

NOWECOS Minutes
February 2, 2016

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

January Minutes –Change in December Minutes – “Our present Spot cost is about \$109/yr.” - Correction made to read \$99/yr. Minutes approved with change

Treasurer’s Report, Snowmobile Raffle & Poker Run Net Report, Duane Core - Motion to accept Jenn Tonso, 2nd Joe Tonso – Accepted

Trails Report, Ralph Stewart – Trail are in good shape. Poker Run route re-groomed on Monday after the Poker Run. We need to put more marker poles at Johnson’s Meadows. Members going through that area to put up needed marker poles. We need to mark the West Prong gate and another arrow sign on C6 trail, off the old road.

CSA Report, Jenn Tonso – Sent Poker Run article and 3 pictures to both Snow Scoop editor and NOWECOS website editor for publication in both.

Groomer Report, Joe Tonso – Dave Watson got filters for the Groomer. Groomer Work Day – Feb. 10, at Groomer barn, 9:00. Will change oil and filters, other maintenance as needed. Jimmy Rosie discussed tiller valve with Prinoth, We have the valve, will replace it when needed. Right now the tiller is going up & down. There is another small cut on outside right track belt. It should be OK. We will wait until summer to replace outside track, when Prinoth has more belts. Dave Watson picked up some inner belts from Prinoth at no charge.

Road Dept. might not plow to Wilderness trailhead if snow conditions increase. If they don’t, the trailhead will move down to the area just off hwy. 13. We hope this won’t happen.

Groomer shed panel damage has been taken care of.

Old Business

SPOT and De Lorme discussion: SPOT Generation 3 no better than what we have. Groomers to send OK message while Groomer warms up. Review how to send SPOT message. SPOT goes to 3 designated persons

John Jepkema discussed De Lorme’s Explorer Model usage & positive points. (100hr. rechargeable battery, text & email, preset messages, tracking mode, beep & indication when receiving text, person receiving message within 10 minutes, cigarette lighter receptacle to recharge, up to 10 people can receive a message, screen time short. Prices - \$300/yr., no contract, \$25/month for John’s program, can put on vacation, SOS goes to “in-reach” contacts Sheriff, local departments)

He is lending his De Lorme to Bill Spicer to use on the Thursday grooming trip.

Capital Grant: Still considering applying.

Board of Directors Bylaws review: The 4 Officers & 3 Board members to review before meeting. Meeting of the 7 members, prior to NOWECOS March regular meeting. Tuesday, March 1 – 600 pm – 7:00 pm.

Groomer of the year award: Be sure to send your nomination for Bill Spicer. See earlier email to all members.

Avalanche Safety Clinic Report, Ralph Stewart - A very good session with 22 attendees.

Poker Run Report, Brad Moore – Highest money net ever. Almost \$600 in cash donations beyond the money for poker hands played. The net and donation monies go into the scholarship fund.

NEW BUSINESS

Scholarships – NOWECOS scholarship applications due March 31. Motion, Jenn Tonso - 2nd David Bray – Motion passed. Another Motion, Bill Spicer - 2nd David Bray Award 4 scholarships this year. Motion passed

CTO Marketing Matching Grant Program: Sent to clubs by CSA. Discussion followed. It was felt the negatives far outweighed the positives. Motion, Jenn Tonso – 2nd, Dave Watson, NOWECOS is in favor of the grant program. Motion unanimously defeated. NOWECOS will notify CSA of our vote.

Snowmobile Safety handout – Brief discussion

Nomination Committee – Brad Moore said he would run for President. Committee members – Dave Watson, Brad Moore, Ron Spencer

March Treats - Jenn Tonso

Meeting Adjourned

Dave Watson – It will soon be Curley Denning’s 80th birthday – aka – “Otis Fudpucker” many of us rode with him before he moved from Craig. A real rider & character. Joe Tonso will email birthday date & address to members as some will want to send a birthday card.

Grooming meeting followed.