

2025/2026

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Board: Rick Swift, Paul Allen, Scott Greenfield, Jinny Naevestad
Directors: Jason Serra, Rick Swift, Paul Allen, Dan Lamarre, Tom Baynard,
Craig Pedersen, Bob Carr, Scott Greenfield, Jinny Naevestad
Not Attending: Jason Serra, Scott Greenfield Zoom Attendee: No request

Opened Meeting: 7:06 PM
Adjourned: 7:50 PM
Melody Lodge

Recorded by: Jinny Naevestad

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| Agenda: | Minutes from prior meeting review/approval | Trail Report |
| | Financials | Fundraising Report |
| | Membership Report | Other Business |
| | Groomer Equipment Report | |

Meeting called by: Rick swift

Agenda item: **Minutes from prior meeting review/approve** Presenter: Jinny N. / Board Member

- By November 30, 2025, Club Minutes will be provided as a draft on the D.R.A.G. of Speculator NY website for review and approval at the next meeting, **December 20, 2025.**
- Last month it was brought up about posting 1 year of history minutes, as of November 16, 2025, there is 1 year of minutes posted to the website.
- A motion by Melissa Lamarre to approve the October 18, 2025, Club meeting minutes and it was seconded by Roger Hanenberg with no nays, carried unanimously.

Agenda item: **Financial Report** Presenter: Paul A.

- Review numbers for fiscal year 2025 (will end 8/31/2026) YTD cash sources & uses as of November 11, 2025.
- The detailed report is available at the meeting and if requested.
 - Cash Balance as of September 1, 2025.....\$50,754
 - Cash Balance as of November 11, 2025..... \$60,361

Agenda item: **Membership Report** Presenter: Rick S.

- Membership for the 2025 – 2026 season, April 30 to November 15th, is 158 members and at the same time last year 142 Members can join clubs as of April 30th. Remember this helps your club receive funds to do trail work before the season.

Agenda item: **Groomer Equipment Report** Presenter: Bob Carr

- The Viking has had a coolant heater installed, new hitch soldered and other services completed now ready for the season.
- PB100, Husky, have been serviced ready to go
- PB270 service will be November 23rd, if the weather holds.

Agenda item: **Trails** Presenter: Dan Lamarre

- Turnout today was wonderful with 14 people helping sign trim trails.
- River trail signage and work to be done
- Sue & Joe on Brooks Ave., allow us to cross their property again this year. Please stay on the designated trail this is close to houses drive slowly.
- The Page Street trail is changing. We will ride on the Twigs side of the road (left) and cross over to K.C.'s property at the clearing and connect into the existing trail. Signs will be added to this new route.
- Twigs Icehouse is now down, and we need to move debris to the transfer station, if you have a pickup and or dump trailer contact Rick Swift.
- We need to get platforms we built that sit on the Oak Mtn trail. We are trying to get this done.
- The trail through the laundromat area has been widened to the gas station. Please keep left stay on the designated trail.
- The trail to Melody Lodge is open and now signed

- The work on the Iron Bridge down old Rt 30 is completed with a wood deck.
- Local trail map – the Chamber is working on an update that has been given.

Standing Items: The Oak Mountain trail will remain closed. Use the new trail behind Charlie John's or down Route 30 to Cave Hill to connect.

- CLOSED TRAILS (logging): Gilmantown, Long Level, Fly Creek, and lower Perkins.
- **PLEASE STAY ON TRAIL & travel slowly, again it's a privilege to cross landowners' property.**
- Please use the map to see availability, open/closed trails Ride NY Trails | New York State Snowmobile Association on (nysnowmobiler.com) Note: NY State closes trails April 1st unless conditions are not good to ride.
 - o **Tape and Barriers are not to be crossed or gone around.**

Agenda item: **Fundraising** Presenter: Jason Serra / Virginia Naevestad

- NYSSA tickets have arrived and can be purchased at \$5.00 each. We will be mailing them and will be at the Howard Hanna Real Estate office (at the four corners of Rte. 30 / Rte. 8) for the Holiday Stroll Event on Black Friday November 28th, from 1 – 4pm.
- We have received the notification from ISMA that we have been selected for the second year for a Grant. We are the only NYS club on the list of recipients. Scott Greenfield was at Village Motor Sports for this event on October 25th to promote snowmobiling and we will have a second event February 14th planned for the Pavilion in town for a morning.
- We are looking into doing the same type of sponsorship on the PB270DS as we have on the other large groomers

Agenda item: **Other Business**

- **NYSSA** – Director Robert Korosec and Alternate Jim Olsen
 - o Bob has shared we can post the minutes from NYSSA that he sends to us.
 - o Question about the Grant that runs on a 2-year cycle. It is an 80/20 split you must front the monies by bridge loan or your own funding. It takes about 3 months to receive the funds once it has been approved. The announcement is in December for the current cycle. The next is in 2027. Bob has been asked to check if anyone has funded a building through this type of Grant.
 - o The Vintage Sled Bill has passed it will take until possibly 2028 for the lower registration fees to be in place at DMV.
 - o NY Forum will be in Binghamton NY - April 24 - 26, 2026.
- **DRAG elections** will be held at the March 2026 meeting for 3 positions for a period of 3 years (positions currently filled by Scott Greenfield, Bob Carr and Jason Serra), so a nominating committee is in place Cheryl Biswurm, Joan Heggland, and Jim Olsen. If you wish to apply please email to cbiswurm@gmail.com.
- **The Lions Club** – The Poker Run will take place February 21, 2026, same as last year starting at the various vendors and ending at the Inn at Speculator.
- Thanks to Pete Newell for helping us with the website and posting our club minutes, & Andy for space at Melody Lodge
- A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM by Melissa Lamarre seconded by Matt Wakefield with no nays, carried unanimously.
- **Next meeting will be December 20, 2025, at 7PM The Lemon Tree**