



**Brule River Riders Snowmobile Club
Twin Gables Restaurant, Brule, WI
May 4, 2023**

The May 4, 2023, meeting was called to order by President, Alan Makela at 7:01 pm.

Secretary's Report: Minutes were read. Motion to accept by Dave Whitehead and second by Zachary Makela. MP
No correspondence.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer's report was sent by Matt Hughes and read by Al Makela. Motion to accept report by Dave Whitehead, seconded by Bruce Bergsten. MP Matt was able to get into the PayPal account.

Groomer Trails:

- Trails are closed. There are some gates and some signs to pick up. If you see a gate open, please close it and let Bruce Bergsten know. Trail 27 is mostly closed, there are a few cable gates damaged that will be fixed by Dan Gephart. Sign covers need to be picked up. Signs at Lake Minnesuing, Trail #1 and Trail 235 (draw a chart of placement and signs to be kept at Chad Sisko's)
- Fuel tank at Highland was emptied and Cenex has picked up the tank.
- Al Makela is getting the grader and tractor ready for spring.
- If anyone can help pick up sticks and branches off the railroad grades on ATV, that would be helpful. Put this on Facebook.
- Middle River bridge needs patching. Dave Ashley and Bruce Bergsten will go check it out. Also need to check the Nemadji Bridge.
- Blueberry Bridge needs to be looked at, as it was damaged by a snowmobile this winter.

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- All clubs are into supplemental. They are working on the ATV map. A couple of ATV trails in southern Douglas County will be temporarily closing in the fall.

AWSC:

- Bruce Bergsten reported on the 2 bills currently going through legislation:
 - State property business signs – trying to standardize and going before legislation.
 - Increasing supplemental cap from \$900 to \$1500 – going before legislation.

Tri County Corridor:

- Nothing to report.

Social:

- Landowners' Dinner was enjoyed by all. Discussion of a couple of changes for invitations next year.

New Business:

- Bruce Bergsten asked about getting some stumps ground by the Brule Lions Pavilion,
- The tires on the club trailer are 9 years old and need to be watched to replace. Al Makela said to just keep an eye on them and replace as needed.
- Discussion of tank needed for fuel next year. An Amys contacted Al Makela that they have a tank, but Al is not sure if it is a double walled tank. Chad Sisko also voiced that it would be nice to have a larger spare fuel tank for SurTrak. Discussion that trailer may not be big enough. Suggestion to start looking for tank and trailer.
- The Poplar Golf Course has talked with a club member re: a trail from TCC to their restaurant. Need to look at property and discuss. Discussion of ravine.
- Bruce Bergsten has spoken with Clint Meyers and Mark Liebert about getting our portion of the Tri-County Corridor into the jurisdiction of the Brule River Riders, under the Forestry Department. Discussion of how the other counties would feel about it. Bruce will check on this.
- Mileage reimbursement increase discussed. It was thought to be done last fall. Donna Bergsten will check (August 4, 2022 it was increased to 80% of federal guidelines). Donna will also look at the By-laws and Guidelines to see if anything else needs updating.
- Received \$1000 donation from Waino Riders.
- Chad Sisko stated that during the grading season, it is possible to park the tractor at his house instead of leaving on the trail.

Meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Bergsten
BRR Secretary