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## **December 2024 Meeting Minutes**

The scheduled meeting was held on December 10, 2024, at the Granite Steak and Grill in Rochester. President Nick Bickford called to the meeting to order at 7:06 pm. There were 21 members present.

#### Secretary's Report:

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

The minutes were accepted.

# Membership Report:

Membership director Deb McLaughlin reported there were 65 members this month. Last year we had 94 at this time. We received \$455 in dues with \$130 going back to NHSA. We received \$130 from NHSA for memberships. A total of \$325 was added to our bank account. Deb gave general instructions to new members on how to join the club online. She no longer has the ability to access the portal to register members.

Membership report was accepted.

#### Trail Master Report:

Bob Bickford reported that Mike G has been working like crazy on our trails. 80% of all the trails have been brushed and cleared. Corr. 22 from Alton to Moose Mountain is ready to go, although there is a water area on the way to Alton that still needs to be addressees. Fallen trees rerouted a brook. The bridge we built a few years ago no longer has water under it and the water now goes over the trail. It is a tough area with Fish & Game and new property owners involved. We need to get permission to groom there. We can only groom to Stockbridge Corner and can't cross the two bridges. P352 is open from Johnson's to Spaulding HS. Baxter Lake is open and there is a little work left on Peaslee Loop. River Road bridge was rebuilt by town of Farmington. We need to cover it with plywood so that sleds do not damage it. Just waiting to hear it's ready to go. River Road project's steep hill has been graded and the landowner asked to address the land. Stu seeded and mulched

the trail and the landowner is happy with the work. Powersports Junction crossing is finished and new signage will be posted. New fill was put in RR bed to safely access trail. This year we have more available parking areas. The DOT lot, Johnsons, Powersports Junction, Robert's Cove for trail to the Den area and parking at Camp Pride too. They have requested to stay off the paved parking area near the athletic fields. All the parking lots have been now been added to the map. Orange trail signs didn't come through this year. The vendor out of Florida did not provide the signs in time. We have managed to get signs from other clubs. Summer GIA is used up. We have extra funds (about \$1,500) that we will need to return. The project to grade a trial was put on hold because of potential logging. It didn't happen and there is not enough time to get permission for a new project when funding must be spent by end of the month.

Groomers are greased and will hook up the drags. We can use Trailside garage to service the groomers. We will store them there for easy tail access. The groomers have been under over at the Bickford Farm all summer. Our old drag will be a spare.

Trail Master Report was accepted

## Treasurers Report:

This was a quiet month. The T shirts arrived and cost to print 77 shirts was \$1,083.80. We need to sell 36 shirts to cover the cost of printing. So far, we have sold 34 shirts. Money from the 20 sponsors at \$275 each totaled \$5,500. Maps are for sale for \$10. Ending checking account balance is \$18,277.22 and the capital Fund balance is \$11,225.12 with the groomer fund now at 0. Total cash on hand is \$29,502.34. The credit card balance is \$35.00.

Treasurer's report was accepted

### Old Business:

Nick Bickford has 5 NHSA Super Raffle tickets left for \$20 each available until next Tuesday. The Trailside Cookout is schedule for February 15, 2025

### **New Business:**

Hoping to schedule a Family Ride and Night Ride weather permitting, Deb will deliver shirts to Trailside and Powersports Junction. She will look through old inventory and bring shirts from previous years to Powersports Junction to sell at 50% off.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:31 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ginny Abresch