Kellner Knights Club Meeting Minutes February 13, 2020

@ The Ridges

16 Members present – meeting brought to order 7:01 pm

- 1. Introductions/guests
 - a. Announcements/Guests
- 2. Secretary's Report: Motion to accept made by Justin Conner and 2nd by Dan Muleski. M/S/A
- 3. Treasurers Report: All bills have been paid and reconciled. Motion to accept made by Dan Muleski, 2nd by Kenny Hopfensperger. M/S/A
- 4. Vice Presidents Report
 - a. Membership renewal details: we have 154 member families.
- 5. New Member Coordinator Report; N/A Buss's not present.
- 6. Trail & Equipment Report:
 - a. Trail section updates
 - i. Dennis Moon; N/A not present
 - ii. Tim Zirnhelt; N/A not present
 - iii. Justin Conner/Matt Alft; nothing to report
 - iv. Mike & Shirley Stensberg; N/A not present
 - v. Scott Dougherty/Steve Kinney; N/A will have new coordinators for this section including Brandon Abbott and Cody Conover.
 - vi. Randy Buss; N/A/ not present
 - vii. Josh Lassa; N/A nothing to report
 - viii. Parks; Dan received keys for the new locks for Lake Wazeecha. Provided to the groomers.
 - b. Equipment
 - c. Kiosk map updates; still need to be updated with new maps yet.
 - d. GPS-SNARS; we should consider getting units for next season.
- 7. AWSC
 - a. 51,914 trail passes sold for the season thru December 2019.
 - b. GPS units will likely be mandatory next year.
 - c. Reminder to ask for everyone to stay on marked trails. If you see a violator, get pictures and their sled registration numbers.
- 8. Portage County:
 - a. Received 1st half billing; was included in treasurer report.
 - b. GPS being worked on by Rex.
- 9. Wood County:
 - a. Received 1st half billing; was included in treasurer report.

- b. Country Ride (not sure of event) no word yet if this will happen or not.
- c. GPS needs to be done yet
- d. Wood County Sheriff's department received requests of groomers to be careful of not dragging snow on road crossings. (On northern end of county)
- e. Bridge meeting with Willy Fleck. Sandra Green (Wood County) and Dan Guck met with landowner Willy Fleck about water backing up on the Bloody Run Creek. There is a dam on his property. Estimates it was established back in the 1930's by the County. After further review, the dam is not blocked. With Sandra's help we will approach the City of Wisconsin Rapids and inquire if they are comfortable with a different bridge structure. The club's suggestion is a culvert vs. bridge. Would be much more economical. Dan will continue to work with Sandra.

10. Youth Committee

11. Old Business

- a. Radar Run cancel; lost revenue. Club should consider a different type of fundraiser to replace the lost revenue.
- b. Website update (Group suggestion of county) No action. No volunteers to help with this project.
- c. Nominations for board
 - i. President No nominations yet. Need someone to step forward at take this role for the club.
 - ii. Vice-President (Justin Conner nominated and accepted)
 - iii. Treasurer (Julie Becker nominated and accepted)
 - iv. Secretary (Sue Zirnhelt nominated and accepted)
 - v. Board Member at Large
 - 1. Bobby Donahue 2 years left
 - 2. Shawn Becker 1 year left
 - 3. Open (David Moon nominated and accepted)
- d. Polaris Demo Days @ Anchor Bay Saturday 2/15/20
 - i. Mike Sievers will attend on Saturday to ensure the groomer is present and run the trails to groom at some point during the event.

12. New Business

- a. Cranberry Fest Bingo event (fundraiser opportunity). Club member Maggie Muleski is on the committee for Cranberry Fest. She presented the opportunity for the club to run a bingo stand for multiple timeframes during Cranberry Fest over the 3-day period. Dan will discuss with the board and get back to her.
- b. Social Media messages. Reminder to keep messaging positive. Many are looking for negative opportunities to hurt the snowmobiling community... don't give them a reason.
 - i. Discussion was brought up about keeping Portage County Zone 5 open when able as it is an access point to the trail section for many Village of Plover residents. We will keep in mind and try to accommodate as much as possible. Our goal is to support snowmobiling as much as possible as well as keep trails open to our sponsors.
 - ii. Questions were brought up about how much grooming is done on our Portage County Zone 5 trails. 3 of the 4 groomers were in attendance and answered all questions to confirm the frequency of grooming which is they do run to the east

- edge of the Portage County trail system at least 2 times minimum per week if not more.
- iii. Club also explained and discussed how we have to take into account Wood County concerns about trails being open due to the trails in Grand Rapids and trails in the wooded areas. Portage County trails have very little wooded areas to contend with.
- 13. Adjourn Motion Dan Muleski 2nd Josh Lassa M/S/A 8:15pm