

Mar 9, 2026

# RRSC

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Minutes from the last board meeting held on February 9, 2026 were read and minutes were approved. Estimate of 25 people for this meeting.

\$4,383 from MN received, 2<sup>nd</sup> payment of 4. Treasurer report is the same and approved.

Groomer is done now for the season. Repairs were all done and good to go next season. Trails are done. A tracker will be installed with satellite having the different colors for status updates of the conditions of grooming. \$10 a year for club with a \$5 return. Polaris app does have the app too and Alvarado could be added next year with our club for tracking trails.

Down payment was made on the land for the new club building.

Gaming would be a great way to pay with the building funds. Mikes Pizza is considering the club to do it with them. The steps will be a process of 3-6 months. There will be a need for a game manager. Brian is the Treasure and therefore cannot be the game manager. There would be paper pull tabs before the electronic. Gaming license will need to be completed and have someone in this position.

Shires is another place to possibly ask for the gaming with the club too. The east has limited places that can be asked, but the more the better for generating monies for the club. The Eagles are open and welcome for the club to use their place as well as offering the kitchen to use too. VFW has clearly implied they do not want the club there for the Bingo anymore. MN law allows 4 times a year for a group to do this. Consideration needs to be thought about as to how much work and people it takes to work the Bingo nights.

Discussion and future decisions about the meeting nights are a future agenda item. Board members could do the Mondays at the Eagles and continue with the socials at Mikes Pizza. Tonight was the last season meeting till fall. Social meeting will be the last for the season on March 23<sup>rd</sup> at Mikes Pizza. The end of the year party was agreed to be held at Mike Pizza so that families can all be included. Motioned agreed from all, except negative Steve M. voted no!

## Summary

Groomer tracker integration and Polaris Ride Command app inclusion discussed a board position vacancy with active gaming manager recruitment and new venue decisions.

### Groomer Tracker and App

The club acquired a free groomer tracker ready for installation, requiring only a power connection for operation. Integration with the Polaris Ride Command trail app was pursued for next season to ensure all trails are properly mapped.

### Gaming Revenue Investigation

Gaming to fund a new building requires acquiring an existing bar to secure gaming rights for the nonprofit. The club is actively seeking a gaming manager to handle paperwork, a role that cannot be held by the treasurer.

### New Venue and End-of-Year

Due to a conflict with the VFW, the Eagles offered their facility as a new venue, but a scheduling conflict requires the board to propose a new night for business meetings. The end-of-year party will be held at the current venue on Thursday, April 23rd.

### Details

- **Groomer Tracker Update:** The club has acquired a free groomer tracker that is ready for installation, which only requires a power connection. This system uses satellites to track the groomer's location and displays trail status as red (ungroomed for a week or more), yellow (groomed within 48 hours), or green (groomed within the last 24 hours) ([00:00:00](#)). The subscription fee is \$10 per year, which will result in a \$5 rebate back to the club, making it a potential revenue source for next season ([00:01:56](#)).
- **Polaris Ride Command Trail App Integration:** The Polaris Ride Command app includes a feature that asks riders to rate the trails. With the exception of one trail, the club's trails are available on this app. It was noted that this integration should be pursued further for next season, ensuring all trails are properly mapped for inclusion ([00:03:09](#)).
- **Gaming Update and Investigation:** The possibility of introducing gaming to generate revenue for the construction and maintenance of a new building was investigated ([00:03:09](#)). Current recommendations suggest acquiring an existing bar to secure gaming rights for a nonprofit organization. Obtaining a license requires a minimum of three to six months, an approved site, and a gaming manager ([00:04:45](#)).
- **Recruiting a Gaming Manager:** The club is actively seeking a gaming manager, who would handle the paperwork and might only need to work one night per week ([00:04:45](#)). It was noted that the treasurer of the club cannot also serve as the gaming manager, and there is a possibility that an existing gaming manager at another site could take on the club's operation as an addition. Any interested parties who are good with numbers or who have connections to potential managers were asked to come forward ([00:06:18](#)).

- **New Social Meeting Venue at the Eagles:** Due to a personality conflict with the VFW, the club sought an alternate venue for their social meetings and events. The Eagles offered their facility, including use of their kitchen, to host the club's events, welcoming them at any time. The board conflict at the VFW was tied to a member being scared off by the gaming manager, who was actively seeking reasons for the club to leave ([00:09:06](#)).
- **Discussion of Bingo and Gaming Site Locations:** In addition to securing a permanent gaming site, the option of holding up to four bingos per year without a special license was discussed as a potentially lucrative activity, although it involves significant volunteer work. Potential locations for a gaming site include the Shire or the Op in Bemidji ([00:10:12](#)). It was noted that having gaming sites brings in customer traffic, which is beneficial for the partnering business ([00:11:46](#)).
- **Venue Conflict for Future Meetings:** The Eagles, the proposed new venue, holds their meetings at the identical time as the club's current business meeting (6:30 PM on the second and fourth Mondays). This venue conflict presents an issue, and the board will need to propose another night for the business meetings, such as a Tuesday or Thursday ([00:14:22](#)). The club aims to move into the new venue soon, as this was likely the last business meeting at the current location ([00:16:14](#)).
- **Discussion of Future Meeting Schedule:** A discussion was held regarding the schedule for future business and social meetings, which typically occur on Mondays ([00:16:14](#)). While some members expressed a preference for keeping business meetings on Mondays, it was generally agreed that social meetings should be closer to the weekend, such as Thursday, to encourage attendance and socializing ([00:17:24](#)). The board will make the final decision on the business meeting day, with Tuesday and Wednesday being potential alternatives ([00:18:42](#)).
- **End-of-Year Party Venue and Date:** The club is planning an end-of-year party, with two primary venue options: hosting it at the current location as a private party focused on family and games, or hosting a sit-down meal at the country club, as was done the previous year ([00:21:53](#)). A motion was made and approved to hold the end-of-year party at the current location on Thursday, April 23rd. The aim is to support businesses that support the club and potentially entice future gaming site partnerships ([00:23:12](#)).
- **Board Position Vacancy and Nominations:** One board position is opening, as Randy's three-year term is ending. Nominations for the board position are being accepted via text or email to Brian and will be finalized one week before the end-of-season party ([00:24:52](#)). All nominated individuals will be contacted to confirm their interest before being placed on the ballot ([00:27:00](#)).
- **Call for Building Bids and Volunteers:** The club is actively seeking bids for various aspects of the new building project, including concrete, general construction, HVAC, and electrical work ([00:27:00](#)). Volunteers are also being sought for tasks like dirt work, excavating, and the need for CDL drivers ([00:28:17](#)). One idea for fundraising is the "\$100 Flood" where 50 members donate \$100 each, and another is the "Dollar a Day Campaign," where 100 members donate \$1 per day for a year ([00:31:37](#)).
- **Projected Building Timeline and Financial Benefits:** The club hopes to begin holding meetings in the new building by next winter. Securing gaming rights is viewed as the most significant financial catalyst, as the money would be continuous and highly lucrative. The success of one bingo night this year was already sufficient to purchase the land for the new building ([00:33:37](#)).

- **Final Social Meeting and Location:** The club determined that the final social meeting of the season would be held at the current venue in two weeks to continue supporting them. This meeting is separate from the end-of-year party, and families are encouraged to attend ([00:36:19](#)).

## Suggested next steps



Brian will investigate the possibility of having a gaming manager who is already a gaming manager somewhere else take on a small one-site addition to their current duties.



Brian will investigate the possibility of having up to four Bingos a year in Minnesota without a special license and weigh that against having a gaming site.



Brian will call everybody nominated for the board position to see if they are willing to be nominated.



Greg Stortroen will ask Knife River about a discount or donation of gravel for fill and building materials.