

Meeting Minutes

December 8, 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

Greg Blake (A)

6. Bob Campo (P)

7. Scott Lange (P)
Jim Morrill (A)

8. Bruce Rancourt (P)

9. Mike Perrigo (P)

10. John Plante (P) Aaron Reed (A)

11. Dave Watson (P)

Members

- 12. Paul Hennessey
- 13. Carl Robinson
- 14. Lance Garrett
- 15. Mike Crochiere
- 16. Marc Cote

Call to Order

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

Opening Remarks: WELCOME! New Members/Attendees.

*** MOTION #1 – Approve Agenda as presented.

* Made by: Greg Rouleau

* 2nd: Carl Robinson

* Discussion:

* 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.
- * Made by: Greg Rouleau
- * 2nd: Mike Perrigo * Discussion: None
- * Vote: Carried unanimously

Treasurer's Report:

Money is coming in! ~\$14k gross in from dinner raffle (\$4200 improvement), ~\$12k in from money raffle (\$2800 improvement). Signboard is up \$2400 from last year, and \$34k in so far for the capital campaign.

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

* Made by: Mike Perrigo * 2nd: Shawn Avery * Discussion: None

* Vote: Carried unanimously

Trails Report:

Pretty much everything in the system is signed (maybe one area left). Both Dave and Matt are feeling confident about our trails going into the 16th.

New groomer tracks are still in the works....Dave is working on getting dates from manufacturer.

New 9.5' Mogul Master....thank you Matt Marsh for being such a big player in this!

"We should put a gas-powered post-pounder on the budget for next year."

NO MOTIONS MADE

Membership Report:

61 total TMA's have been sold through the end of November, which is better than last year. Francine Perkins said she is willing to take on *some* responsibilities (from a list) that Steve A and Greg R sent out to her.

NO MOTIONS MADE

Webmaster Report:

Dinner Raffle results are on the website now under "Events", as is the upcoming Ride-In event in February '22.

NO MOTIONS MADE

County Report:

Greg R presented his minutes from this month's county meeting.

The County has \$32.9k in the bank, \$17k of which is incumbered. There was a guest at the county meeting this month (Mike Covey, Vermont Traditions Coalition(VTC)); Major land transaction, 5459 acres has been put up for sale in the Woodbury Mountain area. A land conservation company is looking to purchase (Northeast Wilderness Trust). VTC is saying ACT 250 is going to be a big ticket item with the state legislature this year. Snowmobiling has good people on our side in this case in regards to this major land transaction.

TMAS are up from this time last year. New VAST map available this year.

RRG (internal VAST insurance) is still moving along nicely. Board of Directors has been established, bylaws written, letter of credit, etc. The Bolton club is still unresponsive. VAST may be moving to OFFICIALLY disband Bolton club. Green Mountain Roamers and Mad River Club are going to be adding another parking area near closed down Winooski bridge to allow riders to access that the disconnected sections of trail in that area..

NO MOTIONS MADE

Committee Reports:

Capital Campaign: Money is coming in! Expecting \$1k from Champlain Farms, NSB \$500, Granite Financial \$500....amazing work guys

Signboard: Signboard is in good shape sponsorship-wise. Not much new to report from last month. Steve A/Steve C mentioned that they are looking into getting some sort of lighting set up for this year.

Dinner Raffle: Went very well this year. It was evident across the board that everyone was happy to be back in person this year. Bob C: "Many thanks to all involved". Bob C looking to get out of chairing this event in coming years, willing to train a successor.

Cow Pasture: Marc Cote is now officially approved by Barre City to be a Cow Pasture Committee member. Greg R worked hard to make sure that the revised Land Use Terms and Conditions of the CPC was worded appropriately for current and future usage (meeting that took place between the two parties at the BeeHive). (an agreement between CPC and SnoBees) This is now a done deal. Signed through the city council (15mph speed limit!).

NO MOTIONS MADE

OLD BUSINESS:

Club Ride-in Event: Bob/Dave/John....came up with the "Wayne Pelkey Ride-In for Veterans" this year (with possible intention of continuing it for years to come...with Wayne...or with others!!) Slated for February 26th, noon – 2 up at the BeeHive. Chicken and pasta food will be served for food.

Trail Signs: Project is done, new Signs have been made (thank you Greg R). Signs will be going up.

NO MOTIONS MADE

NEW BUSINESS:

SnoBees Scholarship

- *** MOTION #4 "SnoBees to give, annually, a \$500 scholarship to a person pursuing a career of diesel mechanics and/or snowmobile equipment repair. This will be awarded in the spring of each year after review of applications of candidates for this scholarship."
- * Made by: Paul Hennessey
- * 2nd: Steve Conti
- * MUCH Discussion: "Field of view" maybe a little too narrow for our projected audience/recipients. It was decided that the motion/scholarship was to be re-worded for application presentation.
- *** <u>AMENDED</u> MOTION #4 "SnoBees to give, annually, a \$500 scholarship to a student in the Spaulding H.S. VOTEC center. Preference will be given to a student pursuing a career in the automotive or diesel industry. The scholarship will be awarded in the spring of each year after review of applications of candidates."
- * Vote: Carried unanimously
- *** MOTION #5 Use first 15 minute meeting extension.
- * Made by: Steve Conti
- * 2nd: Shawn Avery
- * Discussion: None
- * Vote: Carried unanimously

Monthly Money Raffle

\$25 (4):

- 1. Rick Garand (#337)
- 2. Lakeside Auto (#208)
- 3. Jason King (#312)
- 4. Tim Ryan (#481)

\$50 (4): Change for this year was to have "3" \$50 drawings every month, instead of 2. As we only drew 2 last month, we will be drawing 4 this month to make up for it. (Back to 3 next month)

- 1. Marc Dessereau (#100)
- 2. Justin Johnson (#385)
- 3. Donna Scott (#75)
- 4. Bill Rowden (#124)

\$100(2):

- 1. Mark Gherardi (#579)
- 2. Andre Bombard (#35)

*** MOTION #6 - ADJOURN

- * Made by: Shawn Avery
- * 2nd: Steve Avery
- * Discussion: NONE
- * Vote: Carried unanimously

THINK SNOW!

Shawa Avery (Club Secretary)