



Meeting Minutes

October 13, 2021

BeeHive: 253 Sunset Road, Barre, VT

Attendance

(P: Present, A: Absent)

Officers

1. President: Steve Avery (P)
2. Vice President: Greg Rouleau (P)
3. Treasurer: Stephen Conti (P)
4. Secretary: Shawn Avery (P)
Membership:
5. Trail Master: Matt Marsh (P)
Webmaster: Dan Caddy (A)

Directors

6. Greg Blake (P)
7. Bob Campo (P)
8. Scott Lange (P)
9. Jim Morrill (P)
10. Bruce Rancourt (P)
11. Mike Perrigo (P)
John Plante (A)
12. Aaron Reed (P)
13. Dave Watson (P)

Members Present

14. Gage Simpson
15. Paul Hennessey
16. Carl Robinson

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Steve A.

Opening Remarks: Annual VAST meeting went very smoothly and was a great time Some neighboring clubs got some nice recognition. Change to Agenda...adding \$100 raffle ticket for ThunderChickens raffle to new business.

***** MOTION #1** – Approve Agenda as presented, with changes noted.

* Made by: Bob Campo

* 2nd: Shawn Avery

* Discussion: None

* Vote: Carried unanimously

Secretary's Report:

Minutes from the last month's meeting were emailed prior to this meeting for review and approval.

***** MOTION #2** – Approve the Secretary's Report as presented, with agreed upon amendments.

* Made by: Greg Rouleau

* 2nd: Mike Perrigo

* Discussion: None

* Vote: Carried unanimously

Treasurer's Report:

Down-payment has been made towards new tracks (\$14k). We are still on the VAST contribution for the other half. Capital campaign going well...more to report at next month's meeting.

***** MOTION #3** – *Approve the Treasurer's Report as presented.*

- * *Made by: Mike Perrigo*
 - * *2nd: Paul Hennessey*
 - * *Discussion: None*
 - * *Vote: Carried unanimously*
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Trails Report:

Rangely (ME) club has a used 9' drag that they are selling for \$2000. Matt presented this to the club for discussion. That same club also has a bunch of used PB200 parts.....consensus with clubSTAY FRIENDS WITH THEM MATT.

Same graphics (from granite city graphics) will be put on new groomer. Dave and Matt are on it.

Lobster pot trail: A reroute will need to be figured out in the near future (1-2 years out project) that will involve some bridge repairs. The good news is that we're ahead, which is a plus, because it also means that we have some time to get ahead on funding. Before anything happens however, we will need formal permission from Joe Handy to continue using the existing bridge.

NO MOTIONS MADE

Membership Report:

Membership chair position still vacant. Ask around!
Nothing to report.

NO MOTIONS MADE

Webmaster Report:

Tons of effort has been put into our newly revamped website. Go check it out! Great job by Dan C. and Steve A.

NO MOTIONS MADE

County Report:

The "Cabot connector" trail is still A GO. The county can get 5.5' (1.5" square, sharpened tip) stakes for 80cents a piece...something to keep in mind for next year's pre-season. Mad River Ridge Runners are having a Calcutta dinner raffle. Thunderchickens finished a re-route up between south barre and the airport, again. Northfield is READY TO GO.

NO MOTIONS MADE

Committee Reports:

- Capital Campaign: Group from the club has been approaching local business about our situation with the 2nd groomer purchase. Currently at ~\$10k taken in....GREAT JOB GUYS!
- Signboard: The discount period has been extended (up to December 1st). Invoices are going out.
- Dinner Raffle: Set for Friday, December 3rd. \$125 ticket price this year....looking to net out about \$8,000. No limit on ticket sales...but “set” on 95 for now.
- POLICY REVIEW
 - Policies sent out for review and to be approved: Annual Election Procedures, Groomer Operator Employment Status and Pay

***** MOTION #4** – *Approve the Policies noted above as presented.*

** Made by: Greg Rouleau*

** 2nd: Shawn Avery*

** Discussion: None*

** Vote: Carried unanimously*

***** MOTION #5** – *(In regards to the “Groomer Operator Employment Status and Pay” Policy) Compute how many miles that were groomed from January 1st to May 12th of this year, and have those miles reflect the new groomer operator pay rate for this season for the purposes of next year’s tax reporting.*

** Made by: Paul Hennessey*

** 2nd: Bob Campo*

** Discussion: None*

** Vote: Carried unanimously*

NO MOTIONS MADE

OLD BUSINESS:

Cow Pasture Committee: SnoBees were left out of A LOT of summer discussions that resulted in A LOT of changes to our responsibilities for trail care-taking in the cow pasture area. MORE TO COME to report in the next month. (November 4th is the next committee meeting)

Money Raffle: Going Great, tickets selling....all good!

Insurance Review: IT’S DONE!! All new policies are in place and grouped into “essentially” 1 entity.

Club BBQ: The “ship has kind of sailed” for this year for an outdoor event. Maybe we could consider a ride-in for this season? Keep it on the agenda, and we’ll continue pursuing.

Trail Signs: “Welcome to SnoBees Territory” signs....now going to be “Welcome to SnoBees Trails” ...new signs in the works.

Lease Renewal: Dave will catch up will the Bailey’s.

Painting The "Wall of Honor": Tabled....Dave will get it done.

NO MOTIONS MADE

NEW BUSINESS:

(Thunderchickens \$100 Raffle Ticket)

***** MOTION #6** – *Purchase (1) \$100 raffle ticket for Thunderchickens annual raffle.*

* *Made by: Bob Campo*

* *2nd: Dave Watson*

* *Discussion: None*

* *Vote: Carried unanimously*

***** MOTION #7** – *Adjourn, 8:30 P.M.*

* *Made by: Steve Conti*

* *2nd: Shawn Avery*

* *Discussion: None*

* *Vote: Carried unanimously*

THINK SNOW!

Shawn Avery (Club Secretary)