



NORTHWEST TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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March 2012

General Membership Meeting

March 6, 2012

Call to Order – 7:32 pm

Secretary's Report – Rocky Johnson

- February minutes approved; filed for future audit.

Treasurer's Report – Randy Baudler

- Income: none.
- Expenses: interest expense, landowner appreciation, MN USA membership, office supplies, vmx, utilities and trail supplies.
- February report approved; filed for future audit.

Director-at-Large – Joel Johnson

- As election committee chair notified general membership that elections coming in April; looking for at least 3 board member positions and the appointed position of trail coordinator – a critical job for the organization. To run must be current member of NWT and must attend 2 of last 4 general membership meetings. If interested, please see Joel Johnson.

Trail Coordinator – Steve Hohag

- Trail coordinator has annual meeting April 4th with DNR.
- Sign order into DNR for next season.
- GPS'ing of entire trail system is complete and will be submitted to DNR.
- Groomer out for 7 hours this last week; a lot of downed trees and water areas difficult to traverse.
- Trail Captains – be thinking about sign removal for next month; mark your drums in shed; could consider early removal if dry and use your best judgment.

New Members

- Welcome: none present.

Old Business

- Map Distribution – if you are someone that is in charge of an advertiser location, please make sure to check those locations and check map boxes.

New Business

- March 15 – Club Fun Night, Monies Bar & Grill, Maple Plain, 7pm
- April 12 – Club Fun Night, Hilltop, Hanover, 7pm
- Shed Access Policy – board members, trail captains, groomer drivers have access to shed; anyone that has adhoc

need to gain entrance work through board member to get access.

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

- RTP grants to go through March 31 unless extended; this is the grant that provides aid for large purchases such as groomers, equipment, bridges, etc.
- Legislative Reception held February 28th, thank you to those that came; issues before legislation: bill to combine trail pass and registration is pending; proposal to do away with duplicate sticker with larger numbers pending tort liability passed through committee and will go to house floor to vote.
- March 24-25 – Artic Cat, Polaris & Yamaha 2013 Sneak Peek – 50 new snowmobiles for 2013 will be on display by these manufacturers at Earle Brown Center, Brooklyn Park; 2-8pm Saturday and noon-5pm Sunday.
- March 31-April 1 – Ski Doo 2013 Sneak Peak; Mall of America.

Club Updates

- Hamel Sno Runners – meets 1st Monday of every month at American Legion Post in Hamel, 8:00 pm; April 14 Inn Kahoots end of season wrap.
- Brooklyn Park SnoPatrol – no report.
- Loretto Snowbirds – lost one of their founding members Joy Peterson passed away last month; our sympathy goes out to Joy's family and know she will be sorely missed!
- Maple Plain Snomads – meets 2nd Wednesday of every month, Monie's Grill in Maple Plain, 8:00 pm.

Committee Reports

- **Membership:** no report.
- **Sunshine:** card and gift sent to family of Joy Peterson.
- **Map:** map ad sales packets assembly tonight; also map ad sales electronic version available; contact Rocky for packets.
- **Safety:** Corcoran Safety Training instructors needed for December 2012; considering CD Course.

Adjournment – 8:10 pm

Next Meeting

- Tuesday, April 3rd, Medina Entertainment Center; board meeting 6:00 pm; happy hour 7:00 pm; general membership meeting 7:30 pm
- Receive newsletters via email; save a tree, save us postage; provide us your email address at nwtrails@nwtrails.net.

Thank you!