



**Brule River Riders Snowmobile Club
Twin Gables Restaurant, Brule, WI
April 1, 2021**

The April 1, 2021 meeting was called to order by Vice President Zachary Makela at 7:00 pm.

Secretary's Report: Read and accepted by Dave Whitehead and Brady Brown. MP

Correspondence: Northwestern school news, The Furrow, Midwest Farm and Livestock, and a donation from Team Winnabagoland

Treasurers Report: Report read. Motion to accept treasurer's report by Dave Whitehead and Bruce Bergsten. MP. Motion to pay off tractor loan prior to the purchase of the new tractor by Dave Whitehead, seconded by Nicholas Makela. MP

Groomer Trails:

- Discussion of removing signs from the uptown trail and also in the Poplar fields by Bruce Bergsten and Cliff Walimaki next week.
- In May when the trails dry up, we can start grading on Tri-County Corridor and Wild Rivers Trail.
- There is logging by Harnstrom's, corner of county roads P and B in Lake Nebagamon. There is concern about the trail being moved and the possible need for a ramp to get onto the road to cross.

NTA:

- Eric Shaffer reported that the Solon Springs Snowmobile club wants to give up Trail 41 west to Wild Rivers Trail and Trail 541 over the Gordon Dam. Eric reported that 4 Season Rec club will be getting this trail contract.

AWSC:

- Bruce Bergsten reported on the AWSC Director meeting:
 - Snowmobile registrations as of March 1: 239,494 up 1363
 - AWSC Trail passes 64,880 up 123
 - Non-resident passes 23,379 down 39
 - DNR is working on a solution for signate on state properties
 - Legislation has been drafted to change the 40 foot rule

- Possible \$200,000 bill to pay for GPS tracking devices.
Keep a paper log, at least for the first year.
Clint Meyer was to order all GPS for Douglas County at same time.
- Elections: President: Dave Newman, Vice President: Lori Heideman, Secretary: Sue Smedgard and Treasurer: Lauren Levey
- “Of-The-Year” awards are due by June 30.
- AWSC Office has a new membership program and is working well.
- American Income Life insurance policy was reinstated.
- Meetings: Summer directors meeting: July 23-24
Fall Workshop: October 22-24 at Wilderness in Wisconsin Dells
- AWSC Membership committee had drawing for the top 10% of clubs with largest increases: Superior Storm Riders won \$500.

Tri County Corridor:

- A sign order is being placed.

Social:

- Nothing

Unfinished Business:

- Landowners’ Appreciation: Letters with gift cards will be mailed to our landowners in April.

New Business:

- Discussion of sale of railing off bridge. Motion by Dave Whitehead, seconded by Bruce Bergsten to sell the parts for whatever we can get. MP
- Discussion of moving trail and Hwy 53 crossing – it will be south about halfway to the J-Turn. We will be crossing only 4 lanes of traffic and visibility is a lot better. This will be a big project and Al Makela will not be bidding on. Motion by Dave Whitehead, seconded by Bruce Bergsten to pursue this venture as long as it does not cost the club one dime. MP

Next meeting is May 6, 2021.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Bergsten
Brule River Riders Secretary