



## **Fifield Sno Drovers CLUB NEWSLETTER**

**Mike Sloane – President**  
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**Next Meeting: Thursday, January 11th at Idle Hour – 7 pm**

Below are the Minutes from the December 11th meeting at the Round Up

Meeting called to order by Vice President, Jim Clemmons at 6:00 pm

There were 45 people who attended the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all members.

Jim Clemmons thanked the many individuals who have contributed to making the Club a success!

### **SECRETARY REPORT**

Minutes from the previous meeting were emailed to all members. A motion was made to accept the minutes by Sandy Sironi/2<sup>nd</sup> by Bonnie Ida. Motion carried.

### **TREASURER REPORT**

The December Treasurer's report was presented by Melissa Dupke-Bourgeois which included expenditures, deposits and ending balance. A motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Jim Nelson/2<sup>nd</sup> by Sandi Sironi. Motion carried.

**Membership: 273 (includes individual, business and landowner memberships)**

### **TRAIL AND EQUIPMENT REPORT**

Roy Funk reported that there had been seven trail workdays to prepare trails for the upcoming season. Trails remain in excellent shape with one "soft" spot behind the "bed and breakfast". There were also individuals who volunteered for trail maintenance beyond the seven trail workdays. Jim Clemmons reported that he had logged 340 hours of work time among 84 total volunteers with an average of 12 workers per workday.

Maintenance was required on the tractor. Andy Calderwood will be working on the tractor to ensure it is ready when the snow comes.

## **GROOMER UPDATES**

Mike Ida informed those in attendance that 14 groomers attended the groomer refresher held on December 2, 2023. The training lasted 90 minutes. There are currently 19 groomers.

## **COUNTY MEETING**

Jim Clemmons attended the PCSTA meeting on December 11, 2023. The new Price County maps are done and being distributed. The map cost remains \$2 each.

Price County was named a snowmobile friendly county some time ago. As a result, signs will be placed where trails enter Price County to announce the achievement. There will be six signs total.

The PCSTA purchased first aid kits to be placed in the groomer. Jim is hoping to have a qualified individual review the contents of the kit and the uses for the items.

Rick Sironi has been authorized to purchase a cell phone booster to be used in the tractor to ensure help can be reached if needed.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Derek Dieringer reported that the clothing sale went well. Delivery is on track around New Years. Derek will email those with orders and ensure the items are distributed.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Club rides are being discussed and will be communicated via Facebook as they were last year.

Melissa Dupke-Bourgeois informed those in attendance that the Winter Run will be held in January again beginning on January 12<sup>th</sup> and ending at The Big Dipper on January 27<sup>th</sup>. Peggy Kuss distributed the posters and donation packages to volunteers. Melissa indicated that we had added more Platinum level business memberships so it is likely some new businesses will need to be added to the Run cards.

In January, Melissa will distribute cards which can be left at businesses by Club members to let them know that a Sno Drover Club member has patronized them.

Melissa is responsible for the Club's annual raffle. Tickets are \$10 each the same as last year. Winners will be drawn at the Worker's Party on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024. See Melissa regarding the tickets.

A wheel game was played during the evening which netted the Club \$260 and benefitted some lucky Club members.

Thank you to Terry and his team at the Round Up for hosting our Christmas Party. As always, the food was great!

MTA by Sandy Sironi with a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jayne Schoonover at 6:31 pm. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Kuss, Secretary