

100 Mile Snow Safari

September 21, 2022, Meeting Minutes

The September Meeting being held at Otter's Bar was called to order by Ralph at 7:12pm. Attendance collected with 28 members present.

Minutes of the May Meeting were read by Scott. Ralph mentioned for clarification, the meeting locations will be hosted from the Pit Stops present at the previous meeting. Pat also questioned why the County Representative was not mentioned in the Officer Positions. Scott had clarified this, the 4 Officer positions were needed to be identified in the minutes for the AWSC. Following this, a motion was made by Wayne to approve the minutes, seconded by Orv, Motion passed.

Treasures report provided by Lori -

Savings beginning balance \$3721.73, ending balance of \$3724.90.

Checking beginning balance \$9388.20, deposits \$9,298.38, credits of \$15,181.43 resulting in an ending balance of \$3,505.15. Combined total of \$7,230.05

Motion called for the approval of the treasures report by Diane, second by Jerry, motion carried.

Logo:

Ralph mentioned the present concern of the current logo with the Potawatomi Community with the Native American and feather in the center of the patch. Ralph stated Jim Cole has been working on a design and came up with a new center. The A will still be present for the Nicolet National Forest and in the center will be 100 MILE in red with white tops. Discussion followed and a motion was made by Wade to approve the new logo, second by Mike, motion passed unanimously.

Membership Online Options:

Jim Cole has been looking into the options of utilizing PayPal for online membership renewals. He stated it has been a process, but at this point he believes the process will work. Stay tuned for further updates or information released on the Web Site.

Bridge Update:

The Soper Street bridge has engineering completed and will be worked on next year ready for the 23/24 season. Status quo on the Mill Pond bridge and Upper and Lower Popple River bridges.

SNARS GPS Tracking:

Ongoing brushing hours are being submitted. The supplemental payments should be released in fall.

AWSC Report from Orv:

Orv was present and provided the following information, signs on State trails identifying businesses, the DNR is working with the AWSC about their past "Laws on the Book" to get this taken care of. At the International Snowmobile Congress, there were 60 members present from Wisconsin and an overall attendance over 300, next year this will be held in Illinois. National Snowmobile sales, 1.2 million registered, 610,000 registered in Canada. The Snow Recreation Council, 394.8 miles of trails added at 4.5 million in development costs. Orv had mentioned there were many incomplete applications from Clubs and stressed they needed to work with their County Coordinators when completing this. Calendar sales, Wisconsin was top with 535, Michigan second with 302. Wisconsin received \$2,675 for calendar sales.

Stormy Howey, office manager for the AWSC wanted to pass along they went through major software upgrades this summer and asked for patience when trying to log in. If you are having problems, you should clear out your browsing history and restart your computer. The Fall Workshop will be held on October 21st and 22nd at the Stoney Creek in Rothchild. Membership ahead of last year as of 7/1/22, 3,362 families and 159 commercial.

Legislative Law Enforcement will be increasing their budget from \$396,000 to \$800,000 for this season. He also mentioned that there will be 6 of 33 State Senators and 22 of the 99 Assembly positions retiring. Get to know the new Senators or Assembly positions if they are in your area.

October 29th will be the "National Snowmobile Day" they are looking for clubs to hold events, membership drives, have a speaker on club membership.

Brushing Update:

Ralph had mentioned that Josh and himself have been brushing, the Town of Ross and Newald along with Camp 5 have been completed. Brushing on the trails will be started in the next week or two.

Maintenance Day and Sign Inventory:

The annual maintenance day will be held on October 1 at Ralph's garage beginning at 1:00. Both Tuckers will need an oil change and a sign inventory will be completed. Josh stated the Wabeno and Armstrong Creek drags are in good shape, Scott stated new blades were installed on the Laona drag, knives on the pan lowered and wheel bearings re-packed.

Member Items:

Wayne mentioned there were updates on the trail from Armstrong Creek to Marinette County and an area was filled in along a roadway where the tuckers had a hard time climbing this steep grade.

Josh mentioned to let him know if there are any problems with trails, he is also looking at a safety measure for a light that is mounted on the front blade to increase visibility.

Pat mentioned LMT 8 has been rerouted off of the NST and is following the ATV trail.

Katie questioned what is being done in recognition of Pat Patterson. Josh stated they are looking at what could be done. Also mentioned in recognition of Den & Ren, the trail from Marinette County to Armstrong Creek will be identified.

Ralph mentioned a 500 gallon tank was purchased from LMS to be installed by Haen's Popple River Bar to aid in fueling the tucker and Fendt if brushing in the area.

Future Agenda items and meeting date:

There were 5 Pit Stops present at the meeting, CJ's, Blue Roof, Green Shack, Senolihn's and Haen's Popple River, following a drawing, the next meeting will be held on October 21st and will be held at Haen's Popple River

Adjournment was called for at 7: 45 a motion from Diane, seconded by Lori, Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by Scott