

## **Minutes of Presidents Meeting**

**September 18, 2018**

**Gunstock Ski Area, Gilford, NH**

Meeting called to order at 7:01 pm by President Beth Horvath-Palmer

### **Roll Call**

Officers Present:           President, Beth Horvath-Palmer  
                                  Vice President, Lucy Ford  
                                  Secretary, Tom Willand  
                                  Treasurer, Dan Weed

Directors Present:         Warren Piquette, Nelly Roache, Don Foote, Lisa Charrette, Kim Bergeron,  
                                  Dean Beaman, Cheryl Spillane, Charlie Kurtz, Evelyn Ferrell, Scot Heath,  
                                  Susan Phillips, Maxwell Duncanson, Rob Kennedy, Don McMurchy, Joe  
                                  Gorman, Russ Neal, Mike Joyce, Roger Wright.

Directors Absent/Excused: David Murray, Terry Callum.

Office Staff Present:     Executive Director Dan Gould, Administrative Assistant Stephanie A.  
                                  Davis.

Approve Agenda

Salute to Flag

Introduction of Guests:   Chief Chris Gamache, Lisa Meffert of Bureau of Trails, Captain Dave  
                                  Walsh, Dave Gazaway of Allied Insurance, Sandi Cochrane of allied  
                                  Insurance, Robert Kelly of Easterseals NH, NHSA Past Presidents Craig  
                                  Mayo, Dana Cabana, John Violette, and Harold Case.

President's Comments:   Beth welcomed everyone to the 2018/2019 snowmobile season. She  
                                  outlined the work that the Association has been doing over the summer  
                                  and stated the Association works 365 days a year for snowmobiling in  
                                  New Hampshire. Beth thanked everyone for their support during her  
                                  presidency. She encouraged everyone to check out the website and their  
                                  email. She commended Dan for his work on Sno-Traveler.

Secretary's Report: Strafford County Director Joe Gorman moved to accept the August minutes with NHSA Vice President Lucy Ford seconding. Motion passed with a change to page three, paragraph 1, line 1: "Terry gave Dan Gould chairman of the committee" will be changed to "Terry gave Dan Gould the position of chairman of the committee."

Treasurer's Report Strafford County Director Joe Gorman moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Hillsborough County Director Scot Heath seconded. Motion passed.

Executive Director's Report Dan stated the office has been busy over the summer. He encouraged clubs to submit club news to Sno-Traveler and explained the process for submissions. He said clubs need to contact the office if they are not getting emails. The office is finalizing the agenda for Trailmasters Meeting and the registration email will be going out shortly after Grass Drags. Dan stated volunteers are the foundation of the Association and to call the office with any questions.

#### STATE AGENCIES:

Bureau of Trails: Chief Gamache stated each person had received a copy of his report and he outlined the major points.

NH Fish and Game: Captain Walsh stated that there are only 36 conservation officers to patrol the whole state. There have been two new positions approved for strictly OHRV/snowmobile enforcement and they will most likely be sent to Coos County as that is where the higher traffic volume is. He stated the department is working on signage regarding hand signals.

Easters Seals NH: Rob Kelly reported it was a fantastic summer at Camp Sno Mo. The campers were part of Adventure Crew 1919 and earned merit badges through Boy Scouts of America and can transfer to troops in their home area for the rest of the year. Over the summer, campers earned almost 400 badges. There were over 170 kids at camp this summer. He thanked NHSA for their support.

Correspondence: None

Guests Wishing to Speak: Dave Gazaway of Allied Insurance spoke to three points on the insurance policy.  
 Club members must be an NHSA member as well for the member to be covered by the Allied policy.  
 63 clubs purchased the Supplemental Volunteer Accident Policy which covers the cost between what personal health insurance covers and the total bill in the event of an accident.  
 Allied is working toward moving to electronic delivery entirely within the next year. Please confirm the correct email to send documents to in the club.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Advisory Board	No report.
Annual Meeting	Tom Willand reported that the 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Annual Meeting Gala will be held at the Mountainview Grand Hotel May 18, 2019.
Assessment Committee	No meeting.
Club Support	No meeting/no report
Grass Drags	Ev reported there will be some new vendors this year. Friday night will be amateur night with the pros on Saturday and Sunday. Watercross will be East meets West. RaveX will perform Saturday and Sunday. Online camping soldout. Saturday night will be the bonfire and concert. The kids 120 track is back. She encouraged clubs to send volunteers. They can earn 5-20% more beyond club hours. She explained that the NHSA puts on the Drags because the Association needs a fundraiser too as well as helping the clubs.
Insurance Committee	No report.
Legislative	The only news was regarding the biomass bill that Chief Gamache reported on.
Map & Trails/WMNF	Trailmasters Meeting is on November 17 and details will be in Sno-Traveler and on website.
Membership/PR	Lucy is picking up the trailer and sled for Super Raffle. Roger addressed the security of the server the portal is housed on and addressed the 00-0000 issue.
Marketing	No report.
Nominations	A Contributor/Dealer Director is needed..
Registration Program Review	Dan presented the attached PowerPoint on behalf of Terry. Discussion ensued.
Ride-In/Search	Nelly drew the 50/50 raffle.
Scholarship	No report.

Finance No report.

COFFEE BREAK

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS:

BELKNAP	Warren Piquette: No meeting
CARROLL	Don Foote: Meeting 10/02
CHESHIRE	Kim Bergeron: Meeting 9/27
COOS	Cheryl Spillane: No meeting
GRAFTON	Ev Ferrell: Meeting 9/26
HILLSBOROUGH	Scot Heath: Meeting 9/24
MERRIMACK	Maxwell Duncanson: Meeting 10/01
ROCKINGHAM	Rob Kennedy: Meeting 9/24
STRAFFORD	Joe Gorman: Meeting 9/25
SULLIVAN	Mike Joyce: Meeting 10/08

PRESIDENTS FORUM: Many topics were discussed including the registration program proposal, capital reserve fund, among others.

ADJOURN: Coos County Director Cheryl Spillane moved the meeting adjourn. Rockingham County Director Rob Kennedy seconded. Meeting adjourned at 9:41 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Stephanie A. Davis  
NHSA Administrative Assistant