

Iowa Snowdrifters Meeting Minutes

Welcome new members and guests

Several new members and guests were present

October 10th, 2019 – Whitey's

Meeting called to order 7:37 PM

Additions to the agenda

Approval of minutes from August – Motion Mike Pickering – Second Rob Brumm - Approved

September Treasurer's Report

- Checking – Receipts – Bank Interest – Payments – Iowa Snowmobiler Magazine
- Equipment Fund – Receipts – Bank Interest and Bobbers Tractor Pull Sponsorship – Payments – West Linn Community Group, Solbergs Trophies and Palo Fire Department
- Scholarship – Receipts – Bank Interest and Golf Outing Sponsors and Donations – Payments Airport National for Golf Outing Green Fees
- Motion to approve – Motion – Mark Smyth – Second – Brad Dvorsky - Approved

Volunteer Hours to Brian Stanerson

Old Business

- Tractor Pull – Reviewed final numbers and attendance numbers. A lot of good feedback from attendees and pullers.
- Golf Outing – Thank you to Andy and Jeremiah for putting the golf outing. Income was placed into the scholarship fund. They suggested on looking at a different type of event. Sponsors really liked seeing their photos of their signs from the golf outing on social media and Andy emailed them photos from the event.
- Trailwork/Membership Tailgate – Chris Handley is going to check with the Solon Legion for the November Trailwork and Tailgate. Trail work days will start at 7:30 am with breakfast and then head out the trails. Sarah will update the Facebook Invites. If you have any trails that you would like help with that day please send them to Joe Latta. The side by side and mowers will be available for the trail work days.
- Trails
 - Trail 1 Bridge – Semi trailer is getting delivered to Chris Stebral's by the end of October. Chris provided an update about the trailers at Iowa City Brake. Donnie said they could be stored at the farm.
 - Mohawk Trail Bridge/Shueyville – This was discussed along with the Shueyville Trail.
 - 965 Trail – Updates from Pickering on ditch crossings. Could use two 20 foot bridges to make it across the ditch near RTL Equipment.

- Lisbon Trail needs a longer bridge. The one there currently is getting short.
 - HWY 13 – will need help.
 - Ely – larger bridge will need dirt and rock. Horse trail area a spot has washed out pretty bad. Could use a tube and then rock and dirt.
 - October 15th we can begin working.
 - Donnie and Dean will need help on their trails since harvest will run late this year.
 - Derek Dunkin is going to reach out to Derek Parker and see about meeting with Tiffin and North Liberty. With both towns growing our trail systems are being effected.
 - September 28th – National Lands Day. Work on trails on government ground.
 - Joe Latta will be organizing a trail boss meeting. Look for email from Joe. At that time the landowner list will be reviewed.
- Equipment Update – Chris will have the mowers back to Millers before the trail work day.
 - Questions on becoming a groomer operator – ISSA Convention will have a groomer class – then you become an apprentice and ride with Chris Handley and then sign-off.

New Business

- Groomer – The board met before the meeting reviewed different groomers that were for sale by Track Inc. and recommended to the club that we look at purchasing a 1989 Tucker Sno-Cat Model 2000-D for up to \$26,000. Please see additional page for proposal and photo of the groomer. Club had general discussion around the groomer and what to do with Dewey. Donnie Miller made a motion to purchase the 1989 Tucker SnoCat from Track Inc for up to \$26000 pending that Chris Handley goes up to see the groomer before purchase. – Second – Erik Vosmek – Approved – 26 Yes – 5 No. Majority of board members were present – Seth Allender, Sarah Allender, Chris Handley, Brad Dvorksy and Mark Smyth.
- Groomer Certification – Sarah will send out the current groomer certification list with information on the upcoming groomer classes. A club member asked what age is required to operate a groomer. Required age is 18. Question was posed if the group would consider hiring kids depending on age limit to operate the groomers since it is difficult to get operators.
- Rental Tractor – Mark Smyth provided an update on the rental tractor. We can get it from Kromminga's with our same rate as last year. They will deliver it whenever we ask. Joe Latta made a motion to get the rental tractor end of October. Erik Vosmek – Second – Approved
- ROW Permits – Bill will work on getting these filed with the DOT.

- Meeting Locations – Derek Dunkin said Club 76 is interested in hosting a meeting and they would like to provide food for the meeting. Tentatively put Club 76 as the March 12th Location.
- Trail Maps – List of map sponsors was provided at the meeting. We really only have space for new sponsors if some drop off. Will send out email with the sponsor list and the cost of the ads.
- Haunted Trail – Derrick is looking for volunteers to help with the Haunted Trails put on by Friends of Coralville Lake on the 25th and 26th. It's at the Sugar Bottom Day Use area. Contact Derrick is interested in volunteering or attend the Haunted Trail if not busy.
- Ranger Usage – Chris Handley brought up that during the board meeting they discussed that Friends of Coralville Lake would like to use the Ranger during the evening. It is the same day as our trail work day. Derrick will arrange to get it to and from people for trail work. Group discussion around liability and use of the Ranger. Chris Handley made a motion that The SnowDrifters will allow the Friends of Coralville Lake to Utilize the Ranger for their Haunted Trails event in the evening but they must provide proof of insurance and coverage for the Ranger during the event. Second – Brad Dvorsky – Approved. The club would like the board to review the usage guidelines of the Ranger.

Other New Business

ISSA Report – Will need to decide at the next meeting if we are doing any donations to the ISSA Convention.

Upcoming Events/Reminders

October 17th – Triple E Sales Swap Meet – Orion, IL

October 25th and 26th – FOCL Haunted Trails – Sugar Bottoms Day Use Area

October 26th – Trail Work Day – Meet at Legion at 7:30 am

November 9th – Trail Work Day and Membership Drive

November 22nd – 24th – ISSA Convention – The Pzazz, Burlington

Motion to Adjourn – Rob Brumm – Second – Denny Custer - Approved

Meeting Adjourned 8:43 pm