

Oxbow-Masardis Snowmobile Club Meeting

Business Meeting 2/13/2024

The meeting began at 6:20 pm with 9 members present.

President's Introduction & Report (Scott Soucy):

Trail Info:

85 North (Houlton Brook Bridge) required major bridge repair. 7 Islands provided the materials.

85 South (Trout Brook Bridge) had a hole in it. Scott patched.

Machine Info:

Tucker -replaced new track, wearing ok, ongoing tighten required

Pisten Bully -lost hydraulic pumps and possibly the hydraulic motor; awaiting final estimate; this will be a significant issue for the club to deal with

Vice President & Project Director(Gary Currier):

No report.

Secretary's Report (Leslie Currier):

Minutes were previously distributed via e-mail.

A motion was made to accept the minutes as written - it was seconded and club members voted to accept.

Treasurer's Report (Sabrina Soucy):

December '23 ending balance \$27,876.38

January '24 income \$60.00

January '24 expense \$415.62

January '24 ending balance \$27,520.76

A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's report - it was seconded and club members voted to accept.

Committee Reports:

TrailMaster report (Lenny Duckett):

See President's Report above

Website & Facebook (Seth Thomas):

The website reflects a lot of traffic.

Our Facebook stats are as follows:

Post Reach [the number of people who saw any of our posts at least once] ~696,000

Post Engagement [the number of reactions, comments, shares and clicks on our posts] ~13,000

Page Likes [the number of new likes of our page] 82

Page Followers - 166 new followers for a total of 3367.

The process for trail updates was discussed. Currently visitors to the OMSC website are re-directed to the OMSC Facebook page. Lennie Ducket will communicate status of trails to Scott Soucy, who will post on the OMSC page. Seth will be looking into the feasibility of receiving memberships and payment via our website. It was noted that the MSA on-line application process may not charge the same for membership as does membership through a club. Scott Soucy will reach out to Matt Stedman on this.

Meetings, Events & Fundraising:

Winter Carnival by Friends of Oxbow, scheduled for 2/17

Further discussion will occur after the OMSC meeting.

Membership (Audrey Currier):

Membership currently stands at 78.

Building Committee (George McPherson):-

The church is contemplating the donation of the community center and land to OMSC. Gary Currier reports that, after multiple conversations with LUPC staff, it appears that the two properties together would result in three viable options for building a groomer shed. The building committee will be meeting to review the options and make a recommendation to the club. Attorney Rick Currier will assist with legal items as the club moves forward. Matt Stedman has indicated Irving may donate gravel for a pad from a local site.

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Old Business (items not included in above reports)

Donation line on membership form. The Secretary will add this line to make it easier for individuals to make a donation when joining the club.

New Business:

Process for club officer elections reviewed. A nominating Committee was appointed at this meeting - Sabrina Soucy, Paul Soucy, and Audrey Currier. will serve. The Nominating Committee will present a slate of officers at the March meeting. Club Members will vote at the April meeting.

Club mailing address. It was discussed that the club establish a consistent mailing address for club business.. At present, mail is going to multiple people in multiple locations. After a motion and amendment, it was determined that Sabrina would contact the Ashland Post Office and, at a cost of less than \$100 a year, secure a po box in Masardis or Ashland.

Local access trail item. The river trail is currently not viable due to trees down and a low area that needs to be filled. The latter will happen when there is sufficient snow and then the trail will be cleared. In the meantime, a "trail closed" sign will be placed at the intersection of the trail and Oxbow Road to advise riders to not use the trail.

Next meeting: Tuesday, 3/12 6:15p at the Oxbow Community Center