



## February 5<sup>th</sup> 2019 Steamboat Lake Snow Club Meeting

Call to order at 7:00 PM

Approved minutes from 1/15/2019

Recognized new member Mountain Paws

Treasurer report:

Need to invoice the state parks for your insurance and spot billing

Need to invoice Steamboat Power Sports, Clark Store and Rocky Mountain Rentals for

Business memberships

Grooming Report:

Have gone out as scheduled all last week and covered all of the trails. The wind is blowing everything back in. 127 hours on the snow cat so far this winter. Looks like 400 hours for the entire season.

Mark is ordering new foam filled boogey to replace old ones that have worn out.

Grooming costs to date are \$14,222.74, this leaves a balance of \$17,019.26 for the season

Vista Verde will groom up east side of Farwell to open trail and remove downed trees. Will also stake out trail for the snow club to continue grooming for the season.

Jim Stouffer mentioned that we need to stay on top of the grooming report better and enter information more frequently for the trails.

Signage is needed for the new Columbine cutover trail to provide skiers and snowmobiles more guidance. The Forest Service is making a new map for this, perhaps after the government shutdown is over and they begin to get caught up. Snowmobilers and skiers need to respect private property of the historic mining claims on Hahn's Peak. Perhaps we can put out some share the trail signs along here as well.

It was noted that a County community signage program could help with vehicle parking issues at the Columbine trailhead, still having parking issues on the roadway. Leslie and Todd are going to spearhead a committee for signage.



Mark noted that we need to put more trail markers out. Need to put them in now that the snow is deep enough to hold the markers up. Wyoming does a great job that we could emulate, spaced properly and put in plumb.

The parking lot on 550 has been tabled for this year due to the Forest Service being closed due to government shutdown. One issue may be the weekend plowing schedule in the winter of 2020. The county only has three snow plow drivers on each weekend, if it snows too much on a weekend the 550 road may be closed at the gate by Columbine as the county does not have the manpower to maintain the roadway until Monday morning.