



NORTHWEST TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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January 2016

General Membership Meeting Tuesday, January 5, 2016

Called to Order – 7:38 pm

Secretary's Report – Marge asked for a correction that had already been done. Web site did not get updated yet for some reason. Motion to approve as written was Passed.

Treasurer's Report – motion to file for future audit.

Director-at-Large – Anyone interested in running for a board position please let Marc know before the next meeting.

Trail Coordinator – Trails are still closed! Thanks to everyone who came out to help with brushing the day after Christmas. Hwy 55 looks much better but still needs more work. **Some signs are falling down. Trail Captains, please check you sections.** First benchmark has been submitted. Polaris Ranger has been returned. Thanks to Randy for the use of his trailer. Thanks to Steve for handling the Dayton trail issue. We are still having an issue in Maple Plain from a person living near our trail. He is doing everything he can to stop us from using a public right of way. Colin asked for a \$50 donation to Ernie Myers for helping us build a bridge near his property. Motion passed. Thanks to Bob Johnson for cleaning up the oil spill at the shed. We still need a new bridge on Mark Kolasa's section. Rush Creek is not safe so be sure to use the road bridge to go around.

New Members

- None present

Old Business

- By-Laws Committee is still working on an update. Motion was made to only mail the final draft. Passed.
- Phil's Fun Run may be canceled due to lack of snow.
- Piere from The FoxTailers spoke about the issue with the City of Hanover about the Historic Bridge. He is looking for ideas on how to cover it with rubber without screwing it to the deck. Any ideas?

New Business

- Map Ad Packets need to move forward so we can begin selling new ads for the next map.
- Snowmobile softball game has been scheduled for March 5th. More to come
- Brian and Skip will winterize the brush hog in the near future

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

- Vets ride was moved to Grand Rapids on January 23. If you know any vets, please have them call MnUSA asap to get signed up. It's free!!!
- Waconia Ride-in is January 29-31st. Minnesota Orphans will be the featured sleds this year.
- Winter Rendezvous will be in Hinckley Feb 12-14.

Club Updates

- Hamel Sno Runners – Trip is still on pending more snow. Safety training will be held this week-end
- Loretto Sno Birds – Proclaimed their victory over the Hamel last year...again. Will be riding to the Waconia Ride-in pending more snow
- Hamel Sno-Runners announced the Snowmobile Softball game March 5th and will be looking to reclaim the trophy
- Maple Plain Snomads – Trail Opening party was a huge success again this year. Many door prizes were given away.

Committees Chairs

- **Membership Committee:** Marge Jerdee
- **Map Ad Committee:** Patrick Leger
- **Safety Committee:** Randy "GrassGuy" Baudler
- **Sunshine Committee:** Grant Scheibe

NWTs Club Fun Dinners

January 14th – 7pm Carbone's Mound

February 11th – Sundance Golf and Bowl

Adjournment – 8:30 pm

Next Meeting

- **Tuesday, February 2nd, 2016**
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