

Northern Lights Snowmobile Club

November 30, 2020

Meeting hosted on Zoom

Meeting was called to order by President Jay Schuette with Reg Videgar at 7:07 pm. (Jay was not able to get onto Zoom and joined via phone).

Members present: (Please note the participants are indicated by their Zoom account name) Jay and Linda Schuette, Sue Frank, Karen and Reg Videgar, Ginny Gerlach, John Zabel, Pete Gramoll, Eric Wick, Jeff, sdivito, Chuck Radtke, pkugi, Mark Wallesverd, Jim Nykolayko, Scott Swendson, Tim Schuette, Larry and Betty Roth, Ken Zator, Rick Gensler, Gary Keuler, Cory Bailey, Jenny Videgar Daun, and Dave Wheeler

Jay welcomed all in attendance and thanked everyone for attending.

MINUTES – Sue Frank informed those in attendance that the minutes from the past meetings are posted on the NLSC website for review.

TREASURER'S REPORT – Reg Videgar reported on the finances for the period of 10/19/2020 through 11/16/2020: Beginning balance \$6,448.99 Income \$6,035.00; Expenses \$1,955.99; ending balance \$10,383.00. Reg suggested making another donation to TL Trails for trail maintenance of \$6,000 or \$7,000. Motion by Sue Frank, second by Scott Swendson to donate \$7,000 to TL Trails. All ayes. Reg will coordinate a photo of the check presentation to TL Trails with the newspaper. Reg reviewed the donation goal of \$16,000 indicating the donations raised to date of \$5,330. Sue Frank thanked everyone for their generous donations. Reg thanked Dave Wheeler for the nice work done with the website donation form.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Linda Schuette reported that the club now has 355 members to date this season. Reg encouraged everyone to promote membership into the club with the hopes of increasing our membership list over last year.

OPEN BOARD POSITIONS – Jay informed the club that there are two board positions expiring at the end of this season, President and Secretary/Co-Secretary. He asked for volunteers to come forward to volunteer for these positions. The club needs you! Jay asked Dave to post the search for volunteers on the website.

GROOM TO RIDE – Jim Nykolayko reported that ticket sales are going well. He is looking for volunteers to sell tickets at Trackside. The schedule for selling includes the dates of 12/5, 12/26, 1/9, 1/16, 2/6, and 2/20. Please contact Jim to volunteer to sell during a 4-hour block of time. Jim can be reached at 715-360-6020. This is a fantastic fundraiser for the club.

BADGER TORCH RIDE – Jim Nykolayko updated the club on the ride. The ride will take place on January 15. He is looking for three riders to carry the torch. The Sugar Camp Club will be bringing the torch to the TL Trails Groomer shed. Our club will then ride the torch to the Dairy Queen in Eagle River. Discussion regarding the riders. The club would like to see our youth participate. Suggestions were the Volk girls and the Swendson girls. Another suggestion was an icon of the club. Dan Teresinski was mentioned. Jim will reach out to them. There is another BSG meeting on 12/8 where more information will be gathered. The jackets will be

provided to those who are participating in the entire ride. Jim gave a background of the torch ride to those who have not been informed. Anyone can join in on the ride.

MILITARY RIDE – Jim Nykolayko informed the club of the Military ride for Veterans which is scheduled to take place on January 18. There will be a variety of groups riding. The ride consists of lunch then return to the Derby for dinner and awards. The club donated \$200 to this event in the past. Motion by Sue Frank, second by Jim Nykolayko to donate \$200 to the Military Ride. All ayes. Reg will get the donation to Jim Nykolayko.

BASKET RAFFLE – Sue Frank provided an update. There are raffle baskets at Pine Isle, Bonnie's Lakeside, Jakes, and Tavern on the Loop thus far. Please purchase a square or more to promote the club. Bonnie has raffled off 2 baskets already and has \$575 for the club. More to come. Sue is also in the process of securing cash donations from establishments. Thank you to Reg and Dave for the donation form. The form has made it easier to secure cash donations.

CHILI DUMP – The chili dump has been cancelled.

WEENIE ROAST – The Weenie Roast is scheduled for February 14, 2021 from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm on Maple Lake. This is a change in location. John Zabel reported that he is willing to host the event. He is concerned about Covid. Discussion with club members indicated that the club would like to see the event take place. The event is much safer because it is held outside. John will plan on hosting the event and more discussion will take place at the January meeting.

KAOS – No report. Scott Swendson indicated that there has not been any activity with KAOS due to Covid.

QUEEN – Queen is on hold for the season.

TRAILS REPORT – Scott Swendson reported for Three Lakes Trails. He thanked the NLSC for the \$10,000 donation and the additional \$7,000 donation voted on tonight.

- There is a work weekend scheduled for the upcoming weekend of 12/5. Alvin-Nelma trail brushing. Kip Zent is heading this up. See the TL Trails Facebook page for updates. He needs volunteers with 4 wheelers.
- Scott gave a shout out with thanks to Pitlik and Wick for their work on the gravel pit trail route relocation.
- AWSC report – no updates. The next meeting is in January. The new edition of the AWSC magazine has arrived in your mailboxes which has updates and information in it.
- Scott asked everyone to get their memberships in and to get their trail passes. All of this helps the funding for the trails. He has been promoting membership to the club. Thanks Scott!

WEEKLY TRAIL RIDES – Jay indicated that he is looking for leaders. He is not sure who will be staying on to lead from last year. Linda indicated that these rides were informal in the past. If interested in riding show up at the gas station by 9:30 and ride. Eric Wick will continue to lead on Wednesdays with a site seeing ride.

OPEN ITEMS – Jay informed the club that he, Linda, and Sue Frank presented Joyce Nykolayko with a gift card to thank her and show appreciation to her for all of her hard work and dedication over the years. Sue presented her with a personal gift to thank her for sharing her knowledge and assistance with the newsletter and Christmas party over the years.

- Discussion regarding the delivery of the newsletter for those who do not have access to the online version. Karen will mail out the newsletters to those who request it. Linda asked if it would be possible to put a place to request a mailed newsletter on the membership application form. Dave will add a line indicating such to the membership application.

NEXT MEETING – The next meeting will be held on January 25, 2021 at 7:00 pm on Zoom.

Motion and second to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Frank, Co-Secretary