



Meeting Minutes

November 10, 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)
Jim Morrill (A)
9. Bruce Rancourt (P)
10. Mike Perrigo (P)
John Plante (A)
Aaron Reed (A)
11. Dave Watson (P)

Members

12. Gage Simpson
13. Paul Hennessey
14. Carl Robinson
15. Jamie Evans
16. Francine Perkins
17. Elliot Moser

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Steve A.

Opening Remarks: WELCOME! New Members! Proposed change to Agenda...moving the Money Raffle to the end of old business.

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

** Made by: Mike Perrigo*

** 2nd: Greg Rouleau*

** Discussion: Add cow pasture committee to committee reports section.*

** 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: Mike Perrigo*

** 2nd: Paul Hennessey*

** Discussion: None*

** Vote: Carried unanimously*

Treasurer's Report:

A donation of \$100 was received from the Thunderchickens for our Dinner Raffle. Money raffle and sign board income is rolling in. There is roughly \$20.5k in the bank so far for capital campaign income.

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

* *Made by: Greg Rouleau*

* *2nd: Shawn Avery*

* *Discussion: None*

* *Vote: Carried unanimously*

Trails Report:

Matt and Dave are working on a reroute over by end of Dessereau's field down into Casey's property, headed down towards the Barre city damn trail. Paul Systo expected to chip with some equipment assistance.

There are some trees down, and typical preseason work both inside the club house and out. Mountain trail has been widened out a fair amount, looking forward to seeing it with some snow on it this year.

GPS unit will be going in our new groomer.

NO MOTIONS MADE

Membership Report:

Steve A. reminded the club that we are still looking for a person to fill our Membership Officer position, for any new members that may be interested, and for current members to pursue other people they may know.

We have sold 23 TMA's so far (328 total sold last year, just FYI for everyone). Keep pushing for associate memberships!

Volunteer TMAS: Steve A re-read the club's volunteer TMA policy. Steve A and Matt M have compiled the list of volunteer TMA recipients; Greg Rouleau, Bob Campo, Mike Perrigo, Shawn Avery, Paul Hennessey, Gage Simpson, John Plante, Aaron Reed, Stephen Conti, Paul Systo, Bruce Rancourt, Matt Marsh

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:

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

The County has \$29.8k in the bank, \$17k of which is encumbered. VAST surplus from last year's budget will go to the "buildings & equipment" fund. New VAST RRG insurance policy going through licensing process (getting close).

VAST is looking for a new E911 contact sheet from clubs. The assumption now is that the Bolton club is disbanded.

The state is enforcing a New exhaust law....decibel measurement system is gone. Worcester fixed their mountain trail...ready for the season. Cabot trail to Walden (Cabot Connector) is open and finished. Northfield: 12C will be the new trail from Berlin to Northfield. It is considered a "work in progress" quality-wise for the next couple of years, but it will be open for the season.

Additions from Dave W: This is probably Worcester's last year of doing their club responsibilities. Waterbury (Green Mtn Roamers) is also struggling to keep their trails open.

NO MOTIONS MADE

Committee Reports:

Capital Campaign: Money is coming in! Green Mountain Ice is buying the Rangely drag and donating it to the club. 2nd phase (flyer) sent out to all SnoBees TMA purchasers last year. Income is currently sitting (unofficially) at \$30k.

Signboard: ~\$10k in for signboard income, way ahead of where we usually are (great job Steve C), a few new businesses as well!

Dinner Raffle: Set for Friday, December 3rd at the Barre Elks. Media blasts to start next Monday 11/15 to kick off gaining interest. Silent auctions and number raffles to take place....extra income compared to last year being virtual.

Cow Pasture: Productive, positive meeting this month. SnoBees members present were successful at convincing the CPC that it was not an agreement between the two parties (in regards to the new for 2021/2022 CPC trail management rules). A new, updated trail maintenance agreement will be written between the CPC & SnoBees on 11/11 at the BeeHive, with representatives from each group.

NO MOTIONS MADE

OLD BUSINESS:

Club Ride-in Event: This will be taken off of OLD business, but a couple of officers are considering trying to set something up for a ride-in in March sometime, possibly hosted at the BeeHive.

Trail Signs: New "WELCOME!" to SnoBees, New logos. Greg will have the final design signs next month to present.

"Wall of Honor": Dave and Matt are on it once bigger trail projects and groomer maintenance is out of the way.

NO MOTIONS MADE

NEW BUSINESS:

New "Community" Ideas (discussed in old business following the Club Ride-In event)

Someone made the suggestion of the club contributing to a Central Vermont Career Center (Spaulding) scholarship. Great idea for not only getting the SnoBees name out in the community, but for the club to also give back and support the connection between snowmobiling and education in younger generations and our town. (keep em riding!!)

Monthly Money Raffle

TMA (3):

1. Groton Tire and Auto (#205)
2. Nathan Jones (#117)
3. Granite Importers (#95)

\$25 (4):

1. Hunter Chase (#136)
2. Kevin Walbridge (#452)
3. Andrew Ripley (#233)
4. Paul Bagalio (#447)

\$50 (2):

1. Tori Nadow (#416)
2. Scott Norway (#588)

\$100(2):

1. Pat Ross (#427)
2. Dianne Hood (#189)

***** MOTION #1 – ADJOURN**

** Made by: Steve Conti*

** 2nd: Shawn Avery*

** Discussion: NONE*

** Vote: Carried unanimously*

THINK SNOW!

Shawn Avery (Club Secretary)