



# NORTHWEST TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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May 2012

## General Membership Meeting

May 1, 2012

**Call to Order** – 7:39 pm

**Secretary's Report** – Rocky Johnson

- April minutes approved; filed for future audit.

**Treasurer's Report** – Randy Baudler

- Income: DNR grant; grant from Snow Dragons; map ad sales; map boxes; membership dues.
- Expenses: groomer gas/oil; interest expense; MnUSA memberships; telephone/vmx; property taxes; utilities.
- April report approved; filed for future audit.

**Director-at-Large** – Joel Johnson

- No report.

**Trail Coordinator** – Steve Hohag

- Trail captains get your volunteer hours/equipment used reports into Steve for submission.
- Resolution to sponsor us by City of Corcoran in place for next season.
- Next year's DNR grant application due in May along with 4<sup>th</sup> benchmark will be turned in May.
- Trail Captains – trail sign removal ASAP if have not done already.

**New Members**

- Welcome: none present.

**Old Business**

- Club Fun – May 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, Mackenzie's Minneapolis.

**New Business**

- Trail responsibilities for spring - map stand near Mama G's needs to be collected and brought to shed; Brian Mackenzie volunteered.
- June Meeting – held at club shed, not a business meeting but instead a work night to make signs, organize shed and we will yard work.
- Reminder – no July Meeting.
- Appreciation Picnic – August 2012; to new board to plan and organize.
- Legislative session – a number of wins for the sport this session; one issue still in discussion by MnUSA is the trail

speed limit proposed increase daytime speed limit from 50 mph to 65 mph – NWT put to vote support on issue, 6 for, 8 against.

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

- MnUSA – Spring Meeting held end of April, they tabled discussion on issue of trail speed limit increase to Fall Workshop.
- DNR will continue to require state registration stickers.
- July 13-15, North Branch, MN.
- Oct 26-28<sup>th</sup>, Mankato, MN, MnUSA Fall Workshop, any member can attend, good opportunity to update snowmobile instructor safety certifications; go to MnUSA website for more info.

**Club Updates**

- Hamel Sno Runners – meets 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of every month at American Legion Post in Hamel, 8:00 pm.
- Brooklyn Park SnoPatrol – no report.
- Loretto Snowbirds – no report.
- Maple Plain Snomads – most of board changed over; work day scheduled to build new bridge to cross 20 foot span over creek; motion passed to provide max of \$300 for materials; meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month, Monie's Grill in Maple Plain, 8:00 pm.

**Committee Reports**

- **Membership:** no report.
- **Sunshine:** no report.
- **Map:** Patrick Ledger volunteered to track all the map ad sales; deadline for early bird \$50 savings is June 2012; map ad sales people please get ad contracts back asap; motion passed for NWT to donate space on new map for sub-club advertising.
- **Safety:** no report.

**Adjournment** – 8:46 pm

**Next Meeting**

- Tuesday, June 5th, NWT Club Shed, 7508 W Hayden Lake Road, Champlin; within the Elm Creek Park property at 6:00 pm.
- Receive newsletters via email; save a tree, save us postage; provide us your email address at [nwtrails@nwtrails.net](mailto:nwtrails@nwtrails.net).

**Thank you!**