



Brule River Riders Snowmobile Club Twin Gables Restaurant, Brule, WI

November 7, 2024

The November 7, 2024, meeting was called to order by President Al Makela at 7:00 pm.

Secretary's Report: Minutes were read. Motion to accept by Dave Whitehead, seconded by Bruce Bergsten. MP

Correspondence: Sno-Goer magazine

Letter from Scott Wayling, who does out books and files our tax papers, the price will be going from \$200 to \$1500. We will now be looking for a different accountant.

Treasurers Report: Treasurer's report was read. Motioned to accept report with the correction by Dave Whitehead, seconded by Bruce Bergsten. MP

Discussion of accessing our PayPal account.

Groomer Trails:

- Members have been out mowing and brushing trails 27, the Tri-County Corridor.
- Signs need to be placed on trails: 235, 635, in Poplar at Barker's Island
- There is also work to be done on 2 smaller bridges on the Poplar Bridge decking and bridge over the Blueberry Creek near Belwood Pit (decking is warped)
- Discussion of 'plastic' signs on trails that need replacing: Trail 4 from Brule and also Trail 27
- Ed Grube will be retiring, but we need to get sand. Discussion of where sand should be placed: Mikrot road – continue down trail, as needed. Motion by Tammy Hanlin, seconded by Zachary Makela to approve \$4,000 to purchase the sand. MP
- David Ashley reported that there is a beaver on the TCC just east of Wiehe.
- There are appliances on the trails – authorities have been notified.
- Brule River State Forest contact has been sent in by Al Makela.
- Dan Gephart informed Al Makela of a new ski trail going in north of the Afterhours Rd.
- Trail 27 - Zachary Makela is out marking the stumps, etc.
- Discussion of work dates – members will be gathering to check trails – no date set.

NTA

- There was discussion of the map, which should be ready soon.
There is a new format – Dairyland insert will not be on the map, There will be trails to Minong. New policy for next year: if a club or NTA believe that an ad plans to be on the map, but hasn't responded, they may pay for the ad with the business to then reimburse the club.

AWSC:

- Bruce reported on the AWSC Fall Workshop and officer reports.
[The bridge over the Poplar River may be eligible for RPT funds – need to check]
- Bruce and Donna reported on the fundraising workshop – ideas that were presented. One was interesting: BOGO drink card
- Bruce reported on attending the Signing workshop

Tri County Corridor:

- November 5 was the last meeting. Paperwork was submitted, but we are still waiting for payment.

Social:

- Christmas Party is scheduled for December 19 at Twin Gables. Social @ 6 and Dinner @ 6:30. RSVP to Donna if you want ribs.

Unfinished Business:

- Discussion of Meat Raffles and Bingo.
November Meat Raffle is on the 13th starting at 6:45 p.m.
November Bingo is November 23 @ 1 p.m. – Purses and Poinsettias.
- Al Makela discussed insurance costs. We could increase our deductible from \$1000 to \$5000 and save \$750. The insurance to protect officers costs \$750. Bruce Bergsten will check at AWSC meeting re: insurances. Tabled at this time.

New Business:

- Bridge inspections – are they complete? There is some inspection that needs to be done in winter.
- Fuel may be an issues this winter. Nelson Speed Stop, in Poplar, have had the fuel pumps locked by the State of WI, probably due to a leak.
Lucky Seven in Hawthorne has also had their pumps locked by the State of WI – not sure why.
- Donna Bergsten reported on speaking with Schwartz and Shea insurance at AWSC workshop. The rep stated that she could get us insurance to cover the officers at lesser price than was discussed last meeting. Also, the insurance rep would quote us a price for insurance if we presented her our current insurance. Donna will proceed.

DATES:

Thursday, November 21 @ 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 5 @ 7:00 PM

Meeting adjourned at 8:17 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Bergsten
BRR Secretary