



**Brule River Riders Snowmobile
Club
Twin Gables Restaurant, Brule, WI
January 19, 2017**

The January 19, 2017 meeting was called to order by Vice President Eric Shaffer at 7:00 pm. President Al Makela was not present

Secretary's Report/Approval of Minutes: Minutes were read and accepted.

Correspondence: Ishpeming, MI hotel brochure

Treasurers Report: Read by Matt Hughes and accepted.

Bills: . none

Groomer Trails: trails were in good shape on Monday. Weather has since turned warm. Railing Priem bridge was hit and damaged. Signs have been put up.

Priem bridge – no update.

Bennett Road – Bruce Bergsten stated he has been playing phone tag with township. Matt Hughes reported that some signs are up.

Special meeting to discuss tractor will be held. Bruce Bergsten, Cliff Walimaki, Dave Whitehead, Matt Hughes and Eric Shaffer interested in attending. Email will go out when Al Makela has all the information ready.

Discussion on cover for Skandic snowmobile. Motion by Eric Lundberg to buy cover. Second by Bruce Bergsten.

NTA: no meeting

Tri County Corridor: no meeting

AWSC: Bruce Bergsten reported the AWSC office is going to hire a part time coordinator. Hope to push funding up from \$250 per mile to \$300 per mile next year. This also raise the limit to get into supplemental.

Social: Hats and shirts still available at Shirts unlimited

Unfinished business:

Jim Nichols letter. Jim was not present so no discussion was held. Bruce Bergsten stated that he and Donna were going to edit the letter.

New business:

KAOS Lakewood ride. Expenses were \$300 last year. Motion by John Deterling, second by Rick Pekkala to pay expenses for Zachary Makela and Brady Brown to attend.

Discussion on Blueberry Trail. Trail is very overgrown and mostly unpassable. Grubie will be logging in area yet this winter. Discussion of renting a tracked skid steer with a mower to clear the trail again so it can be groomed. Weekly rental of this machine could be \$1500 to \$2000. Concerns about getting it stuck. Bruce Bergsten and Cliff Walimaki to go look at trail and see what should be done.

Discussion on conditions of trail with upcoming warm weather. Eric Shaffer stated he would close gates on 235 yet that night. Discussion on trail 24 in Poplar and all other trails. Dave Whitehead made a motion to close 235 and 24 north of Middle Road. Second by Cliff Walimaki. Motion passed with one nay by Bruce Bergsten. Motion revised to include trail 635. Revised motion passed with one nay by Bruce Bergsten. Bruce Bergsten will close trail 24. Matt Hughes to close trail 635. Eric Shaffer to close trail 235.

Next meeting is February 2nd.

Motion to adjourn at 8:10 by Bruce Bergsten, second by Zachary Makela.