



**Brule River Riders Snowmobile
Club
Twin Gables Restaurant, Brule, WI
January 5, 2017**

The January 5, 2017 meeting was called to order by President Al Makela at 7:08 pm.

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

Correspondence: Blue Ribbon Coalition membership card received

Treasurers Report: Read by Matt Hughes and accepted. Matt also presented a summary of how much money the club had spent to date on trail maintenance.

Bills: A fuel bill for Cliff. Had to use personal credit card in the groomer. Motion by Rick Pekkala to pay bills. Second by Bruce Bergsten.

Groomer Trails: Everything is open except south end of 235. Trail 4 groomed as far west as Line Road. Tail 6 done. Ground wire broke on Brule groomer.

Beaver Dam near Gregerson Farm. Bruce Bergsten to talk to Mark about reimbursement for costs to trap. Jim Nichols knows Jerry Johnson who traps beavers and would probably do it for low cost – maybe just mileage. We will need a receipt to turn in.

Ditch on trail 4 at logging. Could use some signs.

Priem bridge – survey next week.

Bennett Road – Signs not up yet. Bruce Bergsten working on this.

MOA with county signed for trail 235. This updated MOA allowed the use of ATV's on DOT property between the Checkerboard and the TCC.

Jim Nichols reviewed the letter he had submitted to the Towns of Hawthorne and Bennett. (attached) Both towns received it well. This will be discussed more in 2 weeks at next club meeting.

Hawthorne groomer repair and repair of brusher had a total cost of \$5,509.73. Gear box on brusher has an additional year of warranty.

NTA: SNARS – not this year. ATV road routes approved, Cty E, Cty S and Cty P. Trail Trekker map up and running. Nominations for officers for March election. Eric Shaffer for president, Dan Corbin for secretary, Dan Peel for vice president, Bruce Bergsten for Director, Shannon for Rep and Bernie Conklin for WATV. Nominations open in February and March with elections in March.

Tri County Corridor: no report

AWSC: no report, next meeting in Marshfield, Club will reimburse Bruce Bergsten for Saturday night meal at meeting. Motion by Matt Hughes, Second by Eric Lundberg.

Social: Christmas party went well. Hats and shirts still available at Shirts unlimited

Unfinished business:

Long discussion on tractor and tracks and total costs. The last tractor was \$88,000. It appears this one will be about \$108,000. This includes front 3 point but not the blade. Blade is probably another \$10,000. Discussion of tractor options. Soucey tracks are about \$70,000 for narrow and \$75-80,000 for wide tracks. Zuderberg tracks are about \$75-80,000. Track installation is about \$2,000. Drags are \$16-18,000 for fixed pan and \$25-28,000 for movable pan. Probably \$2,000 to modify our drag to work. Total cost is going to be around \$200,000.

Eric Shaffer to contact NBC bank and confirm our financing.

New business:

Josh Johnson new member was at the meeting.

Next meeting is January 19th.

Motion to adjourn at 7:28 by Zachary Makela, second by Matt Hughes.