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November 2022 Meeting Minutes

The scheduled meeting was held on November 8, 2022 at the Mitchell Hill BBQ in Rochester. The meeting was called to order by Nick Bickford at 7:03 pm. There were 22 members present.

Secretary's Report

Ginny Abresch presented the October meeting minutes to the membership. Copies of the minutes were available on site and were also posted on the website for members to review before the meeting.

The minutes were accepted as read.

Membership Report:

Deb McLaughlin reported 31 new memberships this month for a total of 80 members so far this year. She paid NHSA \$312.00 for memberships they have processed via their website.

Membership report was accepted.

Trail Master Report:

Bob Bickford reported Summer Grant in Aid, Project 1 - Moose Mt / Cor. 22 trail regrading is 100% complete and the final billing in process for reimbursement.

Project 2 - Primary 352 regrading from Rail Trail across from Napa to the top of the hill. Nick Milliken and his crew have regraded and brushed this section of the trail. The final billing in process for reimbursement. We need to purchase mulch hay and seed then apply to trail to complete this project. This is needed for final billing and to close out this grant. The RTP Grant: Project 1 - Lion's Club Camp Pride Trail reroute is 100% complete with final billing in process for reimbursement. Project 2 - Trail Gates at town road crossings. We have donated gates from BOT. We need to calculate materials/supplies to install, those costs will determine how much is left to purchase gates. Farm Gates: We can purchase up to \$2,500 of non-US produced steel products.

We'll purchase as many as we can, with PT posts, and stay within the grant amounts. This project has to become a priority as it needs to be completed and billed prior to Dec. 30th. Replacement Groomer – Bob discussed options with Track Inc (Tucker) representatives at NHSA Trails Workshop Nov. 5. A direct replacement is a 2023 Tucker Terra 1100, which is currently more expensive than the next size up, a 2000. The 1100 is less powerful (HP) and not as heavy duty as the 2000. The 2000 E is less expensive than a 2000 G, but would need to have air lockers added to the differentials which brings the price close to the 2000 G. The 2000 G is a heavier duty machine that will withstand the wear and tear of normal use longer than the 2000 E model which should reduce the repair and maintenance costs over the long term. See attached [Groomer Replacement Cost/Funding Spreadsheet](#). Long term, the most cost-effective replacement will be the 2024 Tucker Terra 2000 G with winch without a trade. If we get the full \$80K RTP and Summer GIA goes to 75% reimbursement for equipment. Volunteers working on the State Rail Trail are not allowed to use power tools unless they have taken the Safety Class. Bob Bickford will be getting his certification and holding safety classes in the near future. Those taking the class will need hard hats and chaps.

Trail Master Report was accepted

Treasurers Report:

Deb McLaughlin reported our bank account is balanced through to 11/8/2022. So far she has collected \$1,750 from Shirt Sponsors, \$100 from Sigh Sponsors, \$2,000 from map ads Sales, \$770 from donations, \$6500 from map sales and \$715 from memberships. Club expenses were \$46.97 misc. office, postage, admin expenses, \$4,000 for Northern Trail Grants and \$33.75 for the sign project. Our checking balance is \$15,443.42 and our Capital reserve is \$9,033.98 for a total of \$24,477.40 available funds.

Treasurer's report was accepted

Old Business:

Nick Bickford is selling NHSA Super Raffle tickets. Cost is \$20 per ticket.

New Business:

There is an OHRV Safety class available. Volunteers working on the state rail trail will need to participate in the safety class if running power tools. Bob Bickford will be certified and teaching the class for anyone in the area. Club voted to order \$1,000 of sponsor shirts to have a stock inventory on hand. Our new map is almost ready to go to print. We are finishing up recording the new reroutes on our trails. There are 8 new ads for this edition. A motion was made to increase the map price to \$10. It was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ginny Abresch