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**Mercer Area Sno-Goers General Meeting
The Birches January 2, 2019
Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm.**

In Attendance:

Jeff Roadman	Darrel Fohr
Carol Morden	David McNutt
Eric Behnke – Wolf’s Den	Kyle & Teri Dibelius – Johnny’s
Andy Smith	Tom Renz
Brian Heleniak	Doug Westenberger
Jeff Powers	Scott Klein
Jim & Jeanne Schoenhard	Shari Younger
Jill Roadman	Elmer Gosh
Tom Ziegler – Beaver’s Resort	John Dzenutis
John Bestler & Cheri Little	Gary & Pam Gallagher
Mel Belt	Jim & Kathy Storck
Don Storck	Scott Beebe
Tanner Hiller	Mark Ingeman
Luke Schlueter	Dan & Michelle Carlson
Six & Robin – Lazy Ace Saloon	Lon & Elain Sawdey
Adam Walter – Hubbleton Riders Club	Joe Kohegyi
Wayne Renz	Jim & Deb Minnis
Julia Wagner	

Absent: Hank Joustra

Secretary Report: Motion to accept minutes by Tanner Hiller, Elmer Gosh seconds. Motion carries.

Treasurer Report:

- At year end the balance was \$9,106.31 Today it is \$90,405.19. There is \$350.00 in the Payeezy acct.
- The IRS says we have to wait until 2019 before we get approved for the 501c6 status.

Trail Boss:

- Swamps still are not frozen so we are not on a full grooming schedule at this time. We are doing the grade at least once a day. Base is frozen, but there is a weather warm up expected.
- There were a few problems with the Alltrack – battery overheated.
- All three groomers are up and running.
- Roads are being plowed south of Bear Chasers for logging.
- Grade is officially open but in regard to other trails, we’re saying ride with caution.

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Trail Administrator:

- We are \$17,948 into our grooming contract which is not quite half way to contract. Once we meet \$45,390, we will get 100% of our supplement.
- We have six trail counters set up on six different trails. 8,990 snowmobiles were counted on these trails in a 10 day period. Our plan is to groom according to data that shows which trails are being hit the hardest and what days of the week they're being ridden.

PR: No report

Sign Master: Has all the signs and is keeping up with the signing.

Membership: Total membership as of January 1, 2019 is 576 members.

Old Business:

- Winter Blast - signup sheets were sent around the room at the meeting. We still need prize donations.
- Sled Raffle – Sled is at Beaver's Resort.

New Business:

- Clothing – Jill Roadman sold \$1,057.50 dollars in clothing at a 42% profit.
- Elections committee – Mel Belt announced that the annual elections will be held at Johnny's Bar during the March 6th meeting. The positions that are open are Vice president, Trail Boss, Secretary, Promotions chairperson, Trail Administrator and two Directors. If anyone is interested in these positions, they should contact Mel or Julia Belt, or Jill Roadman.
- Cathy Sherfield is stepping down from membership next year.
- White Thunder Riders are looking for volunteers to help at the snowmobile races in January & February at the Gogebic County fairgrounds.
- Our first club ride will be on Tuesday, January 8th. People will meet at the barn at 9:30 a.m. and then at the Yukon II at 10:00. Pete the Pilot will lead the ride up around the Saxon area.
- We need to keep vehicles with their trailers away from Affordable Industries.
- **David McNutt motions to buy bumper stickers to be sold at the Winter Blast for \$400. Tanner Hiller seconds. Motion carries.**
- In a side meeting of the board, **Jeff Powers motions that we buy four more counters. Brian Heleniak seconds. Motion carries.**

Motion to adjourn meeting by Mel Belt, Tanner Hiller seconds. Motion carries. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.