time. Cost was discussed and a motion was made by Kirk / Loren and passed. Mike brought up for discussion that we will need to purchase a temp gauge and extra belt for the UTV in the near future. Mike reminded the members that this was approved in discussion of UTV purchase previously.

Trail Boss Report was presented by Al S. Al gave an update on current grooming schedule and discussed a grooming schedule going forward. Al gave an update on the grooming budget. Al shared that the cub and some volunteers put in over 200 hours for storm damage clean up.

Al wanted to recognize and extend a huge Thank You!! To Brian Tedford for giving 200 plus hours of his personal time and use of/on his personal equipment/machines – donated time and machine use to assist with the massive clean up. We appreciate you Brian T. !! Also a huge Thank You to Norm Hidden for your personal time and use of your equipment for our clean up efforts. Al also wanted to Thank Dan Wiersgalla for his donation of time and equipment for the clean up. We cannot do what we do without our awesome volunteers.

The club would also like to give a big shout out and Thank You to Circle pines for supplying food to our groomer operators and maintenance volunteers while working on trails and cleanup. This kind gesture means more than we can express. Thank you.

There was a discussion on additional miles of trail that we are currently helping to groom when needed. Al discussed a grooming schedule which will be dependent of weather conditions. Al brought up setting a date for the spring clean up, however this will be tabled until the brusher arrives and the trimming can be completed.

NW Trails Rep / County Rep – Loren stated that there were 2 meetings in one that was attended. Wisconsin experienced \$1 million in state wide storm damage clean up. There was discussion on closing the trails late fall until there is enough snow fall.

Membership Chair Betti presented her Membership Report. As of Jan 31st we have 25 paid Commercial Members, 165 Paid regular memberships and 10 secondary paid memberships.

Betti received a spring email from AWSC regarding the Spring Convention. This is scheduled for March 24th – 26th in Green Bay. There will be election of officers. Betti stated that it appears the insurance perk for AWSC paid membership is back. The amount is \$3,000 offered to you as a paid member.

May 15th ends our current membership year. June 1st the new year begins for membership renewal, etc. Betti will send out an email to alert you when your membership fee is due.

Event Coordinator - The club just completed its first annual all female snowmobile ride. 15 people participated and it was a success. The next year's event has been tentatively scheduled for February 9th, 2024. There has been some great interest in planning an all female ATV/UTV trail ride as well. Doris will keep us posted. We still have some Winter ATV raffle tickets left. If any left at the time of the SWORDS run, Doris will try to sell the rest there. The Winter ATV Raffle drawing will be held on March 25th at noon at Sportsman's in conjunction with Business Appreciation Day. Doris asked for a \$50 Wascott Tourism gift card for the winner of the Poker Run on Business Appreciation Day. A motion was made by Jenn / Leah and passed.

There is a meat raffle scheduled for Feb 18th at the Viewpoint. The time will be 6pm to coincide with View Points "Snow Day" event. Doris is wanting to try a meat market in Hayward and see what they offer. March 6th the Git Er Done club is having an indoor fishing contest. Doris would like the club to donate, as in the past, hats and/or Tshirts for their event. Motion was made by Betti / Leah and passed. Loren added that Miss Snowflake has agreed to attend our Food and Fun event. In September. John wanted to announce that the Turkey Hunt for Crystal Lake will be March 31st. Crystal Lakes fishing contest has been cancelled due to weather. John stated that Crystal Lake has a meat raffle and a 50/50 raffle today at 4pm.

Doris relayed that the money from the town of Wascott has already been collected for the Food and Fun inflatables. Great!!

There has been a donation by a community member of \$500 as a Thank You for all that the club does for the community.

President Chuck wanted to express his sincere Thanks from the club to Al S. Al put a lot of time, ground work and effort into organizing, planning and getting these trails open to our club and the community. THANK YOU Al Shoenborn for all that you do for us. Chuck discussed the need for a plan to replace the Tucker / tractor in the future. This will need a loan to finance. Discussion occurred on this subject. It was pointed out that the equipment has seen much increased use in the recent years not only with the expansion of trails to be maintained, but also with the increased need for more grooming as the trail traffic has drastically increased.

Other business: Leah wanted to thank Marsha Vote for her idea for the all-female snowmobile ride day. It was a great idea that we will continue.

Al S wanted to suggest we add a little more to the snowmobile day in the fall. Maybe a basic course on snowmobile maintenance on the trails etc. Leah also suggested a basic safety course.

Doris asked to be able to purchase a gift card for Patty and Charles as a Thank You!! for their continued commitment to our club and their numerous generous donations of items, time etc. They are a fantastic asset to our club. An amount was discussed and approved on a Jenn / Loren motion.

March 4th is our next meeting at the clubhouse @ 10am

Meeting adjourned on a Loren / Doris motion.

Meeting minutes submitted respectfully, on February 25th, 2023 by Secretary Jenn Pritchard