



Snowmobile Advisory Council Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

February 5, 2026

Arbor Vitae Town Hall, 10675 Big Arbor Vitae Dr, Arbor Vitae WI and via Zoom

Committee Members Present: Abby Haas (Chair), Ann Degenhardt, Tanner Hiller, Bob Lang, Andy Malecki, Sue Smedegard

Other Council Members Present: Lynsey Burzinski, Joel Enking, Gary Hilgendorf, Mike Holden, Tara Krall, Sam Landes, Don Mrotek, Holly Tomlanovich, Erica Volker

DNR/Tourism staff attendance: Jillian Steffes, Jacob Holsclaw, Drew Nussbaum (Tourism), Pat Anderson, Kurt Byfield, Chris Halbur, Jeremy Holtz, Annie Loechler, Jeff Pennucci

Public attendance: Lori Heideman, Dave Newman and other members of the public

1. Call to order at 9:00 AM

2. Agenda Repair - None

3. Acceptance of minutes of previous meeting

- Deferred until next meeting.

4. Committee Chair Comments

- **Abby Haas** – None

5. Public Comments

- Sam Landes (representing AWSC)
 - The proposed bill to increase registration and trail pass fees (thus bringing more funding into the program) has cleared committees including Joint Finance, and has been well supported. Waiting for the bill to go to the full floor.

6. DNR Funding Report

- Handouts
 - Grant Funding Summary
 - Snowmobile Trail Passes Sold
 - Snowmobile Active Registrations
 - Snow Supplemental Seasonal History (past 10 years)
- At the end of August, we had committed all available funds with the exception of \$69,000. Since that time, a number of projects have come in under budget, and approx. \$400,000 has been returned to the program, giving us a program balance of \$476,457
- We do anticipate supplemental requests for this season. Those are due August 1st.

7. Committee member reports, comments and items

- None

8. Items for next meeting

- TBD

9. Adjourn

Motion to adjourn by Joel, 2nd by Ann. MOTION PASSED