

TAYLOR COUNTY SNOWMOBILE COUNCIL
December 5, 2013 hosted by SWAT
At Camp 28

Meeting was called to order by President Wally Emmerich at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Matt Roiger, 2nd by Bob Schilling, to approve the November 7th meeting minutes as mailed; motion carried.

Elaine Emmerich gave the Treasurer's report with a balance in the checking account of \$2475.38; balance in Youth Program account is \$1351.58. Motion by Dan Roiger and 2nd by Dave Wille, to approve the Treasurer's report; motion carried. Report attached.

Old Business:

Discussion on ATV 28^o rule signs; Bob Meyer will get prices for signs.

The Council is still looking for a Youth Representative between the age of 14 -17.

Discussion on new snowmobile map; Forestry Department will send out letters after January 1st with old ad enclosed in letter. Club Presidents must let Forestry Department know about any trail relocations for changes on new map.

Bob Meyer gave an update on the CAP/STEP AB407. He reported on the hearing held in Madison with 80 people at hearing and only 2 were against.

New Business:

A letter was received from the US Forest Service approving the new trail contingent on Price County getting their connecting trail approved.

Aszmann gave the supplemental funding report. Taylor County requested \$21,995.30. The prorate for this year is 79%. The advance payment checks were sent out earlier to Grooming Association and Jump River Runners. The final payment checks of \$4670.82 and \$461.95 will go out shortly to Grooming Association and Jump River Runners.

Snowmobile Council email address is tcsnomocouncil@gmail.com. In order to improve communications, please email Elaine Emmerich your email address.

Find Snowmobile Safety classes at DNR website www.dnr.wi.gov. Rock Dodgers classes January 6 & 11 contact Peter Nowak @ 715-748-2135; Jump River Runners classes December 27 & 28 contact Lindy Siemek at 715-668-5322; and Northwoods Riders contact Gary Becker at 715-427-3706.

Trail Report is as follows: corn still standing; groomers have gone up & down Rail Trail.

Trail opening process is: one representative from Grooming Association; Black River Rock Dodgers and Jump River Runners should call Forestry Department and give 1 - 2 days' notice when trail will be opened.

Bob Meyer reported AWSC membership is down statewide and down 129 members in Taylor County.

Next meeting will be January 2nd at Groomer Shed hosted by Black River Rock Dodgers.

Bob Shilling made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Nick Meyer. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Russ Aszmann, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY SNOWMOBILE COUNCIL
November 7, 2013 hosted by WESTBORO SNO-DUSTERS
At Mondeaux Dam

Meeting was called to order by President Wally Emmerich at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Dan Roiger, 2nd by Kevin Klemm, to approve the October 3rd meeting minutes as mailed; motion carried.

Elaine Emmerich gave the Treasurer's report with a balance in the checking account of \$2814.44; balance in Youth Program account is \$1351.58. Motion by Bob Schilling and 2nd by Rick Schmitz, to approve the Treasurer's report; motion carried. Report attached.

Old Business:

Discussion on ATV 28^o rule signs; Bob Meyer will work on the wording. What are the costs? Tabled until December meeting.

New Business:

Bob Schilling, Pine Creek Riders, will report at December meeting on Fun Day which will be held on February 15, 2014.

The Council is still looking for a Youth Representative between the age of 14 -17.

Discussion on preparing to print a new snowmobile map; Aszmann will draft a letter to businesses for map ads; approve letter at next meeting. The map should be ready to go for the 2014 - 2015 season.

Bob Meyer gave an update on the CAP/STEP AB407 & SB343. See attached. Clubs/members should contact their representatives Mary Williams or Jerry Petrowski and let them know what they think. The proposed legislation will provide more money for trail maintenance and also provide a financial incentive to join an AWSC Club. Clubs must send in their roster earlier and purchase Trail Pass from AWSC.

Meyer also reported that Polaris is developing a Map App for smart phones which will reduce need for paper maps. We would need to give Polaris information & updates, revenue would come from ads on App & map.

The 2014 Snowmobile Convention will be held in Green Bay.

There is a proposed holiday hunt for south of State Hwy 64 on farmland. This may have an effect on trail openings. Call 1-888-936-7463 for more information.

AWSC membership is down by 4000 members over last year. Local clubs should possibly contact members who have dropped out.

There are two landowner issues east of Rib Lake which will need to be looked into.

Next meeting will be December 5th at Camp 28 hosted by SWAT.

Kevin Klemm made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Starla Meyer. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Russ Aszmann, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY SNOWMOBILE COUNCIL
October 3, 2013 hosted by WE WHITTLESEY WHIZZERS
At Happy Joe's

Meeting was called to order by President Wally Emmerich at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Mike Roiger, 2nd by Starla Meyer, to approve the April 25th meeting minutes as mailed; motion carried.

Elaine Emmerich gave the Treasurer's report with a balance in the checking account of \$3060.30; balance in Youth Program account is \$1351.58. Motion by Mike Roiger and 2nd by Wayne Troiber, to approve the Treasurer's report; motion carried. Report attached. Discussion on an email account; motion by Paul Pernsteiner and 2nd by Barb Berger, to approve opening an email account for the Taylor County Snowmobile Council. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Regarding ATV use of 28^o signs the following needs to be addressed 1) wording stays uniform; 2) Grooming Association takes care of the their Clubs; 3) form a committee to design sign. The Committee will include Bob Meyer, Kirby Jensen and Mike Roiger.

New Business:

Pine Creek Riders will be the host for next year's Fun Day. The event will be held at the Deer Creek Town Hall on February 15, 2014.

The Council is looking for a Youth Representative between the age of 14 -17. Elaine read a letter from Corey Carstensen thanking the Council for paying for the trip to the International Snowmobile Congress. A great job was done by Corey as the Youth Representative.

It was reported we will need volunteer club members for bartenders at the fair booth.

Westboro Sno-Dusters and Westside Trail Winders have switched dates for hosting their respective Council meetings. Sno-Dusters will host the November 7th meeting and Westside will host the February 6th meeting. Motorschlittin raffle by Rock Dodgers will be held on February 8th. The Calendar of Events will be changed to reflect these changes.

Discussion on reprinting the snowmobile map; Aszmann reported there are 1800 maps left at Courthouse. It may be possible to do a small reprint locally. There are no major trail changes.

Bob Meyer gave an update on the 2 proposed CAP/STEP proposals:

- 1) LRB -2943
- 2) Registration fees \$30/2 years
- 3) 2 tier trail pass @ \$35/nonmember and \$15/club members (AWSC)
- 4) Raise non-residential trail pass \$35 to \$45/year
- 5) Free annual trail pass sticker on sleds 25 years or older

AWSC and Governor Council proposal:

- 1) Registration \$30/3 years
- 2) Two tiered trail pass @ \$30/non-member & \$10/club member (AWSC)
- 3) Raise non-residential trail pass \$35 to \$45/year
- 4) Create \$5 penalty for trail pass purchased after December 1st
- 5) Exempt "vintage" sleds from annual pass.

Bob Meyer is looking for feedback from the clubs on what way to vote on this important issue. Look over the enclosed handouts and/or go to the AWSC.org website. He needs to hear your input by November 1st as the AWSC Directors meeting is Nov. 3rd bobstarla@gmail.com. Clubs can contact him to attend their club meetings if they would like him to come and offer any further info to their membership.

Discussion on new proposed trail; waiting on Price County.

Jeff Peterson proposed a Sno-cross race in Medford. There would be a \$4700 promotion fee that the Council would be responsible for. No one made a motion to look into Sno-cross more closely.

Agenda for upcoming workshop includes looking for items for silent auction for scholarships.

Next meeting will be November 7th at Mondeaux hosted by Westboro Sno-Dusters.

Mike Roiger made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Kevin Klemm. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Russ Aszmann, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY SNOWMOBILE COUNCIL
April 25, 2013 hosted by INTERWALD WANDERERS
At Rib River Bar & Grill

Meeting was called to order by President Wally Emmerich at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Bryan Meyer, 2nd by Rick Berger, to approve the March 21st meeting minutes as mailed; motion carried.

Elaine Emmerich gave the Treasurer's report with a balance in the checking account of \$3236.37; balance in Youth Program account is \$1324.77. Motion by Jim Seefeld and 2nd by Lynn Jochimsen, to approve the Treasurer's report; motion carried. Report attached.

Old Business:

Barb Berger reported the Hope Hospice Benefit was a great event and it was well attended.

New Business:

Signs for ATV winter use in regards to the 28^o rule were discussed; tabled until the September meeting.

Pine Creek Riders will be the host for next year's Fun Day. The event will be held at the Deer Creek Town Hall on February 15, 2014.

Election of Officers was held. Nominations for President: Wally Emmerich, unanimous vote cast for Wally Emmerich; nominations for Vice President: Jim Seefeld, unanimous vote cast for Jim Seefeld; and nominations for Treasurer: Elaine Emmerich, unanimous vote cast for Elaine Emmerich. Motion by Mike Roiger, 2nd by Dennis Lavin to table Secretary election until September meeting; motion carried.

Motion by Dennis Lavin, 2nd by Dan Roiger to table Youth Representative election until September meeting. Clubs should discuss possible candidates at their meetings.

Bob Meyer reported on AWSC meeting. Trail trespassing issues were discussed with a method to keep the landowner out of it. There's a request to have a snowmobile presence at the Youth Expo. Bob also reported on the Mondeaux to Steve Creek trail project and US Forest Service action to approve.

Motion by Mike Roiger, 2nd by Kevin Klemm, to rescind action on tabled nomination for secretary; motion carried. Motion by Dennis Komarek, 2nd by Lynn Jochimsen, to nominate Russ Aszmann for Secretary; motion carried. Motion by Mike Roiger, 2nd by Bob Schilling, to close nominations and elect by unanimous ballot, Russ Aszmann, Secretary; motion carried.

Next meeting will be October 3rd at Happy Joe's hosted by We Whittlesey Whizzers.

Mike Roiger made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Dennis Komarek. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brad Ruesch, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY SNOWMOBILE COUNCIL
March 21, 2013 hosted by NORTHWOODS RIDERS
At Zondlo's Bar

Meeting was called to order by President Wally Emmerich at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Dan Roiger, 2nd by Bryan Meyer, to approve the February 14th meeting minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Elaine Emmerich gave the Treasurer's report with a balance in the checking account of \$3512.51; balance in Youth Program account is \$1324.77. Motion by Rick Schmitz and 2nd by Lynn Jochimsen, to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried. Report attached.

Old Business:

Elaine Emmerich reported on the raffle and Fun Day that was held on February 16th. The Council showed a profit of \$31.27 and the clubs made \$3730.00.

Barb Berger reported all is going well with the plans for the Hope Hospice Benefit Dance to be held on April 12th.

New Business:

The March 31st date for easement to end the snowmobile season was discussed. If we have another year like this next year, we may want to look at extending the easement date.

Ruesch reported on his retirement and suggested the Council submit a letter asking for continued commitment from the County to attend meetings and work with the clubs.

Bob Meyer brought up purchasing ATV 28^o rule signs and put them up on the trail system, as the word doesn't seem to be getting out. Clubs should figure out how many signs they need and we can decide at the next Council meeting how many to order and what the wording should be.

The host and location of next year's Fun Day will be decided at the next meeting. Talk to your club if you are interested in hosting.

Next meeting will be April 25th at Rib River Bar & Grill hosted by Interwald Wanderers.

Lynn Jochimsen made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Bob Schilling. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brad Ruesch, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY SNOWMOBILE COUNCIL
February 14, 2013 hosted by MOONLITE SNO-KATS
At Opie & Tammy's Kountry Korner

Meeting was called to order by Vice President Jim Seefeld at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Matt Roiger, 2nd by Bob Schilling, to approve the January 17th meeting minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Elaine Emmerich gave the Treasurer's report with a balance in the checking account of \$3135.51; balance in Youth Program account is \$1163.27. Motion by Lynn Jochimsen and 2nd by Starla Meyer, to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried. Report attached.

Old Business:

Fun Day is February 16th. The Council provides up to \$400 for beverages. The event starts at noon at Gad with the drawing at 3:00 PM.

Barb Berger has Hope Hospice benefit information and tickets.

New Business:

The schedule for Council meetings was discussed. There were seven votes for the 1st Thursday of the month and two votes for the 4th Thursday of the month. Starting with next season Council Meeting will be held on the 1st Thursday.

Trail opening process was discussed. Ruesch wants a "go ahead to open" from one person representing the Grooming Association, Rock Dodgers and River Runners. This year there were issues with the announcement and communications leading up to it. Moonlite Sno-Kats had gates closed and were not notified that their trail was open. The Grooming Association will appoint one person to check with all of the member clubs with that person then contacting the County Trail Coordinator to indicate the trails have all been gone through and are ready to open. There should be a 1 - 2 day notice to the public before the trails actually open.

Snowmobile Safety Courses were discussed and the need for certified instructors. The certification process for instructors was discussed. Moonlite Sno-Kats are interested in developing a safety course in their area of the County.

Jim Seefeld makes a nomination for Bob Meyer, Director and Wally Emmerich as alternate. Matt Roiger made a motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote, second by Elaine Emmerich. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be March 21st at Zondlo's Bar hosted by Northwoods Riders.

Starla Meyer made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Linda Jari. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brad Ruesch, Secretary

TAYLOR COUNTY SNOWMOBILE COUNCIL
January 17, 2013 hosted by PINE CREEK RIDERS
At Little Black Town Hall

Meeting was called to order by President Wally Emmerich at 7:00 pm.

Motion by Dan Roiger, 2nd by Sandy Roiger, to approve the December 13th meeting minutes as mailed. Motion carried.

Elaine Emmerich gave the Treasurer's report with a balance in checking account of \$3135.51; balance in Youth Program account is \$1163.27. Motion by Matt Roiger and 2nd by Starla Meyer, to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion carried. Report attached.

Old Business:

All of the snowmobile safety courses went well. Rock Dodgers class did not do well on the testing. Parents need to be involved and a lack of interest are factors. They also feel the ride has to be part of the package.

New Business:

Map reprint was discussed. We still have 4,000 maps and there doesn't appear to be a need to do a new map. It will be discussed at one of the next meetings.

Fun Day is February 16th. Galen Raasch reported on planning for the event at Gad.

Bob Meyer reported on the last AWSC Director's meeting. Meeting and workshop fees may be increased to cover costs. Cameras are being used for enforcement in the southern part of the State.

The Trail west of Donald will end at the County Line, as the Chippewa County Trail is non-existent for this season.

Stumpjumper's Poker run is this weekend. Also it was discussed that the Council meeting date is always changing and is in conflict with their club meeting. Discuss with your clubs holding the Council meeting on the first Thursday of the month.

Barb Berger reported the Hope Hospice benefit plans are progressing. Tickets will be available very soon.

Next meeting will be February 14th at Opie's Bar hosted by Moonlite Sno-Kats.

Dan Roiger made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by Sandy Roiger. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Brad Ruesch, Secretary