



NORTHWEST TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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August 2010

General Membership Meeting

August 3, 2010

Presidents Call to Order - Rob Bell

- 7:35pm

Secretary's Report – Rocky Johnson

- No report; no meeting held in July.

Treasurer's Report – Randy Baudler

- Balance on hand \$61K
- Report approved; filed for future audit.

Director-at-Large – Joel Johnson

- Organization bylaws have been made available electronically and sent out to board. No issues to report.

Trail Coordinator – Steve Hohag

- Recommend that trail captains start thinking about any potential trail issues; new stakes and signage will be available prior to trail marking; volunteer needed to take over trail marking on north end of system – County Road 81 to Sundance and Elm Creek Park to County Rd 121, interested party should contact Steve Hohag.

New Members -

- None present.

Fun Nights-

- August - Club Appreciation Picnic, Thursday, Aug 12, 6:30 pm, Corcoran City Park Pavilion

Old Business-

- June Work Night – shed work night in June was a big success, thank you to all who participated and the Calico Beans were again a big hit with all!
- Appreciation Picnic – invitations sent, ~50 rsvps to-date; caterer secured; to be held Thursday, August 12, 6:30 pm, Corcoran City Park Pavilion; catered by Corcoran Locker; please rsvp if you haven't already.

New Business-

- Proposal New Groomer – board presented proposal to general membership on trade-in opportunity for current groomer; Rick from Track presented; current groomer value is \$125K new groomer value is \$168, need to keep equipment current, in line with past 10 years of trade-in every 3-4 years; new unit has several features above current; membership voted unan. to approve trade-in/purchase of new groomer.
- Proposal Club Shed – board presented findings of shed committee and proposed to general membership to pursue

discussions with private landowner to purchase land/shed near Elm Creek Park; membership voted unanimously to approve board to move forward with due diligence on this property.

- Trail Issues – no known trail issues to-date.
- Annual Membership Dues – coming due this fall; Nancy Hanson will handle mailing and will be out by end of August.
- Haydays – upcoming industry event Haydays, Sept 11-12 at a new site in Sunrise Township, North Branch, MN.
- Fall Dealer Events – none scheduled at this time.

Club Updates-

- Hamel Snowrunners – participated in the recent Hamel Rodeo as Grand Marshalls; very successful event, thank you to all who worked to make this a success!
- Insurance – need to review all club insurance needs; Steve, Randy and Nancy volunteered to schedule meeting with insurance provider to review current coverage and future needs; will report back to club.

MnUSA – <http://www.mnsnowmobiler.org>

- MN State Fair – volunteers needed for booth duty; 4 hour shifts; free admission to fair; great opportunity to meet other snowmobilers; if interested please contact Nancy Hanson..
- Rum River Trail Association Outlaw Grass Drags – Aug 27-29 in Princeton, MN.
- 43rd Annual Haydays – Sept 11-12, Sunrise Township, North Branch, MN.
- Vintage Show & Swap Meet – grass drag nationals, Sept 26, Douglas, MN.

Committee Reports –

- Shed Committee – see item under new business.
- Membership Committee – no report.
- Map Committee - received bid for map, consistent with prior years; Rocky will provide proposal to board in next week and schedule next meeting for Map Committee to meet.
- Sunshine Committee – no report.
- Safety Training – time to start considering dates, volunteers, etc; Corcoran Training is scheduled; Rocky will pursue advertisements in city newsletters and local area newspapers; please provide dates/locations for your trainings to her if you wish to publish on NW Trails website and/or local ads.

Adjournment –

9:50pm

Next Meeting -

- Tuesday, Sept 7, 7:30pm, Medina Entertainment Center

Please provide us your email address! It saves trees and club volunteers time to send minutes and communications electronically – email us at nwtrails@nwtrails.net.