

## Lee River Snow Riders – Executive Meeting Minutes

Date 3/10/2021 Present: ✓ Absent: x

Brad Wall, President	✓	Brian Smiley, Vice President	x
Michelle Walker, Secretary, Public Relations	✓	Randy Hyra, Safety	✓
Guy Walker, Fundraising	✓	Gerry Roskam, Treasurer	✓
Theo Vanderzwan, Grooming	x	Dave Masniuk, Trails	✓
Tim Mandzuk, Buildings	✓	Brian Vrooman, Membership	✓
Vacant , Light Equipment	x		x
Ken Horn, SnoMan	✓	Paula Johnson, Director at Large	✓
Gigi Gauthier, Entertainment	x		x

<b>Call to Order</b>	7:32pm
<b>Review &amp; Additions to Agenda</b>	Agenda amended to include New Trail Budget, Trail Signs/labelling. Moved by Ken . Seconded by Gerry . Carried.
<b>Meeting Minutes</b>	Reviewed and accepted. Moved by Guy. Seconded by Ken. Carried
<b>Treasurer’s Report</b>	Prepared and presented by Gerry Roskam, with discussion. Long term dept no change. Savings \$39K. Chequing \$72.6K Total Cash YTD \$111, 646K. Advertising money still coming. \$3500 coming from Snoman raffle. Revenue will increase by \$2K. Membership money still coming in. \$14,400 so far. Grant income \$20K this year. Expenses – loan payment, fuel estimated at \$10K, honorariums for grooming pending, and repair costs estimated \$2650. Hydro – still working off credit from last year. Insurance \$14K. End of year anticipate cash position of \$105K. Hoping for \$60K from Snoman. Kiosk money \$900 received. Income still pending from clothing. Estimate \$2-3K profit from clothing. Treasurer Report accepted. Moved by Guy. Seconded by Ken. Carried
<b>President</b>	Season has come to an end. A strange season with COVID and warm weather. Thanks for everyone’s efforts in this short season.
<b>Vice President</b>	Not present
<b>Secretary</b>	Note: Virtual meeting via TEAMS. Public Relations – over 200 new friends on Facebook. Lots of “likes”, and excellent comments and posts. 85 friends on Instagram. Article published in March/April 2021 issue of Cottager magazine, “Riders with a Cause” re: Denis Rondeau, COVID precautions and club activities.

## Director’s/Executive Reports

<b>Brad, President</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Already noted.</li> </ul>
<b>Brian, Vice President</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not present</li> </ul>
<b>Guy, Fundraising</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advertising - \$9,287.50 confirmed paid or receiving payment, \$1,029.95 outstanding with reminders sent. Will be \$10,316.95 if all received.</li> <li>• \$1349.25 written off for hut advertising.</li> <li>• Applied for trail grant – will know on March 15.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 other grants for Lac Du Bonnet, and RM Alexander still pending.</li> <li>• Lac Du Bonnet grant is for charitable organizations – should we apply to become one or a registered non-profit?</li> <li>• Possible option with to work with RM of Alexander towards same goal, while remaining a non-profit.</li> </ul>
<b>Gigi, Entertainment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not present.</li> </ul>
<b>Brian, Membership</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 414 members to date. Last year 352. Growth rate of 17%.</li> <li>• Good reviews received from members on clothing.</li> <li>• 274 memberships pre-sold for next year.</li> <li>• For 2023 will start with 227 pre-sold memberships.</li> <li>• 160 memberships up for renewal next year. If all renew, will put us at 434.</li> <li>• Helmet decals – additional 500 produced. May be an in-kind deal or cost at \$400.</li> <li>• Most members want more than one decal. Let Brian know if want more.</li> <li>• Reader board in front of club shed – sign not changed yet. Suggestion to invest in new reader board more easily changed, or rent out to other organizations over the summer to raise money to purchase a new one.</li> <li>• Thanks to everyone for helping out.</li> <li>• Some discussion regarding possible 5 year memberships.</li> <li>• High membership is a good negotiating point with Snoman.</li> </ul>
<b>Theo, Grooming</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Not present</li> <li>• Final tally 3100 Km this season.</li> <li>• Only one repair (Def sensor) on one groomer this season.</li> <li>• Consider coordinating shipping items with other clubs to offset or share shipping costs. Ensure ground shipping only.</li> </ul>
<b>Dave, Trails</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trails are closed now.</li> <li>• Tramway trail to Pointe du Bois has received lots of positive feedback from members. Only 2 complaints received from Pointe Du Bois residents, regarding sled traffic. Cottagers are considering a trail directing sleds to river, and posting private property signs.</li> <li>• Skating trail proposed, which may cross some of our trails.</li> <li>• Directional sign from Rudi's and Timberline is in the bush at the corner by Rudi's, also on Poplar Bay intersection to Steve's – in bush on shore by Steve's trail.</li> </ul>
<b>Tim, Buildings</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Huts are pretty good, besides locks being compromised.</li> <li>• No major repairs required.</li> <li>• Send reminder to members to take garbage back out with them and close doors to huts when leaving.</li> <li>• Hasps and locks removed from Rose's and Joyce's. Rest to be removed next year.</li> <li>• Snow fence will go up across trails once quad season is finished.</li> <li>• Brad will take lock and hasp off Anson's hut.</li> <li>• For next year, plan siding at Joyce's. Maybe windows to be changed at Rudi's.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need weatherstripping on shop doors at groomer shed.</li> </ul>
<b>Randy, Safety</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nothing to report.</li> <li>• Signing from Joyce's to Kings was completed before season end.</li> <li>• Audit is every 3 years, so no audit planned for next year.</li> </ul>
<b>Vacant, Light Equipment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All is in good shape.</li> <li>• Polaris sled will need a battery for next year.</li> <li>• The Expedition is giving trouble, cutting out.</li> <li>• Skidoo needs work (ski boots), battery is weak.</li> </ul>
<b>Ken, Snoman</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board meeting upcoming.</li> <li>• ERSA meeting - Brokenhead will groom 44 to Sedon's corner</li> <li>• SnoPals – wants to put up signs “Entering Snopal trails”, and “Leaving Lee River trails” and vice versa.</li> <li>• Shelter guardians – signs for huts giving recognition.</li> <li>• Also trail guardians signs.</li> <li>• SnoPals put camera at King's Kookout with sign re: surveillance.</li> </ul>
<b>Paula, Director at Large</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minor issues with clothing sale - wrong email addresses for 5 or 6 people.</li> <li>• Cost for embroidery, digitizing - \$4100. Brought in \$5900. Still \$1700 owing, Trappers still \$1300 owing for items there.</li> <li>• 6 hoodies left, handful of jackets.</li> <li>• Another small embroidery fee for backorders. \$500.</li> <li>• Profit \$4-500.</li> <li>• Sold estimated 200 pieces of clothing in total, 90-100 jackets.</li> <li>• Total 56 jackets wanted 2 logos, back and front. More men's jackets sold than women's.</li> <li>• Decision to donate a jacket each to Glen and Anna at Trapper's in recognition of their support, and photo op.</li> <li>• Also suggestion to donate a jacket to Rudi, and John for assistance with welding.</li> <li>• Consider adding neck warmers and balaclavas for next year.</li> </ul>

## Old Business Review

Two-stage air compressor for next season	Keep eyes open for next year.
Grant application for trails	Already submitted.
New trail update	<p>Parks branch submitted a letter on our behalf to an indigineous committee for approval. They have 16 days to respond. With no response, it is approved. No opposition anticipated.</p> <p>With that, all approvals will have been received to put trail to Bernik lake.</p> <p>Tanco – operations manager contacted and has no issues with plan. Lithium deposits at Shatford lake, but trail does not encroach. Will put signs to avoid road and thin ice near the mine.</p>
Prinoth shipping issues	Completed

## New Business

New Trail Budget	<p>Ken was speaking to contractor, Don, regarding a small caterpillar – charges \$90 an hour for machine and operator. If get all trail approvals, may use this source for first few kilometers of trail as long as weather allows. May also check with Gil Gauthier.</p> <p>Potential budget for trail clearing dependent on grants received – estimated \$9-10K.</p> <p>All agreed that new trail will be dedicated to Denis Rondeau. Tramway section will be named after Brittany.</p>
<b>MOTION: Allocate \$9000 budget for new trail clearing.</b>	<b>Moved by Ken. Seconded by Gerry. All in favour. Carried</b>
Trail signs and labelling	<p>Want trails labelled as LRSR trails at entry points. Consider for next season, with sponsors for each sign.</p> <p>Also need 24 hour grooming signs for next season.</p>

**Next Executive Meeting:**

**Wednesday, April 7, 2021**

**7:30 pm**

**Adjournment:**

**Moved by Ken , Seconded by Gerry**

**9:23 pm**