

Minutes
October 10, 2014
Hague Sno-Goers General Membership Meeting
Held at 231 West Hague Road

Roll Call of Members Present:

Attendance: Thomas Haskell, Meg Haskell, Art Steitz, Beth Crusius, Walter Peterson, Matthew Coffin, and Kim Coffin

President Thomas Haskell brings meeting to order at 7:17 PM.

Mr. Steitz made a motion to accept the minutes of April 11, 2014. Ms. Coffin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Trail Committee: Mr. Coffin reported that he has started to speak with different riders from around Hague to designate them as section chiefs for the trails in their area. Mr. Coffin will divide the trails into sections and meet with each section chief to encourage them to join the Club and coordinate their taking care of their own section. Once the section chiefs join the Club, they will become a member of the Trail Committee. This will take the burden off Mr. Coffin to maintain all the trails. If there is no snow by December 4, 2014, we will meet at 9:00 AM at 231 West Hague Road to perform trail maintenance. Signs need to be ordered before the maintenance date. Ms. Crusius will call Connie Swanson to see if the Boy Scouts could help placing the signs. This year, Tuffertown will be selling gas to riders.

Groomer Committee- Ms. Crusius made a motion nominating Mr. Coffin as the chair of the Groomer Committee, this motion was seconded by Ms. Coffin and passed unanimously. Mr. Coffin will work with the section chiefs to ensure each section is groomed and rolled in the beginning of the season. The Skandic needs to be repaired; it will be stored at Roger's Rock. Mr. Coffin will coordinate with Mr. Cherubini and others to groom and roll the campground and the trail from Tuffertown to the Lake. Mr. Coffin will speak with Shannon Olcott to determine if he would like to be the Vice Trail Coordinator/Grooming Coordinator along with Chad Dunklee.

Events/Membership/Fundraising Committee- Ms. Coffin and Ms. Crusius reported that they met to discuss the different events over the winter. The 2014 Oktoberfest never materialized; however, Ms. Haskell was pouring beer as a member of the Hague Fire Department. It wound up being mostly Sno-Goers pouring the beer. Next year we will coordinate to pour the beer for tips. This will be easier than cooking something to sell. We can hand out membership applications. Ms. Haskell will coordinate this for 2015. Ms. Coffin and Ms. Crusius raised their idea of having a

Christmas Party/Social with the neighboring clubs (Putnam, Ticonderoga and Chestertown). The idea would be to invite the other clubs to the HFD for a pasta dinner, BYOB, to get to know the other clubs and improve the communication regarding trails, rides, grants and other relevant information. Ms. Coffin and Ms. Crusius will work with Ms. Haskell to see if December 13, 2014, is available. Holiday in Hague is December 5, 2014. Ms. Coffin, Ms. Crusius and Ms. Haskell will meet to see if there are opportunities for the Sno-Goers to participate and draw attention to the Club and encourage riders to register and join the Club. Finally, the Club will sell hot chocolate at the Polar Bear Plunge.

Treasurer's Report:

Meg Haskell reported that the Club has \$7580.7095.64 on hand. We are waiting on the Thirty Percent check that should be coming in the next month. This should be about \$1,300.00.

President's Report:

The trail system increased by two miles, we now have 19 paid miles in Hague.

Correspondences:

We received a promotional letter from the State regarding their "Take a Friend for a Ride" program.

New Business:

Judy LaPointe is selling the property on Graphite and we need to move the equipment from the barn. Mr. Coffin will coordinate the move.

Ms. Crusius and Mr. Peterson will speak with Mr. Cherubini to see if he can explore applying for Grants.

The 2015 NYSSA Educational Forum is April 10, 2015. The Haskell's have asked to be greeters. We need to see who else wants to go and register.

The 2015 International Snowmobile Congress is in Niagara Falls starting on June 10, 2015. We would like to have a presence at the Congress.

Our next meeting will be on November 1, 2014, at 231 West Hague Road.

Old Business

Mr. Haskell will provide a list of the previous members to Ms. Coffin so she can reach out and encourage people to register for this season. She will also meet with the web administrator to update the website.

Mr. Haskell has prices on groomers. We will address this matter again at the November 1, 2014 meeting.

Ms. Crusius made a motion to adjourn which was seconded by Ms. Coffin and passed unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Elsbeth J. Crusius
Sno-Goers Secretary