



NORTHWEST TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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General Membership Meeting

November 2, 2010

Secretary's Report – Rocky Johnson

- October meeting minutes approved; filed for future audit.

Treasurer's Report – Randy Baudler

- Current assets ~\$10,500, bulk of expenditures last month were property/shed purchase; filed for future audit.

Director-at-Large – Joel Johnson

- Nothing to report.

Trail Coordinator – Steve Hohag

- Grant paperwork turned in by city of Corcoran; they requested to draw up a contract with us, city council approved and application sent to DNR. Trail marking stakes are in, signage is adequate and materials are at the shed in Brooklyn Park. Only trail issues that remain is Hassen area; Country Road 30 rerouting. Trail liability, groomer, property and structure, workers comp insurance is all being handled by McKee & Andrews. Three Rivers Park agreement was passed, but has not been received by club at this date. Looking for additional trail marking assistance, see Steve if interested.

New Members

- Patrick Ledger, member of Hamel SnoRunners, welcome!

Old Business

- Update on Club Shed Replacement Project – We own a shed! Concrete floor has been poured and need to allow to cure before moving heavy equipment on it. Actual cost of concrete came in higher than originally bid due to sizing error (actual \$9200 vs. bid \$8100). Motion approved to allocate up to \$2500 for electrical and caulking work (meter, circuit panel, running wiring and rough in lighting and minor calking work); motion approved to allocate up to \$2500 for this work.
- Update on groomer trade/purchase – We have taken delivery of new groomer and it is ready for snow; insurance coverage is done. Motion approved to allocate up to \$300 for tools for groomer. Graphics estimate for groomer & drag is \$475; motion passed to allocate \$250 for graphics.
- Club fun reminder – Thursday, November 11th, Choo Choo in Loretto, 7:00 pm; none in December due to Holiday; Thursday, January 13th, River Inn in Hanover, 7:00 pm; Thursday, February 10th, Sundance in Dayton, 7:00 pm

New Business

- Groomer driver training – at Track, 9600 James Ave South, Bloomington, Saturday, November 20th, 8-noon.

- Shed maintenance day – Saturday, November 6th, will email those that volunteered time to meet; approximately 2-3 hours. Still need someone to take on project to refinish old signage, see Rob if interested.
- Shed moving day – clean-up day scheduled for Saturday, December 4th, ~8:30 am meet at old shed in Brooklyn Park.
- Trail brushing date – set for Friday, November 26th, 9:00 am, meet at Daytona Mart with chain saws, brush cutting tools, ATVs. Need to cut to 12 foot length for new groomer.
- NWT Facebook page – welcome friends, check it out! Announcements, event calendar, pictures, etc. Look for “Northwest Trails Association” (facebook.com/nwtrails), need more friends so we can get a “vanity” URL.

Club Updates

- Hamel Club Trip is booked for Jan 13, 14, 15 Sandy Point, Lake Kabetogama Resort.

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

- MnUSA Calendars for sale, \$20 each, available at meetings.
- Legislative reception will be scheduled for sometime in January.
- Region 8 Meeting, 7:00 pm, Nov 16th, Davanni's in Minnetonka
- Winter Rendezvous, Feb 10-13, Arrowwood Resort, Alexandria, silent auction, Governors ride, guided trail rides planned, all welcome!

Committee Reports

- Map Committee:** Revised deadline for new and renewal map ads to accommodate a few more advertisers, now due no later than Nov 5th; map paper weight increased to add more durability; will have new maps available mid-to-late December; need to consider putting out map boxes with current map for trail opener.
- Sunshine Committee** - motion approved to increase expenditure limit from \$50 to \$75.
- Safety Committee:** Brooklyn Park Sno Patrol starts safety training December 4th. Hamel SnoRunners start January 4th; Corcoran starts December 2nd.

Adjournment: 9:30 pm

Next Meeting

- Tuesday, December 7th, Medina Ballroom
- Board Meeting, 6:00 pm
- Happy Hour, 7:00 pm
- General Meeting, 7:30 pm

We need your e-mail address so that we can communicate more efficiently! Please send an e-mail to nwtrails@nwtrails.net to let us know your address. Thank you.