1.13.21 Snowmobile Traffic Issue Research

After receiving an email from Julie Lammers regarding a citizen's concern about snowmobile traffic at 88 Park View Drive and talking to Sherri Hanson, I contacted Howard Olson, 218-847-5829, ULTRA Snowmobile Club.

The groomed trail maintained by the Club comes down the hill from Bruhn's pasture and is marked in the road ditches (West side of County Road #4) opposite Long Lake into Vergas. He is aware that snowmobilers have not followed the trail but have crossed the highway, then gone onto the lake, and continued through the former Antonsen Lot (88 Park View Drive) to get to downtown Vergas for many years; and are now following the same route even though a house has been built on the lot.

Sherri Hanson and I looked at the lot access area and believe there is space for snowmobile access using City property, if the City can clear out some of the willows growing there.

Howard said the Club can provide and install signs for No Snowmobiling and to mark a trail on the lakeside of the highway if the Parks Board agrees to it.