

Brule River Riders Snowmobile Club

Twin Gables Restaurant, Brule, Wisconsin January 21, 2016

The Jan 21, 2016 meeting of the Brule River Riders was called to order by Vice President, Dave Whitehead at 7:04 pm.

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

Treasurers Report: was presented by John D.

New Bills: Harnstom's for pole saw repair- Motion to pay bills by Bryan Z. Second by Matt H. Correspondence:

> None

Committees:

Groomer/Trails:

- ➤ Bruce B. states that everything is groomed! The groomer went around Priems Bridge, but everything else is groomed. Conditions across the entire system range from fair to excellent. Bruce B. states that a cutter bar was broken back by the warming shack. It has been brought in for repair at Frankies.
- Matt H. states that the Wild Rivers Trail north of Mikrot Road has ballast rock coming up through the base. Matt H. states that there's approx. 3" of base on the north end of the WRT.
- ➤ Trail 6 bridge- Groomers will not be using the bridge this season until it is replaced. Zach M. marked Trail 6 to try to keep traffic from following the groomer through the gravel pit. The groomer will pass through the pit to Weyerhaeuser Road then on to County Road B to bypass the bridge
- Trail 27 update- Bruce states that he has not looked any further in to the reroute. Eric S. states that the South end needs to be mowed.
- ➤ Priems Bridge- Eric S. talked with Mark Schroeder and the bridge sits on a designated FEMA flood plain. Any changes would require a flood study possibly costing as much as \$15,000.00. A culvert could be installed but needs a flood study. What if we alter the bridge or move it slightly? Mark states that we need an answer. What happens if we do nothing and continue to use it? Bennett Road can be used as a detour, but we need to confirm that it is a snowmobile route since it is not signed as such. Mark is pursuing grant funds for bridge replacement.
- ➤ Blueberry Trail- Bryan Z. volunteered to appear at the County Forestry meeting in Feb. The trail is a mess according to Bruce Brown and he states that there is a bulldozer stuck in there. Bruce Brown states that he will check on it later in the winter to evaluate the project.
- Access to Trail 635- Do we want to discuss a Trail 635 intersection in Lake Nebagamon on Trail 6 and then marking it down the lake? In the past we have avoided anything on the ice or addressing ice conditions. Do we even want to go down that path? (no decision)
- ➤ Bennett Road- Jim Nicholas has discussed with Bruce B. and Bryan Z. that there needs to be Snowmobile Route signs on Bennett Road. Township says that it is no problem, but they are needed in order for it to be technically legal. Jim has asked about marking it on the county trail map to create a loop for Trail 635. Bryan Z. states that he can reach out to the Town if needed to see if Snowmobile Route signs could be placed on the same posts as the ATV Route signs. Do we purchase?

Planning Committee:

➤ A group got together prior to the Jan 21 Member meeting to discuss ground rules for a Planning Committee. In attendance were: Matt H., Bryan Z., Cliff W., Dave W., Donna B., Bruce B., Ken, and John D. Notes were taken based on several suggestions from the members in attendance. They will be summarized and emailed out to the rest of the members with the meeting minutes. The committee is open to any member that is interested in participating. They will meet again prior to the next club meeting on 2/4/16 and review the guidelines and address any pressing capital needs.

Northwest Trails Association:

➤ Next meeting is on Feb 2nd

Tri-County Corridor Commission:

> Coming meeting is next month

AWSC Report:

Minutes will be sent out by John D.

Social/ Activities:

- ➤ Club rides- Bryan Z. can put together a tentative ride schedule
- Weekend Club Overnight ride? Is there an interest? Is anyone interested in putting one together?
- ➤ Is there an interest in a Club Picnic at the shack? Maybe Second weekend in Feb.?
- ➤ Zach M. expressed interest in attending a KAOS weekend ride in Lakewood, WI. This is an AWSC sanctioned ride. Brady B. and Bruce Brown to accompany. Motion by Dave W. Second by Bryan Z. to contribute \$300 to help with the cost of the weekend. Passed unanimously.
- ➤ Donna B. asked about scheduling future safety training. We need to set dates. No dates could be agreed upon

Unfinished Business:

> None

New Business:

- Facebook Page- Matt H. set up a new page that replaces our old page. We were required by Facebook to replace our old "personal" page with a new business oriented page.
- ➤ Membership Chair- Tammy M. has expressed an interest in resigning her post at the end of her term. She is looking for volunteers.
- ➤ Club Treasurer- John D. states that he intends Step down as club treasurer at the end of his term.

Motion to adjourn by Ken and Second by Zach M. at 8:05 pm.

Your Humble and Obedient Servant, Bryan D. Ziemann, Secretary

Next Meeting: February 4th at 7:00 pm at Twin Gables in Brule

Attendees: 15