



Oxbow-Masardis Snowmobile Club Meeting

Business Meeting October 11, 2022

Meeting called to Order @ 18:10 Eastern by Paul Gray, President.

President's Introduction (Paul):

Welcome by Paul, good to see everyone. The plan is that we will not have a November meeting, so the next will be in December and would like to pick a date for this event later this session.

Vice President (Scott):

Not currently present.

Secretary's Report (Seth):

Seth sent out the prior meeting minutes from May on July 10, 2022. Can review if requested. No requests. Gary asked if minutes can get out a little faster. Seth noted depends on load level but will be out faster this week.

[Sabrina made a motion to approve, Audrey seconded, unanimously approved by those in attendance.]

Treasurer's report (Lori):

Last report was in August. Currently have a good balance on the books of \$40,341.01 after all income and expenses.

[Audrey made a motion to approve, Sabrina seconded, unanimously approved by those in attendance.]

Paul made a note that there is a new CPA in Patten that will do the filing for the club, Mellissa Edwards, at the firm Calculations Inc., which is estimated at a cost of \$350-500/year. She is accustomed to not for profit entities.

Trail Master's report (Bo):

Not present, out guiding this week. Per Paul, it looks like there won't be a 71D trail this year to get out to Libby Camp. Based on the new routing this season will be 65 miles rather than 28. Will be a much longer ride for those sticking to the trails. Have not yet looked into Church Rd and if it will be plowed or not for the season.

The second groomer was purchased, insured, etc. as well and all the financing complete. Still located in the Chapman Ridge Runner's Shelter and will likely get it hauled by Rafford Trucking a little later in the fall. Bo will be hauling the drag back from the community college as it's being used as a template for the new drag the Chapman club is having built. The trail team went and looked through a full maintenance on the groomer to understand the process. The club received \$48,500 (more than the \$40,000 expected) from the state grant, rolled-in the last two payments on the existing drag for the Tucker with a new balance of \$66,782.10 for 6-years.

Membership (Audrey):

So far, 30 memberships have been recorded for the year, 4 additional members tonight, others still pending, which is pretty normal.

Website, Facebook, & Givebutter (Seth):

- Website hosting cost will be going from \$132/year to \$192/year (all inclusive)
- We have already received our first Give Butter online donation of the year, \$50 from **Donald Ouellet** (thank you!)

Explained how Give Butter works with the online donation system for Gary and the club. How we do campaigns, etc.



Meetings, Events & Fund Raising

Discuss with Scott on the fundraising. The next meeting will be at the Homestead Lodge. The MSA Super Raffle is another good source of fundraising. We get 50% of the tickets sold for our club, so this provides some funding.

It was suggested to call the fundraising group together to have a discussion. [Justin, Alicia, Trisha, Seth]

Christmas party was decided to be Dec 10th, and will be a potluck @ the Homestead Lodge, at 5:30PM.

Old Business:

- Briefed at the BBQ in August, and it was not brought up about the Libby Grass and it was discussed about the scholarship fund. Officers discussed and it was summarized at the BBQ and we did a \$250 donation on behalf of the club and received a thank you letter from the school district and the family.
- No other old business.

New Business:

- Paul would like to institute a building committee about where to have the club in the future, a facility, updating our current location, etc. for the needs of the club, where groomers could be better maintained, events held, etc. We have an asset in this facility which could be converted into another building/facility, commercial site, etc. With commercial, you must have 175ft of road frontage. Rezoning if necessary is a \$1000 fee just to get the application done.
 - Gary Currier, Todd Weeks, and George McPherson volunteered for this committee.
 - They should self-select a chair and come back with some options.
- Bo Garside and Gary Currier took their official groomer course and were presented with their certificates.
- Paul received a quote from Aroostook Technologies for a new radio for the second groomer for 50W radio along with an antenna and for a total of \$524. VHF 50W mobile ICOM.
 - Seth will ask Wade about what radio is used to make sure that it is a good fit. *[Audrey motioned to approve; Brent seconded.]*
- Paul would like to take a section of trail and make it a memorial for Don Whipple. *[Seth motioned to approve; Brent seconded.]*
- Received a bill for the Tucker for the annual service + the new track (which was \$1700 more than quoted). Additional cost of bearing replacement as well as the interlocker was done. Total was \$14,102. Paul will try to get this cut down, verify the warranty work on the carrier was not billed at labor.

[Seth made motion to adjourn, Brent seconded. Unanimously passed.] – Meeting Adjourned @19:15

Attendance Roster:

#	Name	Notes	#	Name	Notes
01	Paul Gray		07	Sabrina Soucy	
02	Judy Gray		08	Todd Weeks	
03	Lori Garside		09	Gary Currier	
04	Audrey Currier		10	George McPherson	
05	Seth Thomas		11	Brent Harmon	
06	Paul Soucy		12	Diane Harmon	