

"Stimulate interest in the development of safe use of snowmobiles for enjoyment and recreation."

# 7:30 pm Club Meeting / **Thursday, October 2**<sup>nd</sup> Pizza Ranch

1. Meeting was called to order: 7:33pm

Approval of September Meeting Minutes: Emailed out & loaded to the website (Action)

Motion: Casey Weismantel Second: Dan Rohrbach

3. Approval of September Financial Report: / Lisa Friedt

(Action)

- Membership \$3,470.32
- Checking \$22,877.27
- CD 18 mo / (07/09/2024) \$10,190.53
- CD (03/10/2024) \$10,190.53
- CD 5 mo / (05/09/2024) \$11,209.59

Membership Report / Lisa Friedt

Current # Members: 47

Current # Associate Members: 8

Presented by Lisa Friedt

Motion: Kelly Weaver Second: Cheryl Gelling

### 4. SDSA District III Report / Lee Olson -

a. As a club we should start thinking about nominations for snowmobiler of the year awards as nominations are due in November. New category for Dealer of the Year. To be considered for the award, the nominees should be present at Convention. Nomination forms are available on SDSA website, as are convention registration forms.

The state did enter a contract with consultants to do mobile surveying to look at trail usage in the Black Hills area using cell phone data. This will help determine how many non-SD residents are utilizing the trail system.

New at Convention this year, an auction is being established with all funds going to snowmobilers for snowmobilers.



- 5. Advisory Report / (Contact Needed)
  - a. No new report currently
- 6. Trail Report / Jim Weaver
  - a. If signs are needed for marking trails, please let Jim Weaver know as trails can go in beginning November 1st. Reach out to landowners to let them know when they will be marked as a courtesy. SnoCat had some issues including a faulty brake line. It was repaired in time for the parade.
- 7. YETI Report / (Contact Needed)
  - a. National YETI ride in Yellowstone. If anyone is interested, please let Kelly Weaver know for additional contact information. This event will be in February.
- 8. Safety Report / (Contact Needed)
  - a. No new report currently. Discussion: Is it time for us to start offering the online safety course in person again? Not many are taking advantage of the online option currently. Advertise in next newsletter and put out sign-up sheet at show-and-shine to determine interest.
- 9. Charity Report / Lisa Friedt
  - a. Make sure everyone is documenting volunteer hours, especially as people are starting to mark trails. Convention planning hours can also be included.
- 10. Publicity & Social Media / Casey Weismantel
  - a. Nothing new to report.

#### 11. Old Business

- a. Fall Camp out
  - Recap
  - Discussion on Thunder Road Go Karts (Tickets verses Rental) Would it be cheaper/more economical to buy complimentary tickets for those who would want to ride. It probably would be. Will look at options next year, may depend upon hours Thunder Road is open during that time.



#### b. NSU Homecoming Parade

 Went well, first year with the SnoCat and drag in the Parade also had truck/trailer with snowmobiles throwing candy. 4 boxes of candy were about right. It seemed to get the crowds attention. Will plan on doing it again next year.

#### c. **Sno Plainsman Articles** (Members to sign up)

Please submit article to Mary Anne Grabow, Editor/Publisher <a href="mailto:sdsa@itcel.com">sdsa@itcel.com</a> Mary Anne asked articles to be submitted before the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month.

September Article – Due mid-August – Weismantel's - Done
October Article – Due mid-September – Malsam's - Done
November Article – Due mid-October – Nagel's - Due
December Article – Due mid-November – Weismantel's
January Article – Due mid-December – Olson / Gelling / Jager
February Article – Due mid-January – Weaver's
March Article – Due mid-February – Malsam's
April Article – Due mid-March – Weismantel's

d. Any other OLD Business?

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#### 12. New Business

- a. 2026 Aberdeen Convention Corner (Quick Updates)
  - i. Forms are being created. Theme, dates, and location has been selected. More details to come.
  - ii. Gun Raffle Ticket Sales Tickets to turn in / Tickets to check out
- b. 2025 International Snowmobile Day Show, Shine, & Sell Event October 25, 2025 Any new Ideas?
  - i. Ken's Super Fair Foods Parking Lot Same format as last year. (Confirmed)
  - ii. Set up at 10:00am Event from 11:00-3:00
  - iii. Kevin said we could use the lunch shack Need to remind
  - iv. Switching to BBQ instead of hotdogs
  - v. Get the word out to increase participation
  - vi. Have an area for "sleds for sale"
  - vii. Pay to boost the event on social media? (\$20-\$50)

## c. Aberdeen Drift Buster Snowmobile Club Auto Window and Snowmobile Decal

i. \$10.00 per set / Contact Casey



Next Meeting: November 6, 2025

Possible Location: Allevity Entertainment

Adjourn Meeting: 8:09pm

Motion: Casey Weismantel Second: Cheryl Gelling