

NOWECOS Minutes  
December 1, 2015

Meeting called to order – 7:00 pm – Pres. Brad Moore  
Quorum established

November Minutes – Accepted

**Treasurer's Report** (Duane Core): – Moved to accept – Jenn Tonso, 2nd  
Bill Spicer – Treasurer's Report Accepted

Mike Henderson welcomed as a new member.

**Trails Report** (Ralph Stewart): Lack of snow discussed. Best to ride  
trails. People are going above the trailheads to park. Not enough snow to  
groom yet.

**CSA Report**: Ron Spencer reminded us the CSA State Convention is  
January 22 -24 at Mt. Princeton in Nathrop, CO. Put on by Salida. Contact  
Ron if you are interested in running for District 2 Rep. (our district). The  
positions for CSA Vice President and Treasurer are also open. Contact  
Ron Spencer if you are interesting in running for either of these positions.

**Groomer Report**: (Joe Tonso): The Groomer is ready when we have  
enough snow. Jimmy Rossi replaced the harness. All fluids are checked  
and filled, the SPOT satellite transmitter is in the Cab and the groomer was  
started and ran. Containers for Groomers' personal gear are on and  
ready. The logbook and chain saw gas are in the groomer. Jimmy Rossi is  
to check and if needed, repair the groomer chain saw, chain and pull rope.  
The chain saw needs to be put in a locked area on the groomer.  
Dave W. to check with the ATV club to see if we can use any of their 2 new  
chain saws.

There is a gas stove for heat at the Groomer Barn.

Joe T. reminded all groomers to make sure the groomer is completely  
fueled up before grooming.

The list of survival gear to be kept in the groomer was read and discussed  
at the end of the meeting. Groomers decided which equipment was  
personal and which was to remain in the groomer.

Some gear will need to be purchased.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Raffle Ticket sales:** (Jenn Tonso) Between members selling tickets on their own and selling at Craig merchants, 1,677 of the 2,000 tickets we had were sold. Total money = \$8,385 was mailed to CSA. We usually get about 40 some % back, which we put towards awarding scholarships for Moffat county students. There was a total of \$133.00 in additional scholarship donations. Joe and Jenn Tonso will not take charge of the raffle ticket sales next year. We need to consider if we will sell raffle tickets next year. Dave W. moved to give Joe Tonso \$100 as compensation for gas used. 2nd, Bill S. Motion Passed

**CSA Capital Grant:** Members are to be thinking what project we might apply for. The project(s) are for physical projects, with club matching funds and club volunteer work. The Grant forms will be out mid March to April and due in May. Normally CSA has a total of \$75,000 - \$80,000 to dispense among Grant applicants. Most Grants are awarded in the \$5,000 range.

**Board of Directors Bylaws review:** Brad to set a date and time.

**T-Posts:** Duane C. checked on price for 7 ft. posts = \$6.10. Dave W. to check price at Murdoch's.

Ron DellaCroce, Park Manager, will donate 45 t-posts to be put up from the end of Circle Creek to California Park. These t-posts were delivered on Friday, December 4. A workday to be scheduled.

Forest Service did not cut fallen or problem trees on Groomed trail from Fern Park to Trail B-1.

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**Upcoming Events:** December 6–NOWCOS Christmas Party 5:00 pm.

At Nancy and Duane Core's home. Joe T. will

email directions to Members.

The club will provide turkey and ham. Bring 2 potluck dishes and own service. There will be a White Elephant gift exchange for those wishing to participate. Gifts not to exceed \$10.

January 30 – NOWECOS Annual Poker

Run.

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Craig Avalanche Safety Day – No

information yet

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**NEW BUSINESS**

Master Petroleum provided NOWECOS the 1,000 gal. fuel tank, transferred old fuel to new tank for free and topped off the fuel tank. Dave W. moved, that NOWECOS pay Master Petroleum's Business membership for this season. 2nd Ron S. - Motion passed.

Joe T. moved, NOWECOS pay Extreme Power Sports (Gary Eubanks) Business Membership for providing us the demonstration snowmobiles for raffle ticket sales. If he has already joined through the Steamboat Club to keep him on our Sponsors' list in the Snow Scoop. 2nd Dave W. - Motion passed

Dave W. moved to pay NOWECOS membership fee in Blue Ribbon Collision. 2nd Joe T. Motion passed.

Duane Core: Discussed getting more gravel around groomer fuel tank and driveway. Lightner has volcanic rock, Wagner has pit run. Duane C. to check with Ansen on available rock and limestone rock, also delivery and spread costs. Duane said it could cost up to \$500. Joe T. said, If needed, he would cover gravel related costs over \$500.

Joe T. Moved, his above offer. 2nd Bill S. Motion passed.

Duane Core: The Property Tax on the 5 acres owned by NOWECOS (groomer barn area) over \$120/year. The refund has been received.

We need to be thinking about nominations for the annual CSA awards. Specifically, Groomer of the Year. Joe T. to send out information to the club when he receives it from CSA.

Discussed Prinoth Grooming Clinic at Grand Junction. All club attendees felt it was the best clinic. Joe T. will get the clinic certificates to last year and this year attendees when he receives them from Prinoth.

Jenn T. to send Thank You card to Joe Clark - Prinoth for the great clinic.

Potential Problem Discussion:

1. Flat Tire Bicycles – groomed trail use
2. Timber Tracks - Must have motorcycle and

snowmobile registration numbers

3. Lion Hunter parking and registration of snowmobiles

4. Snowmobiles must have registrations whether on the trails, riding the forests, or on their trailers at the trailheads.

Joe T. will send in CSA Charity information.

Joe T. will email members information on putting in extra t-posts, marking trails and grooming as snow permits.

Discussed: 1. Need to cut trees on groomed trails.  
2. Need to mark ATV restrictors put in above Sawtooth Park.

Dale Clark to see if a representative of Classis Air Rescue would come to our January meeting to inform NOWECOS members of their program and advantages to us.

Next NOWECOS Meeting – January 5 – Tuesday, Moffat County H.S. 7:00 pm. Room 102

January Treats: Ralph S.

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes Submitted – Jenn Tonso – Secretary