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October 2023 Meeting Minutes

The scheduled meeting was held on October 10, 2023 at the Granite Steak and Grill in Rochester. President Nick Bickford called to at 7:01 pm. There were 24 members present.

Secretary's Report

Ginny Abresch presented the September 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.

Membership Report:

Membership director Deb McLaughlin reported there were 9 new members as of the end of September, 2023 for a total of 41 members according to NHSA. Last year at this time we had 49 members signed up. Currently NHSA sends a membership report once a month. Eventually, it will be weekly. There is a membership link online. <u>https://tinyurl.com/PowderMillSC</u>

Membership report was accepted.

Trail Master Report:

Bob Bickford reported that he submitted the club's Winter GIA application. We applied for 539 hours with the 3 groomers. The application period ended last Friday and BOT will be meeting soon to determine our amount. Last year we applied for 539 hours and only used 392. We also applied for reimbursement for plowing the DOT lot on Rt. 11. We get 50% reimbursed up to \$1,000. We will know where we stand by the November meeting. This season we will have a 15% increase from our previous base rate from \$61/hour. This coming season's rate of reimbursement will be \$70.15/hour. Billing is done by the 10th of the following month when grooming was done and reimbursement checks are received before the end of that month. Last

season our southern groomer billable hours were about 50% of the northern groomer. We need to get that groomer out more this year when conditions warrant grooming. We need to fix the Primary351, there are currently 2 bridges that need to be replaced, a washout repair and a beaver dam removed. There is also work that needs to be done at the Shell station in Rochester that can not be budgeted for this season. We may not be able to groom side trails in Farmington if they are not brushed out, too much potential damage to the groomer. Volunteers will need to contact PMSC officers before going out on their own so not to go on property that the club does not have permission for. There is a washout F & G at Moose Mountain. We have \$2,500 left in our Summer Grant in Aid grant which will be used to pay for the replacement of one of the bridges on Primary 352.

Trail Master Report was accepted

Treasurers Report:

Deb McLaughlin reported our Income summary: Grant funding for summer trails: \$ 11,422, Membership dues for Sept. \$840, Groomer Donations \$1,200, Fundraising- Signage was \$300 for a total Income of \$14,052. Our Expense summary: Office and Membership Drive \$270, Trial Work North Club funded \$123, Signage \$95, For a total of \$510 Expenses for October. We have \$16,785 in the checking account, \$4,037 in Capital Funds and \$3,755 in the Groomer Fund.

Treasurer's report was accepted

Old Business:

Sponsor A Highway is this Sunday, Oct 15th. Crews will meet at the New Durham Firehall at 9 am. Trail work for the rest of the month will be the following Sundays beginning at 8 am. Watch Facebook for the latest updated information. Volunteers are asked to bring UTVs, chain saws and other equipment. Trailside Powersports will tune up our saws for no labor charge, only parts if needed. The "lick and stick" newsletter went out last week to our membership thanks to Ginny Abresch and Deb McLaughlin. Zach Russ made arrangements to print out the four-page color newsletter at no cost to the club.

New Business:

Charlie Lincoln gave a report of his experience working 5 Days at the Grass Drags this year in Epping NH. It was a terrific time with different assignments every few hours. He worked the water cross, security, wristbands, put up fences, snow fences, check backpacks. Everyone was trying to give him food or drinks. He made \$420 for the club. Thank you for your time. A motion was made and seconded to reimburse Mike G. up to \$250 for materials to build an outhouse up at the cabin. Mike also requested help to clean up firewood at the cabin and Camp Pride.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Ginny Abresch