

**INTERLAKE SNOW TRACKERS GENERAL MEETING
HELD ON DECEMBER 21, 2016 at 7:30 PM AT THE LAKEVIEW HOTEL IN GIMLI**

The meeting was opened by John Reykdal.

The following were present:

EXECUTIVES

John Reykdal – President
Mike Chudd – Vice President
Cindy McRae – Secretary
Braden Thordarson - Treasurer

DIRECTIORS

Bernie Twardowski
Kevin Wiebe
Dennis Marks
Lynn Enns
Les Thordarson
Richard Marks
Mark Zimmerman
Richard Romaniuk
Derek Reykdal
Gord Sawa
Conrad Hofer

MISSING DIRECTORS

Chad Yarema
Chris Dewald

The Minutes of the last General Meeting were read by Cindy McRae. Motion made to accept those Minutes was made by Dennis Marks and Seconded by Conner Yarema, All In Favour/Carried.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Braden Thordarson advising that we currently have \$55,283.49 in the chequing account and we have \$42,021.34 in our savings account. We have a balance of \$89.53 in our lottery account and \$12,663.58 in our Equipment Savings Account. The load for the new groomer is \$55,250.00 and we transferred \$35,470.00 out of our Equipment Savings. A Motion was made to accept the Treasurer's Report by Mark Zimmerman and Seconded by Lynn Enns, All In Favour/Carried.

Old Business

Trail Captains

Richard R. thanked Richard, Dennis, Dave and Mark for helping him with marking his new portion of the trail. He advised that he is in need of more caution signs. Ken and Bonnie advised that they put up the kiosks etc and emailed to Cindy to forward to Snoman. Have taken supplies to the shelter and are in need of some signs. Advised that some fields are thin and some ditches still had water. John advised that Netley has ice pushed up because of the high water and is 4 or 5 inches thick. Will attempt to have the groomer out to break it up.

Grooming & Trail Co-ordinating Committee update

Bernie advised that the 2006 Groomer would be picked up on Monday or Tuesday by Rick Ford and taken to Glen's shop.

Trail Brushing Plans

Lawrence has brushed the Grindstone trail and Wayne would like the north trails brushed as well. Les, Conrad and Braden brushed the Cheyenne trail and advised that they need more snow.

Grants for Equipment

John, Mike and Braden are trying to complete the grant to purchase a new drag.

GPS & Signs for Grindstone Shelter

Bob has done the GPS Co-ordinates for Grindstone. Paul advised that he requires both Grindstone and Fish Lake Co-ordinates and was provided with them.

New Business

Event's Committee

Kevin advised the Family Poker Derby will be about 50 miles long on January 28th. Registration can be at both Chudd's Powersports and Paul's Grill. Kevin advised that he was contacted by Stars Air Ambulance asking if we would consider donating any money raised to their organization, but wondered if we might want to donate to a local charity. Through a show of hands it was decided that the money would be donated to Stars. Kevin advised that he already has the cards for the Poker Derby and he will put together an advertisement and put in the local newspaper etc. With respect to the map advertising, Kevin advised that 28 out of 50 have paid so far and a second notice should be sent out for the outstanding payments owed.

Booking Bear Cat

Mike advised that anyone wishing to use the Bear Cat should contact him to have their name put on the schedule.

Relocating Gimli High School Warm Up Shelter to Netley

John advised that Derek had taken a tractor and cleared a spot for the new shelter and they put $\frac{3}{4}$ down gravel which was donated by the Pachurka brothers. Ray from Arborg Home Hardware will move the shelter next week.

Kiosks

John reminded everyone to send Cindy their pictures of their kiosks etc as they must be in to Snoman by January 15, 2016.

Trail Audit

Mike advised that we received an email advising that we would again be audited. Trail Captains please make sure you are marking correctly and if you haven't already taken the Trail Marking Course, to please do so.

Enterprise Newspaper

Kevin advised that Colleen will once again be submitting articles to promote our club and any ideas would be very much appreciated. He thinks an article on new memberships to try and reach new members would be a good start. Cindy and Lynn could put that memberships are available at Ray's in Riverton, Gimli Snowmobile, Chudd's Powersports, Arborg Livestock and online by email.

Hecla Rooms For Meeting Weekend

Cindy advised that she has made the necessary arrangements and blocked off 15 rooms. Just phone and advise that you are with the Interlake Snow Trackers Club Ride for that weekend. The meeting will take place on the Friday night at 8 p.m. **Cindy** is to phone and ask for the party room again which worked well rather than all in someone's room. There will be two club rides on Saturday, one for family where they can have a wiener cook out and another more intermediate ride.

Rosenberg Trail

Wayne advised that there is some bush that needs to be cleared as like the Cheyanne trail there are trees down.

Snowmobile Registrations

Cindy can you check your records to see when Braden took over as Treasurer and when the registrations are due.

Surveillance Cameras

John advised that Darryl had brought some cameras to show everyone as we have been talking about this for some time. The camera runs off a battery and has a solar panel so you don't need to use batteries all the time. He also brought dummy cameras which you can strategically place with the real ones and alternate.

Motion made by Mark Dann, Seconded by Paul Leveque, that we purchase two (2) live cameras with five (5) dummies from Arborg Livestock, All In Favour/Carried.

Cindy go to Splash to see about having some Surveillance Signs made up for our Warm Up Shelters and we will also need to purchase extra SD cards.

Sleighs

Darryl also brought a hand out of some photos of sleighs that he is selling which was passed around the room.

New Business – Ken advised that a gentleman from Riverton approached him and asked that he ask the Club if it would be okay if he supplied a Warm Up Shelter and looked after same but put on or near our trail near Washabow Bay.

Shelter Permits – Crown Land

Les is still working on the two permits we are required for our shelters on Crown Land. Richard R. advised that there was some discussion of having all permits under one umbrella and to hold off until they make a final decision.

Round Table Discussion

Mark D. enquired as to whether snopasses are better now.

Richard M. advised that if anyone needed any help to just call.

Les advised that the decals for the Interlake Snow Trackers in big letters are available to put on the groomers. He just needs to know when the groomers will be at Glen's shop to put on
Gord advised that he still has six (6) books for the Winner's Choice Raffle Tickets and to see him after the meeting.

Mark Z. advised that if anyone needed any help to just call.

Bernie asked where the solaras are for the groomers and the gps.

Richard R. advised that Les should contact Sheldon about the two shelters needing permits.

Cindy welcomed and thanked new member Henry Sikora for joining our club. A Raffle & Events Committee signup sheet is being passed around for volunteers for the Poker Derby etc. If you haven't bought your new membership, please see me at the end of the meeting.

John asked if we are still having our next meeting in Riverton and wondered where. He will

A Motion was made by Mark Dann, Seconded by Kevin Wiebe, All In Favour/Carried that we close the meeting.

Next Meeting will be held on Friday, January 20, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. at Paul's Grill and a Supper Club Ride.