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## *Presidents Message for November*

*A big Thank you to everyone that has helped get the bridges re-decked this Fall. The weather did not always cooperate, but we got most of them done. Hopefully we will get the last one soon.*

*The statement was made to me at the last work day that "Many hands make light work" and that is surely true. Many hands on the trail is crucial to a safe and productive day, but there is a lot more to it than just showing up on the day at the set time. The materials need to be ordered and club checks for payment written. The materials need to be delivered to a Volunteers home, unloaded and stored. The club trailers need loaded with materials and equipment prior to the work day and towed to the trail head that day. After the work day "on the trail" is completed it all has to be put away. So the 8am-noon work day for some is 6am-4pm for some others. This does not even include the, phone calls, texts, e-mails, and Facebook posts as everything changes according to the weather. So this Thank you goes out to Everyone that has had any hand in making the work load lighter. If anyone else can help out in some of these areas we welcome your help.*

*With some recent snow on the ground the answers to your questions are: NO the Trails are not open. NO we are not grooming yet. NO the lake is not frozen.*

*Until the next time.... be safe!*

**Secretary's Message:** Memberships have been coming in and I wanted to thank everyone who has registered early. I have also set up a file that if you go to register your sleds and have forgotten your voucher, I have access to them 24-7. Hopefully we will not need it but just another service provided to our members. As long as I have service so will you!

**Trail Administrator's Message:** The snow has begun! We have been clearing trails and re-vamping bridges. Thanks to everyone who has been able to volunteer time to make this trail system better. We are ready for grooming as soon as there is enough snow to open up the trails. Remember NO ICE IS SAFE ICE! Be careful out there!

# Washington Snow Riders Minutes November 3, 2018

**Meeting called to order: 6:30 pm** by president Don Revane

Don welcomed all the members.

**Secretary's report:** was read. Motion to accept as read Phil Barker, 2<sup>nd</sup> Normand Robert Passed

**Treasurers Report:** Brett gave the financial report from the last months income and expenses. Motion to accept Vivian Clark, 2<sup>nd</sup> Larry Gaskell Passed

**Trail Administrators Report:** John was unable to attend so Don Revane gave the trail updates. Winter Grant-in-Aid is all set. Brett gave John Thompson the slips to finish up the grant funding on trail repairs. A fee increase was mention for grooming and registrations to which a lengthy discussion ensued over fee increases and its potential impact on memberships, the purchase of grooming equipment in the future and how it will impact the non-profit status of all the clubs.

Twin bridge trail is done. Thanks to everyone that came out to help. The Brighton's bridge has been delayed due to the inclement weather conditions that are too wet to get the equipment out there. We do not want to negatively impact the landowner's property, so this will be a rescheduled work party when it dries up.

**Old Business:** In the last newsletter we spoke about the re-route by Eccard Farm & Dube's. Penny reached out to Fish & Game, LT. David Walsh expressing our concerns and sent him our information to see if He would be willing to advise us of our next steps, to help with the re-route. He contacted Wendy at Society for the Protection of NH Forest. He also sent a letter of recommendation with accolades for the club and their commitment to be good stewards of the land. That he only had positive reviews of our area and the clubs hard work at maintaining what we already have. Within hours we had a response. Don Revane then submitted a complete package of GPS coordinates, detailed maps of the area in question and all previous correspondence back to Wendy for review and are awaiting her comments, suggestions, or approvals.

The gates were delivered to the landowner for safety and security of the trail as mentioned at the last meeting.

Unfortunately, the Trunk or Treat on October 27<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to the poor weather, but we are looking forward to trying it again next year.

**New Business:** Half Moon Pond bridge needs to be checked to see if the bridge is still secure after the heavy rainfall we have been getting. Dennis Harrington is trying to contact the

McGuerty's for landowner permission which will enhance the trail off Half Moon Pond Rd. after several attempts by mail and calls we have been unable to reach them for access. So that trail work is on hold still.

Christmas Social will be hosted again by Jim & Gwen Gaskell on December 1<sup>st</sup> at their home which is always a great time. BYOB and bring an Hors d'oeuvre of your choice to share! It's a great time! Social will begin after a brief meeting!

Motion to adjourn by Vivian Clark, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Linda Marshall Passed  
Meeting Adjourned at 6:52 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Penny Wilkens  
Secretary



*Meeting & Christmas Social*

*December 1st*

*3 Faxon Hill Rd Washington*

Hosted by Jim & Gwen Gaskell