



Fifield Sno Drovers *Meeting Minutes*

Pat Ley – President

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Below are the Minutes from the March 12, 2026 meeting

See you at our last meeting of the season on April 9th at Merri Cassidy's

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

A Quorum was met with 23 members attending the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members.

SECRETARY REPORT

Minutes from the February 2026 meeting were emailed to all members. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Rick Sironi/2nd by Cindy Ley. Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT

The Treasurer's report was presented by Melissa Dupke-Bourgeois. The report covered the period of February 12, 2026 to March 11, 2026, and included expenditures, deposits and ending balance. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Jeff Eibergen/2nd by David Dick. Motion carried.

Membership: 249 (individual, business and landowner memberships)

TRAIL AND EQUIPMENT REPORT

Roy Funk, Trail Boss, reported that the Sno Drovers have had a very successful season. We have received many compliments on our trails. Trails were open 10 weeks. By decision of the USFS and Price County, the trails closed on Friday, March 6th. Wands and barrels have been removed from the lakes and gates closed. There is some maintenance needed on our drag. It was a great year from all aspects. The Sno Drovers groomed for 580 hours. Our contract was met meaning additional grooming hours will also be paid.

GROOMER UPDATE

Mike Ida, Groomer Coordinator, reported that all groomers are returning next season. Mike has invited groomers to provide feedback as he does every year and he has also asked them to share their preference for the PCSTA to purchase a Tucker or tractor in the future. He has received comments which are 50/50 on the groomers' preference.

David Dick inquired about placing a sign on the back of the drag indicating sleds should remain 200 feet behind the drag based on a safety issue he had with a sled following too close.

PCSTA REPORT

Pat Ley, President, brought the members up to date on the March 9th, 2026 PCSTA meeting. The clubs in Price County groomed a total of 2,461 hours.

Joel Eder, Recreation Officer with Price County, attended the meeting and reported on his activities this season to enforce our snowmobile regulations.

Pricing on the Tucker and tractor was provided by Troy Larson, PCSTA President. The PCSTA was quoted \$312,000 by Lulich Implement for the purchase of a T-180 tractor with a trade in amount of \$120,000 for our current tractor. The Tucker pricing came in at \$286,000 if we prepay. A purchase would not be made for quite some time.

Nathan Matter will be facilitating a groomer tracking webinar on Wednesday, March 25th at 7:00 pm. This webinar is to explain advantages for the clubs, riders and local businesses to utilize the Groomer Tracking System (GTS Trails). Click on the link to register: [Webinar Registration](#).

Melissa Dupke-Bourgeois has accepted the responsibility for the PCSTA map project and will be contacting businesses.

OLD BUSINESS

Winter Run

Melissa Dupke-Bourgeois, Treasurer, reviewed the Winter Run financials. She reported that 126 Run Sheets were purchased with 117 being turned in. Kudos to the planning team for a job well done. Mary Dupke-Bourgeois, Events Coordinator, reported the setting up early was good. She noted that the attendance was way up.

Club Rides

In Derek Dieringer's absence Pat Ley revisited this season's Club rides. Peggy Kuss, Secretary, asked the members to reflect on the reasons they did not participate.

Cash Raffle Update

Melissa has collected sold tickets and asks for assistance from Club members to push the remaining tickets. She suggested attending an event being held on Butternut Lake this Saturday, March 14th as a possibility. If anyone can help, please contact Melissa.

Elections

Elections were held and the following individuals were elected for a two-year term in ending March 2028:

Pat Ley, President

Peggy Kuss, Secretary

Mike Ida, Groomer Coordinator

Mary Dupke-Bourgeois, Events Coordinator

Rick Sironi thanked the Officers and Board members for their work this season.

NEW BUSINESS

All Worker's Party

The All Worker's Party will be held on March 21, 2026 at The Birches. They will open for the Sno Drover party. The cash raffle winners will be drawn as well. If you have volunteered over the course of the season in any manner, you are invited to attend.

A brief discussion took place regarding the Welcome to Price County event. Members believe this event should be held again in the future. The nature of the event allows short-term planning. Melissa shared that Moose Jaw did not accept reimbursement for the \$2 coupons redeemed at their establishment. A big thank you to Jason and Angie.

The April 9th meeting will be moved to Merri Cassidy's in Fifield as Peninsula Pines will not be open on that date. Please make a note of it.

A motion to adjourn was made by Rick Sironi/2nd by Terry Mantor to adjourn at 7:50 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Kuss, Secretary