Oxbow-Masardis Snowmobile Club Meeting

Minutes - Business Meeting October 10, 2023 10 members present ,

OXBOW MASARDIS S. C.

President's Introduction & Report (Scott Soucy):

Meeting was called to order at 6:21p.

Gary Currier spoke on behalf of Scott Soucy, sharing the following items:

- Masardis 4-wheeler club will not be working on the St. Croix Bridge.
 Discussion ensued regarding spending for this project. It was reported that the OMSC has historically spent \$5000 on trails without returning to members for discussion. It was determined that \$2000 of the historical \$5000 amount would be applied to the bridge repair. Gary will reach out to Scott to determine a workday.
- 2. Ian Rafford will move the Pisten Bully from Al Currier's garage to The Homestead, where Scott will have a place for work to be done. Thank you to Al and Audrey for sharing their space. Thank you to Scott for creating new space. Thank you to Rafford's for moving the PB.
- 3. Lenny and Scott will be working on PB maintenance.

Vice President & Project Director(Gary Currier):

Equipment funding grant was approved.

23-24 operating grant request is in process.

Signage - all trail signs are completed with the exception of hand-written information signs.

Secretary's Report (Leslie Currier):

A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the prior meeting. Minutes were approved by attendees.

It was established that meeting minutes would be e-mailed to club members.

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Treasurer's Report (Sabrina Soucy):

The treasurer's report was discussed, a motion made and seconded to accept, and the report was accepted by attendees.

Committee Reports:

TrailMaster report (Lenny Duckett):

None provided.

Website & Facebook (Seth Thomas):

The website is up-to-date.

It was recommended that we tag other clubs when posting to Facebook.

Meetings, Events & Fundraising:

Give Butter: no new donations; the "text to" aspect of the QR code is no longer available and needs to covered up on our signs and postings.

Ashland Drags - follow-up

Lessons learned:

We can be successful at soliciting donations - water, some soda, cash towards food, food, propane.

Club members can work together to put a plan in motion.

The event takes a good deal of club member time and physical effort.

To participate next year we would want to look at type of food we are able to offer and the location of our tent.



Membership (Audrey Currier):

We have 37 memberships for the new season, '23-24. as of the meeting date.

Building Committee (George McPherson):

Building discussion on hold while OMSC determines best use of club real estate. (See below.)

Old Business:

Equipment Funding grant - noted above St. Croix Bridge Repair - noted above Grass Drags - noted above

New Business:

Status of club real estate

The clubhouse real estate encompasses 50,000 square feet, which is not sufficient to be dual-purpose.

The zoning is currently residential vs. general management.

The choice appears to be 1. residential house or 2. groomer shed

Facts for further consideration and discussion:

The estimate to upgrade the plumbing and electricity at the clubhouse = \$6000.

The estimate to demolish and bury the house = \$5000.

Trail route names and labels

To be determined.

Use of Oxbow Community Center for meetings

Confirmed.

Plowing for groomer shed and community center

To be determined.

Club communications

Discussion re: official club address, directing mail - no resolution.

2023-24 calendar

Club meetings the 2nd Tuesday of Oct/Nov./Jan./Feb./Mar./Apr./May

Club meeting, potluck and yankee swap scheduled for Sat., 12/9 at 5 p.m.

All meetings to be held at the Oxbow Community Center.

Winter carnival by the community appreciation group is tentatively scheduled for 2/17.

Other discussion:

Radios for groomers - 2 radios, \$30/month, 6-months, \$180/year. Sabrina will seek clarification on this hill

New drag - requires welding and lights. Question was raised about holding onto the older drag as a back-up. Status of old and new drag to be assessed by TrailMaster.

Motion to adjourn, seconded, approved.