

GKMA 2021
February 3, 2021 (VIA Microsoft Teams)

Call to order: 7:06pm

Members Present: Barry Rokosh, Chris Brochu, Dennis Rombough, Justin Fellenz, Chuck Harder, Murray Dochstader, Dan Mackenzie, Stuart Patton, Linda Bailey, Quintin Raasch, Dallas Shannon, Bradley Kozubski, Ashley and Mike Rorison

Barry Rokosh made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd by Bradley Kozubski, motion carried.

The minutes for January will be posted on the GKMA website.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Dennis Rombough)

Dennis welcomed everyone to our meeting. He is excited about the 2021 season. We should be able to host The Big Kahuna as Whispering Pines is a large compound so COVID-19 protocols should be able to be followed easily. Quintin has teams already designated from last year, so hopefully the planning and prep will run smoothly. He is hoping that our club can host a Poker Run, Family Rides and Mens and Ladies Nights. We will also have to organize our Duffy Lake hosts, as well.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: (Alex Williamson)

Alex could not get connected, so was unable to attend.

LAND-USE: (Chris Brochu and Brad Kozubski)(Quintin Raasch will act as a liason)

Chris reported that there isn't much to do right now due to the conditions, but will plan to take some walks where there is planned logging as soon as the snow melts. Stuart Patton mentioned that he has been approached by a Sun Peaks resident about establishing some dirt bike trails in the Sun Peaks area and has prepared a proposal that Stuart will forward to Chris and Brad.

X-COUNTRY: (Quintin Raasch)

Quintin touched base about the importance of a membership drive for "active" members, not just names on a list. He suggested doing more trail clearing for families and focusing on the Trail Act. Quintin has the PNWMA COVID-19 racing rules. The PNWMA is strongly encouraging that we host this race, especially since it is the first race of the season. Quintin will move

forward with the planning stage. The race will have to be stripped down to follow safe protocols. He is still waiting on the Whispering Pines Motorsports Compound COVID-19 rules. Ashley Rorison questioned as to whether the PNWMA has mentioned anything about keeping it local as to help reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 from other areas. Quintin has not heard anything definite about that as of yet.

FINANCE: (Stuart Patton)

Stuart reported on the Revenue/Expense report for January. There really isn't too much going on right now except a yearly fee for our new web provider.

MEMBERSHIPS: (Murray Dochstader)

Murray reported that we currently have 40 members and most of the members are new to our club.

COMMUNICATIONS: (Justin Fellenz)

Justin sent out a welcome newsletter. He introduced Dallas Shannon from Traction E-Rag. Justin invited him to possibly offer some suggestions for memberships and club events.

ICE RACING: (Dan McKenzie)

Dan is hopeful to give ice racing another shot next year. The conditions up at Stake Lake were not conducive for racing this year as it turns out, regardless of COVID-19.

NEW BUSINESS:

Murray discussed the possibility of having t-shirts, hoodies, and sweatshirts made to sell to GKMA members and is looking into prices, availability, and delivery costs. Justin Fellenz suggested possibly using pre-paid Canada Post envelopes. Chris Brochu mentioned that we could possibly approach some sponsors to help bring down the costs. The sponsors would have their company logo and name on the shirts, as well. Chuck Harder spoke about some membership incentive ideas, Barry Rokosh suggested that the maps that members are sent should be on a yearly subscription since they are the main reason that our memberships have increased. Once members are sent the maps, they have them forever. Barry also mentioned his concerns about hosting a race this Spring as COVID-19 is still not under control. We had a

lengthy discussion about the safety and responsibility of hosting a race. Dennis finally suggested that we table the discussion until our March monthly meeting as there is so much to consider and protocols are constantly changing. We will have to see how things play out in the next few months. Quintin Raasch will contact Sarah to get more information as to how the PNWMA runs their races for some further direction.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:40pm

Next meeting: March 3, 2021