

LUDLOW SIDE HILL CRONCHERS MEETING MINUTES

The 11/6/10 meeting of the Ludlow Side Hill Cronchers Snowmobile Club was called to order by President Murphy at 6:36 PM with 15 members present. The meeting was held at the Cool Moose Cafe in Ludlow.

Upon a motion by Randy Ellison, seconded by Rick Yuris the minutes of the 10-2-10 meeting were approved as written.

Upon a motion by Rick Yuris, seconded by Randy Ellison, the Treasurer's report was accepted as presented. Treasurer Ron Bixby explained our efforts to be in compliance with the recently enacted federal regulations related to financial activity reporting. Accountant Tim Faulkner has completed all of the forms and addressed our tax reporting obligations. Next year should be much simpler as the initial information gathering has been completed and a new computer program will keep the records better organized.

All correspondence was reviewed by the Secretary.

Under **trails** Trail Master Randy Ellison reported; the Greenberg trail re-route is complete except for removing the logs to a landing for the landowners, the trail signing for this season is 90% complete, the bridge upgrades on Trail 127 near Route 100 is still in progress, De-Brushing and Brush Hogging projects have been 75% complete, wet weather may keep us from completing certain sections. Also the posts and gates for the Lella property have been taken to the location and Bernie Ellison will attend to having them installed and the new gate for the Pinnacle trail has been installed by Scott Grover. Trail Master Ellison also reported that extensive de-brushing at the Trail 127, Trail 7 intersection has been completed and there will be extensive logging on Trail 7 on the Fire Road this year.

Under **groomer** Danny Stowell reported that Groomer Master Brett Sanderson has completed most of the maintenance for the groomer. There is still work to do on the new drag and welding to do on the old drag. Danny Stowell will work with Brett Sanderson to have the old drag transported to Jack Koponen's who has agreed to do the needed welding. President Murphy reports that a groomer operator meeting and scheduling session for the upcoming season will be held in November. There will also be a groomer operator training in November. President Murphy also reported he is yet to hear from Rick Wood on the subject of a Spot Messenger system for the groomer.

Under **unfinished business** the Activities Committee is working on a schedule for the upcoming season. Rick Yuris has asked anyone with input to please contact him. Assistant Trail Master James Ellis has put up the “Safety Light Signs” at the trail heads. A presentation was made on a proposal to assist the Ludlow Country Store in obtaining the necessary equipment to sell gasoline for snowmobiles this year. Our general goal is to have gasoline available in our area as several surrounding facilities no longer provide it. ***Upon a motion by Rick Yuris, seconded by Michelle Doyle it was voted to loan the necessary funds to the Ludlow Country Store owners to assist with the purchase and installation of a gasoline dispensing system for snowmobiles as outlined.*** Membership Committee Chairperson Missy Waysville forwarded a report that the TMA sales have begun and donations for grooming have started to come in. Vendors have the TMA sales packages and are already selling them. As fund raising Chairperson Missy Waysville also sent in a report that the break open ticket program at the Cool Moose Café is well underway. President Murphy and Treasurer Ron Bixby reported that to date neither the Accountant nor Attorney has been contacted relative to the loan to the Snow Fleas for their new groomer. Treasurer Ron Bixby noted that this loan was approved two meetings ago.

There was no **new business** to come before the organization.

Under **meetings** the highlights of the Windsor County Snowmobile Club meeting were reported. On Monday, November 8th President Murphy will attend a meeting relative to this winters multi club Poker Run and pass along the information to Michelle Doyle who is Chairperson of the event. On Tuesday, November 9th our club will host the Windsor County Snowmobile Club meeting at Sam’s Steak House. President Murphy encouraged our membership to attend to observe the County meeting and help welcome its membership to Ludlow. On December 4th our club will conduct a Snowmobile Safety Course. Safety Officer Ron Bixby reports that 25 students have signed up so far. Also on December 4th our club will hold its annual Christmas party at the home of Tim and Michelle Doyle’s at which a short meeting will be conducted. Members are asked to bring a dish to share. The success of last year’s event was noted.

Upon a motion by Scott Grover, seconded by Randy Ellison, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM