

Fifield Sno Drovers Meeting Minutes

Pat Ley – President N14710 Shady Knoll Road, Park Falls, WI 54552

Below are the Minutes from the September 11, 2025 meeting

See you at our October meeting!

Meeting called to order by President, Pat Ley at 7:00 pm

A Quorum was met with 12 members attending the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members.

SECRETARY REPORT

Minutes from the April 2025 meeting were emailed to all members. Peggy Kuss reviewed the minutes from April to remind everyone of the business that was addressed at our last meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Jim Clemmons/2nd by Cindy Ley. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT

The Treasurer's report was presented by Peggy Kuss in Melissa Dupke-Bourgeois absence. The report covered the period of April 11, 2025 to September 10, 2025 and included expenditures, deposits and ending balance. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Jeff Eibergen/2nd by Roy Funk. Motion carried.

Membership: 129 (individual, business and landowner memberships)

TRAIL AND EQUIPMENT REPORT

Roy Funk, Trail Boss, reported that he had worked with the Dirt Devils on a trail workday. He also reported that a 4 x 4 post had been taken down by UTV/ATV. New signs are needed for this post. Roy showed the members present the new replacement sign which optimized the information and included the trail/route number, directionals, etc.

There are seven trail workdays planned beginning September 27th at 9 am for around three hours.

The tractor has not been replaced as of now. The plan is to use the existing tractor for the 2025-2026 season. The bucket needs repair. Pat Ley, President will coordinate this repair.

Mike Sloane volunteered to do some mowing. He was asked to use the buddy system and not mow alone. Pat Ley had spoken to Lucas Bacholl regarding removing brush along our trails. Normally this is done by volunteers with hand tools but due to excessive growth over the summer, it was decided to look at a service to support this task. Lucas charges \$85 per hour and it will take approximately three weeks before beginning our trails. A motion was made by Mike Sloane to utilize the services of Lucas Bacholl at a cost not to exceed \$8,000. Second by Roy Funk. Motion carried.

Groomer Update

There was no report.

County Meeting (PCSTA) Report

Pat Ley reported that the Price county supplemental payment will be 100% of what was entered into SNARS pending completion of any audit that is conducted.

The Dirt Devils will be receiving Federal funding. Pat will approach Joe Carper regarding the Sno Drovers receiving some of the funding for work that was completed on the dual use trails.

Peggy Kuss updated the members on the PCSTA BOGO program. There will be two cards (north and south), each containing 18 establishments. The program kicks off November 1st so establishments will be receiving their packets in October.

Old Business

Jim Clemmons, Vice President reported that there still may be map boxes at establishments that he has not picked up. A follow up with Mary Dupke-Bourgeois is needed to determine if her contact can make new map boxes for the Sno Drovers.

Pat Ley reported that the Pigs have been removed from Federal land per the USFS request. Pat would like to place the Pigs at the following locations: Moose Jaw and Musky Jacks pending their permission and at the Oneida county line. The Pig signs that will be ordered soon will include a QR code for donations.

New Business

The AWSC workshop will be held in Stevens Point on October 24-26th. If you are interested in attending, please contact Peggy or Pat. The agenda for the meeting can be found at <u>AWSC</u>.

The event cards and event posters list our January 15, 2026 meeting being held at Kountry Kafe. We will need to move this meeting to another location as they will be closed during the January 15th timeframe. This meeting will be moved to The Big Dipper pending their agreement to host.

Derek Dieringer, Communications Director, will update the members in October regarding the results of the survey that was conducted last Spring.

Derek will also speak to the members in October regarding an apparel order.

A Fun Day donation of a Stihl battery powered blower and weed wacker was made at a cost of \$680. This donation raised \$1,250 for the Pike Lake Fire Fighters, Inc.

Additionally, a donation to the Town of Fifield for the update of the playground was approved by the Board. This donation was in the amount of \$1,000.

The members present at the meeting would again like to be involved with the Santa's Elves program in Fifield. This program collects gift donations for children in need in our area. It is recommended that gifts in the amount of \$50 be donated. Cash can also be given. A motion was made by Jim Clemmons/2nd by Otto Kuss that the Sno Drover responsibility for the donation be limited to a maximum of 10 gifts (\$500) in the event that all of the childrens' tags are not spoken for.

The Kickoff Party will be held at Moose Jaw on November 8th. Mary Dupke-Bourgeois is responsible for this event. You will be hearing more about donations, etc. at our October meeting.

There being no additional business, a motion was made by Roy Funk/2nd by Cindy Ley to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Kuss, Secretary