

Tully Trailblazers
Monthly Meeting Notes
12/8/2011

Meeting start time: 7:19PM

Number in attendance: 13

Secretary Report - Tony Zgardzinski taking notes in Heather Rogers' absence.

Meeting notes are now being emailed, great since all members that have given us an email address can view the notes.

Motion to accept: Mike, Ron

Treasurer's/Trail Fund Report – Pat

We have received the 30% checks from Onondaga County, still waiting in 70% check. Money is owed to Bob and Mike for cleats for groomer. We have borrowed from one account for the other, all bills are paid current.

Pat McLaughlin has attended a meeting in which they are trying to streamline and automate the trail funding system. The benefit is an easier and quicker way for clubs to get their money for trail up keep.

Motion to accept: Rick, Rand

Discussion on report:

Mike is wondering where money will come from for groomer repairs. Pat will use both accounts before accessing the line of credit.

Trail Master's Report – Rick in for Bob absence

Pleased with the three new trail captains:

- Eric Shirley C5 – Nate Shirley to Dan Twentyman's property
- Jeff Rothery – Ousby's (Rte 11) to Babcock road (by railroad tracks)
- Wes Yoeman – Top of Meeker Hill to the Hill-N-Dale

New Bridges on Markham Hollow Rd., south of Route 80, between Markham Hollow Rd. and Babcock Rd., behind Apulia Fire Station (funded by Hill-N-Dale). D&D power has donated 15-20 telephone poles.

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Meet set for this Saturday (12/10) at 9AM for a work party. There will be a list of trail work left to be done. Big thanks to everyone who has helped and to the landowners.

The new owner's of KT's Junction (Burdick's) have asked for our assistance to build trail and/or provide signs to the bar. Rick has declined due to the liability of riding on Route 80 or too big of a bridge needed. This has been looked at extensively and Rick has decided we should not be involved.

Motion to accept: Mike, Paul

Discussion: Mike complimented on completing the bridge work for a fraction of the cost.

Groomer Coordinators Report – Mike Dannon

Mike needs tracks at his place to complete repairs. He should have the track rubbers next week and will organize a work party. The BR60 Groomer is done and ready to groom. All that is needed are filters, fluids and fuel.

Motion to accept: Tony, Ron

Membership Report – Rand Manzella

We have 91 members as of 12/7/2011. We had a total of 196 members for last year's season. Membership will go up as it snows. Looking to break 200 members this year.

Motion to accept: Paul, Ross

Vice President's Report – Rick Collis for Ray Herrick (absent)

Ray could not come to the meeting; however he is doing well and is back to work.

Safety Officer Report – Rick Collis

There were 26 participants at the safety course and all passed!

President's Report – Rick Collis

We are making progress on the trails.

Onondaga County Report – Pat McLaughlin

John Russell and Tim Taylor have taken over for Ernie Roosevelt (county coordinator). The cooperation to get clubs their money is much better so far.

Club Activities/New Business – Mike Dannon

-Hill Climbs are scheduled for January 13th and March 3rd. Currently working with Rich Daley and Song Mountain.

-Club ride scheduled for January 15th with the Tawaeri Taqui snowmobile club.

-Need to keep pushing Super Raffle Tickets. \$5 each – club gets \$2.50 for each ticket sold.

-Hog Ride – January 28th

-Pancake Breakfast – February 18th

-We broke even with November's Kickoff Pancake breakfast.

-Pat is working with Kathy Dutton on our new website. Brandon has transferred our web address to us so we can use the same address for less confusion. Pat has sent a thank you for all that he did for the website. Currently looking for someone to take charge of the website and run.

Old Business

-Verizon \$20 down/\$20 a month for unlimited texting so we can text the membership information such as trail work, trail conditions, etc...

-We are in the waiting list for a fundraiser with Doug's Fish Fry in 2013

Motion to accept meeting adjourned: Paul, Ross