Northern Lights Snowmobile Club
Membership Meeting
Monday, October 26, 2026, 6:30 PM at Opi's Ol' Pine Isle
Welcome! New members & sponsors-sign in, sign-up sheets, 50/50 raffle tickets with 2nd drawing prize; merch; GTR Raffle tickets; Membership and sponsor application forms. Thank you to Chef Newborn and staff at Opi's for hosting. "It Will Snow"

1. September 28, 2026 minutes on website - approval
    a. Motion – Bill
    b. 2nd - Pete
    c. Motion carried
2. Treasurer's report – Bill
    a. Income less expenses down about $2,650 from last year due to lower membership dues
    b. Motion – Alex
    c. 2nd – Jim
    d. Motion carried

3. Member Report: 183: 15 New; 153 Renewals; 15 Landowners-Thank you!
    a. Take note to select appropriate membership level: F vs S errors
    b. Single memberships, $35, Couple membership, $45
    c. Get your trail passes early. The group that provides the trail passes is short on staffing.

4. Sponsor Report: 31:Gold 6; Destination 4; Diamond 18; Platinum 3

5. Bylaw revision approval
    a. Article II Section 1 to include: organized as a public charity under IRC Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) and is exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3).
    b. Motion – Mike
    c. 2nd – Alex
    d. Motion carried

6. Web Cams- seeking property host that has the capability to have wifi access for the camera and a good view of the trail conditions.

7. Annual Christmas Party 12/5 NEW location Reiter Center

a. seeking donations for raffles and volunteers-see sign-up sheet
b. RSVP on website
c. Bring non-perishable food for food pantry
d. Thank you to Chris Frank, North Country Seasonal Services, meal sponsor

8. Overnight Ride – Jay and Pete
a. Feb 8-11 (M-TH) Great Northern Hotel Mercer – make reservations
b. Hotel rooms are $149/night - roadside
$169/night – lakeside
c. Cancellation fee is $50
d. Overnight registration is requested prior to the Christmas party so that a headcount can be determined.
e. Email Linda Schuette (lindaschuette123@gmail.com) once you have made your reservation so that the headcount can be confirmed.
f. Seeking sponsors
g. Information will be added to the website

9. Scott Swendson:
a. TL-BRT. 64 people participated in the brush clean-up, and the trails are almost complete relative to brush clearing.
b. AWSC. There is potential that a new publisher will take on the magazine printing.
Trail 13 appears to be a dead issue for the Snow Eagle snowmobile club due to land ownership changes and a focus on their building projects.
c. Calendars will be available at the next meeting and Christmas party.

10. Fundraising Report
a. Groom to Ride Raffle - $1820 to date. (new prizes ATV and $1000 cash) Drawing party 3/6/2027 11-2
b. Apparel: minimal profit; new hoodies available
c. 50/50 at meetings covers meal cost
d. Trailside Chili – Thank you Forward Bank for sponsoring 2/14/2027

11. Past events:
a. Trail brushing October 17 –Thank you to all. 15-persons participated.
b. AWSC Fall Conference – October 23-25, 2026 - Sue
c. Adopt a Highway Trash pickup – Sat. 10/24/26 9:30 am-John

12. Upcoming events – Watch Facebook, emails, website
    a. Dinner event Spiritview Sat. 11/14 5 pm 25% give back of the evening proceeds.
    b. November Membership Meeting 5th Monday 11/30 6:30 Tavern on the Loop.
    c. Christmas Party Saturday, December 5, 5:00 pm Reiter Center

13. Other Business
    a. Snowmobile parking is now available at Forward Bank in town.
    b. Lady rides are available during the season. Consult the website for details during the snowmobile season.

14. 50/50 Raffle Drawing with 2nd prize drawing. Beth Conklin, new member
    Christie Stuerke - $25 gift card to Opi's

15. Adjourn – enjoy food and refreshments
    A. Motion – Mike
    c. 2nd – Alex
    d. Motion carried

16. Sixty members were present at the meeting.

17. GO BREWERS!