

NBFSC AGM Minutes

SUNDAY, May 5th, 2019: MIRAMICHI, N.B.

1. Call to Order

President Scott Ralston called the meeting to order at 9:19.

2. Establishment of Quorum and reading of Notice of Meeting.

Sandy Young, on behalf of NBFSC Executive Secretary, Paul Robichaud, advised the assembly, that there were 43 of a possible 50 clubs in attendance, and 121 out of a possible 179 delegates in attendance. Clubs not in attendance were:

5 – Fredericton Snowmobile Club

14 – Rogersville Snowmobile Club

39 – Victoria County Snowmobile Club

42 – Twin Rivers Snowmobile Club

63 – Memramcook Snowmobile Club

67 St. Croix Ridge Runners

72 – Canterbury Fosterville Meductic Snowmobile Club

3. Introduction of Federation's Guests & Corporate Partners

John Clark – John Clark CPA, Professional Corporation

Corporate Partners:

Darrell Dorey – AIL

Lori Walls – Ramada

Mario Breton – Equipement Plannord

Ashley Smith – Danny's Hotel

Lee Blanchette – Moose Valley Sporting Lodge

Mario Levasseur - Grey Rock Casino

Mark MacDonald – City Argo, Miramichi

Robert Fawcett – JDI

Peter Thompson – Relais St. Maure

Past Presidents:

Sandy Young

John McLellan

Leon Bourque

Brad Mann

4. Approval of General Meeting Agenda

Club 78 moved to accept the AGM Agenda as presented, Seconded by Club 23.

Motion Carried

5. Approval of the Minutes of the NBFSC's Annual General Meeting held May 6, 2018

Club 78 moved to accept the Minutes from the AGM held May 6, 2018, Seconded by Club 29. Motion Carried.

6. **Speakers**

There were no speakers.

7. **Recognition Awards – 2019**

Dave Garland presented the following awards:

7.1 Howard Doucet Memorial Award

(Volunteer of the Year, 2019)

Dave Garland announced Donald Long from Millstream Club as the recipient of the Howard Doucet Memorial Award for the Year 2019.

7.2 NBFSC Snowmobile Dealer of the Year, 2019

Dave Garland announced Brunswick Power Sports as the recipient of the Snowmobile Dealer of the Year 2019.

7.3 NBFSC Groomer of the Year, 2019

Dave Garland announced Norman Purvis of the Woodstock Trailmakers as the recipient of the Groomer of the Year 2019.

7.4 Wallace Kenny Initiative Award, 2019

Scott Ralston announced Pat Hicks of Yamaha Motor Canada as the recipient of the Wallace Kenny Initiative Award for the Year 2019.

7.5 Robert J. Walsh Award (Club of the Year, 2019)

Dave Garland announced Club # 69 – Supervillage Trailblazers as the recipient of the Club of the Year Award for the Year 2019.

8. **Annual Reports**

8.1 President's Annual Report

President Scott Ralston gave a PowerPoint presentation. He listed his Priorities from the past year as:

- 1. Instilling the important role in the industry of Volunteers & Clubs.*
- 2. Continue seeking to secure public funding; Provincial & Federal.*
- 3. Finalizing the realization of the Christmas Mountains Trail Network from the NBFSC's concept to reality with partners.*

He expanded on each of his listed priorities and discussed the Government Go Snowmobiling Rides that were held this year and the importance of maintaining that relationship.

He discussed the need of the Board to support sometimes conflicting interests for the good of the NBFSC as a whole, and thanked the clubs and our volunteers for their continued support.

Club 78 had comments regarding public safety, speed and alcohol use at shelters.

Scott responded to his issues, stating that safe driving will be addressed going forward. He also spoke of club's responsibilities for groomer funding being reduced for \$0.50 dollars to \$0.33 dollars.

Club 78 moved to accept the President's Report as presented, seconded by Club 23. Motion Carried.

8.2 Trail Manager's Annual Report

Trail Manager Kyle Good gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining his core responsibilities, also noting that we had a successful groomer workshop. He discussed mapping - both conventional and digital, government meetings dealing with trail applications. Kyle then reviewed past activities such as Signage training resulting in an improved product, trail checks were performed on 14 clubs this past season and Kyle expressed appreciation for improvements, especially Club # 11, Oromocto River Valley. Kyle then showed a few slides depicting various trail check scenes from around the province. Kyle talked about the timelines required for mapping updates both paper and digital. Our Groomer GPS tracking system is proving to be very reliable, and Kyle explained new features being added. Kyle explained the makeup of the government Trail Planning Committee, which holds 4 meetings per year, and is for trails on Crown Land.

Club 29 moved to accept the Trail Manager's Report as presented, seconded by Club 12. Motion Carried.

9. Financial Reports

9.1 Audited Financial Reports, 2018

Scott introduced John Clark, CPA who presented the Audited Financial Reports for 2018 as previously prepared and distributed to AGM delegates.

Club 78 had several questions regarding the format and presentation of the Audited Financial Reports, which were addressed by John Clark, CPA.

Club 9 moved to accept the Audited Financial Reports for 2018, as presented, seconded by Club 1. Motion Carried.

9.2 Treasurer's Report – 2019 in Review

Scott Ralston presented the Treasurer's Report on behalf of the Board for 2019, as distributed to delegates.

Club 78 questioned why the Treasurer Marcel Richard was not giving the Treasurer's Report.

Scott replied that the Board was having trouble filling this position, and had persuaded

Marcel to accept the position. Marcel's condition to accepting was that he would not have to do any public speaking, so Scott was happy to fill in for him.

**Club 1 moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, seconded by Club 4.
Motion Carried.**

10. Recognition of NBFSC's 2019

10.1 Corporate Partnerships – Presentation

Ross recognized our corporate partners by saying it was another successful year, with 54 partners in 2019. Ross then recognized each individually by way of a PowerPoint presentation, describing what each had to offer, and thanking these partners for their contribution to the NBFSC. Some of these corporate partners were present and had the opportunity to address the membership at the AGM. Door Prizes were given by some Corporate Partners as drawn by tickets distributed to delegates.

10.2 2019 Lottery – Presentation

Scott gave a PowerPoint presentation indicating that the clubs sold 9446 tickets. Club # 45 – Bouctouche/Ste. Marie, selling 1624 tickets – the most in the province – was the winning club and presented with a \$1000 cheque.

10.3 Corporate Partner Speeches

Corporate Partners who wished to speak did so during 10.1.

11. Present (Old) Business

No Old Business from 2018 A.G.M

12. New Business

12.1 Trail Permits; (proposed) Pricing, 2020

12.1.1 Club 9 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Pre-season; Seasonal Trail Permit cost \$185.00 per permit, plus HST, as a pre-season incentive selling price on or before December 15th 2019. Seconded by Club 20.

Motion Carried.

12.1.2 Club 9 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Seasonal Trail Permit cost \$265.00 per permit plus HST, as the regular selling price after December 15th 2019.

Seconded by Club 4.

Motion Carried.

12.1.3 Club 20 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Classic Trail Permit cost \$105.00 per permit, plus HST, as the regular selling price all season.

Seconded by Club 9.

Motion Carried.

12.1.4 Club 20 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Antique Trail Permit cost \$60.00 per permit, plus HST, as the regular selling price all season.

Seconded by Club 29.

Motion Carried.

12.1.5 Club 9 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Family (1st & 2nd) Trail Permit cost \$265.00 per permit, plus HST, as the regular selling price after December 15th 2019 and cost \$185.00 per permit, plus HST, as a sales incentive selling price before December 15th 2019. Seconded by Club 1.

Motion Carried.

12.1.6 Club 20 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Family (3rd & 4th etc...) Trail Permit cost \$105.00 per permit, plus HST, as the regular selling price all season.

Seconded by Club 23.

Motion Carried.

12.1.7 Club 20 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Dealer Trail Permit cost \$265.00 per permit, plus HST, as the regular selling price after December 15th 2019 and cost \$185.00 per permit, plus HST, as a sales incentive selling price before December 15th 2019. Seconded by Club 1.

Motion Carried.

12.1.8 Club 28 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Late Season Trail Permit cost \$185.00 per permit, plus HST, as a late-season incentive selling price after December 15th 2019, for those who have purchased a snowmobile at an authorized dealership – available through the NBFSC office only. Seconded by Club 4.

Motion Carried.

12.1.9 Club 29 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Replacement Trail Permit cost \$20.00 per permit, HST included, as the regular selling price for the complete season.

Seconded by Club 1.

Motion Carried.

12.1.10 Club 29 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's One-Day Trail Permit cost \$40.00 per permit, HST included, for the complete season. Seconded by Club 23.

Motion Carried.

12.1.11 Club 29 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Three-Day Trail Permit cost \$80.00 per permit, HST included, for the complete season. Seconded by Club 9.

Motion Carried.

12.1.12 Club 29 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's Seven-Day Trail Permit cost \$125.00 per permit, HST included, for the complete season. Seconded by Club 20.

Motion Carried.

12.1.13 Club 29 moved that the 2020 NBFSC's 200cc Snowmobile Trail Permit cost \$105.00 per permit, plus HST, as the regular selling price all season. Seconded by Club 23.

Motion Carried.

12.2 Operating Budget (proposed), 2019-2020

Scott presented the proposed operating budget for 2019-2020.

Club29 moved to accept the proposed 2019-2020 Operating Budget as presented, seconded by Club 9.

Motion Carried.

12.3 By-Law Amendments Proposed

None in 2019

12.4 Appointment of an Auditor, 2019-2020

Club 23 moved to appoint John Clark CPA Professional Corp, For the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Seconded by Club 29.

Motion Carried.

13 Permanent Committee Reports

By-Laws & Policy Committee – Nothing to Report.

Fund Raising Committee – Nothing to Report.

Trail Committee – written report enclosed in delegate's packages.

Nominating Committee – Notice of Elections enclosed in delegate's packages.

Human Resources Committee – Brad Mann spoke about the staff and how fortunate he was to have been able to work with such a great team over the years.

- 14 Director's Reports – (written enclosures)**
Club 29 moved to accept the Director's Reports as presented. Seconded by Club 1. Motion carried.
- 15 Election - NBFSC Board of Directors, 2019-2020**
Sandy Young announced that elections would be held for Director's positions in the odd numbered zones and zone 8 for the coming season, as well as for the positions of the Executive Officers.
Sandy Young, our Parliamentarian, who facilitated the election of Directors and Officers, announced the following results...

Zone 1 Director: Mario Levasseur
 Zone 3 Director: Ronald Lanteigne
 Zone 5 Director: Marc Hannan
 Zone 7 Director: Jim Connors
 Zone 8 Director : Steve George

NBFSC President: Scott Ralston
 NBFSC Vice President: Ronald Lanteigne
 NBFSC Treasurer: Yves Cormier
 NBFSC Secretary: Paul Robichaud

Club 20 moved to destroy the ballots from the election of the executive, seconded by Club 1. Motion carried.

Speeches – none made

Adjournment

Club 3 moved the meeting adjourned at 13:05 hrs.

Submitted by,

Sandy Young
 NBFSC Past President