

Minutes of the NHSA Board of Directors
March 21, 2023
NHSA Tilton Office

Meeting Called to order at 7:10 pm by President T. Willand.

Roll Call

Officers:	President	Tom Willand	
	Vice President	Brian Labrie	
	Treasurer	Nigel Croxon	
	Secretary	Jayne McCulloch	
	Past President	Chris Runnals	
Directors:	Belknap Director	Nelly Roache	
	Assistant	Melissa Binette	Absent
	Carroll Director	Tom Taylor	
	Assistant	Sean Pinard	
	Cheshire Director	Kim Bergeron	Absent
	Assistant	Dan Shelley	Absent
	Coos Director	Charlie Kurtz	
	Assistant	Gail Hanson	Absent
	Grafton Director	Evelyn Ferrell	
	Assistant	Deb Davis	Absent
	Hillsborough Director	Susan Phillips	
	Assistant	Marc Phillips	
	Merrimack Director	Bruce Blye	
	Assistant	Scott Palmer	
	Rockingham Director	Mark Pepper	
	Assistant	Gary Scott	Absent
	Strafford Director	Russ Neal	Absent
	Assistant	Nick Bickford	
	Sullivan Director	Terry Callum	
	Assistant	Ian Gates	Absent
	Business Director	Vacant	
Office Staff:	Executive Director	Dan Gould	
	Administrative Assistant	Janis Riley	

Salute to the Flag

Agenda: T. Callum motioned to approve the agenda as printed, C. Runnals seconded.
Motion carries.

Introduction of Guests: Bureau of Trails - Craig Rennie, Chief - Alexis Rudko, Deputy Chief
Fish & Game - Captain Michael Eastman
Past President - Roger Wright

Keene Sno-Riders - Jeremy Evans
Umbagog Snowmobile Association - Dottie Kurtz

- President's Comments: T. Willand - Thank you to B. Blye and S. Palmer for providing dinner tonight.
- Secretary's Report: Motion by C. Runnals to approve the Secretary's Report as written, seconded by S. Phillips. Motion carries.
- Treasurer's Report: Motion by C. Runnals to approve the Treasurer's Report as printed, seconded by B. Blye. Motion carries.
- Executive Director's Report: D. Gould - April meeting will have nominations for "Lyle 'Fib' McBurney Memorial Award". Wild NH Day is scheduled for April 15, looking for volunteers to help in the NHSA Trailer. Camp Sno-Mo Fishing Day is scheduled for July 2. Took Tom Sexton, Northeast Region Rail-to-Trails Director for a snowmobile ride. He had never been on an extended snowmachine ride. He had a blast. Attended the Executive Council ride with Bureau of Trails. Ray Burton award nominations for grants are due by April 1. Annual awards nominations are due April 1. Discussed the JD Grooming flyer handed out in packet.
- State Agencies:
- Craig Rennie, BOT - Discussed Councilor Ride. Hired a Non-Motorized Coordinator, Andrew Pacuk, paid by Division of Parks & Recreation. He will also be the chainsaw safety trainer. Discussed grant awarded for \$1M for GIS mapping and \$3M for state grooming equipment. Discussion on Landowner lists. Example was provided.
- Alexis Rudko, BOT - Discussed RTP. 2021 projects are being closed out. All but one project in 2022 is complete. 2023 projects are in review. Three informational sessions for RTP; 5/17 (2 sessions) and 5/24. GIA - Discussed handouts. County Advisors will need to sign the spring grant applications. Applications will be posted and emailed on Monday, April 3. Working on updating GIA Rules to include new landowner lists requirements.
- B. Blye discussed clubs purchasing side by sides and the need to update classifications.
- Mark Pepper - discussion on ATV's riding on trails when temps are over 32 degrees.
- Captain Michael Eastman - Fish & Game - Total registrations for 2023 season were 37,572. A decrease of 7,748 from last season. 22 reported snowmobile accidents for the season. Discussion on upcoming increase in 2024 season registration fee.

No break

Committee Reports:

Ride-In: D. Gould - No report

Advisory Board: C. Kurtz - Discussion on changing the Advisory Board meeting to a camp weekend at Branch Brook Campground, Campton, NH.

Annual Meeting: J. McCulloch - Meeting being held 5/21 at the Barn on the Pemi. Annual Awards forms are up on the NHSA website. Deadline for nominations is 4/1. Encourage your clubs to submit nominations. Janis is working on sending out club membership lists with the total number of delegates.

Assessment: T. Taylor - No meeting

Club Support: S. Phillips - Working on list of fundraising ideas for clubs. Ev suggested a handbook to be made available for clubs. Sue is working on one.

Exploring of Trails: R. Wright has ordered stay on trail signs to pass out to clubs at the Trails Meeting. Roger does not have time to dedicate to committee - needs replacement. Discussion on continuing the committee.

Finance: N. Croxon - Next month we will be working on the budget. Let Nigel know of any additions requested.

Grass Drags: E. Ferrell - working on budget.

Insurance: No report.

Legislative: B. Labrie - discussion on legislative breakfast. Well received. Ideas - NHSA trailer and sled at Concord?

Marketing: No Report.

Membership/PR: B. Labrie - wrap up of super raffle. 59 clubs participated. \$89,148 clubs shared. Checks went out last week.

R. Wright - discussion on membership portal/program. Suggests that we investigate a new program.

B. Blye made a motion to move forward in finding a new vendor for membership program. Seconded by C. Runnals. Motion carries.

T. Callum made a motion that the membership committee be authorized to purchase the new membership program. Seconded by C. Kurtz. Motion carries.

Nominations: T. Willand - No change since last month.

Scholarship: No Report.

Trails: No Report.

Confidentiality Policy: No Meeting.

Director's Reports: C. Runnals made a motion we do not review Directors Reports due to time. Seconded by T. Callum. Motion carries.

Correspondence: None

Old Business: Rules of Business amendments in red, as outlined at 1/17/23 board meeting.

C. Runnals made a motion that we remove the annual meeting changes and the amendments off the table. Seconded by E. Ferrell. Motion carries.

C. Runnals motions that we adopt the changes to the annual meeting rules and the amendments to the rules of business as presented on the agenda tonight. Seconded by E. Ferrell. Motion carries.

1. MEETINGS i Annual Meeting - The NHSA office shall send clubs a list of their members in good standing by March 31 of that year. Clubs must report their Delegates and Alternates in writing to the NHSA office by the registration deadline of April 15 of that year in order to be eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting. There shall not be more than one club Alternate for each Delegate registered for the Annual Meeting. Any registered Delegate or Alternate may represent and register to vote for a maximum of one club. One member is allowed one vote for the club they declared themselves to be a delegate for. All registered Delegates and Alternates must sign-in 10 minutes prior to the call to order to be recognized as a voting participant.

3. AMENDMENTS a. Any member of the Board of Directors or any Executive Officer may propose amendments to the New Hampshire Snowmobile Association Rules of Business. Amendments must be presented to the Board of Directors in writing. Amendments shall be voted on at a meeting of the Board of Directors held ~~at least sixty (60)~~ forty-five (45) days after the amendment(s) are submitted. Amendments must be adopted by a vote of five (5) Board of Directors or a 2/3 majority vote, whichever is larger.

New Business: None

Adjourn: Motion made by T. Callum to adjourn at 9:40 pm. Seconded by S. Phillips. Motion carries.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jayne McCulloch, Secretary