

NEVIS TRAILBLAZERS SNOWMOBILE MEETING JAN.2, 2010

Meeting called to order by President Karl Dierkhising at 7:05PM with 14 members present. Secretaries' minutes for Nov. 7, 2009 were read. Carl called for a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Chuck and passed.

1. Treasurer's Report:

- Club account balance: \$2045.28
- Trail account balance: \$19707.12
- One \$5000 CD was redeemed to pay for the mowing of trails.

A motion to approve treasurer's report by Joel, seconded by Sandy and passed.

2. Correspondence: We received a Christmas card from Levi Holsapple, who did the mowing of our trails.

3. Committees:

- Trail: We ran into a big snag with reroute of Wilder North. Richard Leesburg has changed his mind and does not want us to run the edge of his fields. We will approach him at a later date.

Bender Creek road, so far, has not been plowed.

We already have had a map stolen at intersection of Akeley cutoff and Ingress Forest road.

Part of Steamboat is now plowed, but possibly it will not be plowed again after beginning of New Year.

Grooming is underway, but we need more snow. Dirt is already showing up.

New bridge grooms nice and it appears to hold snow well.

Trail mowing and brushing cost us \$5200 this year.

In a few weeks Karl will be sending in for our next 25% grant.

- Membership – none
- Fund Raising – None
- Christmas Party – The party was enjoyed by all with 40 members attending. Brown bags auction generated a donation of \$240.00 to the Bethany food shelf.

4. Safety class: Bill Bennett stated 14-16 people attended the safety training and driving familiarization class. He will probably try new class format which has the training class on a CD. Students will register; receive training CD and then do training class at home. On the day of driving familiarization class, students will be tested on training material and then perform driving familiarization portion of the class.

5. Old business – We have not received anything regarding the forms we filled out for Skidoo. A donor has offered to sell us a power trimmer for \$250.00. A motion was made by Carl and seconded by Joel to purchase power trimmer.

6. New Business – discussion was started on whether we should consider purchasing a used machine to do mowing and brushing of trails. It was decided to look into it to see what would be needed and if it makes economic sense.
 - Bill Bennett suggested we send out reminder emails to members of next meeting date. This may make members feel more involved. Previous months minutes could also be included. Roger will send out emails for next month's meeting.
 - Bill also stated he hopes to have a trail camera set up by next meeting. He is presently trying to overcome technical difficulties. Camera will be a link on our website.
 - A suggestion for a club get together in summer was also presented.
 - Club Trips – No definite trips planned, but Tower and Baudette are possibilities depending on snow conditions.

Bill Bennett will provide treats for next meeting.

Motion made to adjourn by Joel, seconded by Carl and passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM

If you have any questions feel free to contact:

President: Karl Dierkhising 218-652-2637

Treasure: Richard Mosbo 218-732-0415

Secretary: Roger Wittman 218-652-4154

Next meeting: 7Pm Saturday February 6, 2010 at the Lutheran Parish Hall in Nevis.

Please mark your calendar, see you there.

Respectfully Submitted, Roger Wittman

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