



NORTHWEST TRAILS ASSOCIATION

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December 2010

General Membership Meeting

December 7, 2010

Call to Order - 7:30pm

Secretary's Report – Rocky Johnson (not present)

- November minutes approved; filed for future audit.

Treasurer's Report – Randy Baudler

- \$11,596 club bank balance
- Expenditure reimbursements should be turned in with reimbursement request form prior to meetings
- Report approved; file for future audit.

Director-at-Large – Joel Johnson (not present)

- Nothing to report.

Trail Coordinator – Steve Hohag

- DNR grant application still in process; first benchmark approved by Corcoran city sponsor, expecting \$14K for first payment.
- Trail Marking – trails are all marked; swamps have been run over once with sleds to firm up but are still very wet and not frozen yet; bridge repairs on system complete.
- Trailside Map Signs – 2 of the 3 large trailside map signs not deployed; need to get out asap; Brian Mackenzie will coordinate.
- Will be working updating landowner listing to make certain we have up-to-date permits for insurance purposes and DNR.
- Please report any trail issues as you see or hear about them to Steve Hohag immediately.

New Members

- Welcome new members!

Old Business

- New Shed – new shed in Champlin; contents from Brooklyn Park location moved to new; thanks to everyone for their help! Will discuss at next board meeting who needs access.
- Club Fun reminder - River Inn, Hanover, Jan 13, 7:00 pm
- Groomer Driver Training - held Dec 21st at Track, good attendance; conducted by Bob Johnston, very effective training.
- Trail Brushing – weekend of Thanksgiving, got everything accomplished that we wanted to; thanks for everyone's help!

- Map Update – map printing delayed now until January 11th; we will arrange for pickup and send out email when available; for first couple of weeks will store maps at Randy Baudler's home in Corcoran to easy access to fill map boxes and will then move the shed as needed. Old maps should be used until new map available.

New Business

- Local club rides scheduled - meet at 9:30 am at Sundance in Dayton second Saturday of each month: Jan 8, Feb 12, and Mar 12.

Club Updates

- Hamel Club – requested that they have landowner gift certificates by September meeting next year; add to agenda for May or June to have ready for September because we don't meet over summer.
- Brooklyn Park – snowmobile safety training full.

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

- MnUSA still has 2011 raffle calendars available; \$20 each.
- Legislative reception scheduled for January, visit MnUSA website for more information; a number of new legislators so please do your part and get to know them and express how important it is they support our sport!
- Dec 21, Region 8 Meeting, Davanni's, Minnetonka.
- Feb 10-13, Winter Rendezvous, Arrowwood Resort & Conference Center, Alexandria.
- Jan 7-8 3rd Annual Veterans Ride, Thief River Falls.

Committee Reports

- **Membership:** currently 127 members; need to recruit; passed out non-current members if you know any of them please reach out to them and ask them to come back.
- **Sunshine:** nothing to report.
- **Map:** see above old business.
- **Safety:** All club trainings are underway or will be shortly; a lot of discussion about CD based training for 2011-12.

Adjournment - 8:25pm

Next Meeting

- Tuesday, January 4th at Medina
- Board Meeting, 6:00 pm; Happy Hour, 7:00 pm; General Meeting, 7:30 pm
- Receive information via email; provide us your email address at nwtrails@nwtrails.net. **Thank you!**