NOWECOS Minutes January 5, 2016

Meeting called to order - 7:00 pm – Pres. Brad Moore Quorum established

December Minutes – Motion to accept Joe Tonso, 2nd Bill Spicer – Accepted

Treasurer's Report, Duane Core - CSA Motion to accept Joe Tonso, 2nd Bill Spicer – Accepted

Trails Report, Ralph Stewart – All trails are groomed and in great shape.

CSA Report, Jenn Tonso – CSA Convention, January 23 – 25, Salida, CO. at Mt. Prinston

Groomer Report, Joe Tonso – New batteries and fuel tank cap put on groomer. Jimmy Rossi to look groomer display to see if there is a problem. 2 groomer lights are out on passenger's side. Discussed shutdown correction procedure if something is not working. Reemphasized: putting on Park Break, Don't inadvertently touch Kill Switch

Brad Moore to order more fuel after this weeks grooming. Groomer barn tank holds 1,000 gal. we have used 528 gal.

Old Business

Classic Air Rescue unable to give their presentation at this meeting. Dale Clark to schedule them for another meeting.

Discussed usage of our present Spot:

Leave on between messages. Groomer Log Book, 1st pgs., has information on Spot operation. Extra batteries to be put in Groomer. Spot will not work in treed area – can't get satellite. We need to get new ion batteries for our present Spot.

Our present Spot cost is about \$109/yr.

Discussed newer, Generation 3 Spot usage \$148/yr. - better battery life. The newest Spot, not Generation 3, has predetermined Text messages.

Joe Tonso to check with John Jepkema about his DeLorme Explorer Spot.

It was decided, to continue using our present Spot for this year.

CSA Capital Grant applications coming up. Discussed what Grant could be used for. Groomer Barn gravel, dirt work, and fencing. No decision made.

Bd. of Directors Bylaws update review. Brad Moore to set date & time.

T-posts, Circle Creek to California Park – are in place. Jenn Tonso sent a Thank-You to Colo. State Parks & Wildlife, Yampa State Parks for donating the T-posts.

Groomer Survival Kit – in 5 gal. bucket on Groomer **CSA Groomer of the Year Award** discussed. NOWECOS voted unanimously to nominate Bill Spicer for the award. Joe Tonso to email all NOWECOS members on procedure to send in recommendations toward Bill receiving this award. The more recommendations received gives a greater chance of Bill receiving this greatly deserved award.

Annual Avalanche Clinic – January 16, 2016 meet at Freeman Parking Lot, 9:30. Will ride to Johnson Meadows for Clinic. Ron Dela Crose, State Parks to put on Clinic. The Back Country Avalanche Organization was already busy. Will try to get them to help with the 2017 Clinic.

New Chain Saw for the Groomer – Discussed need. Duane Core moved the club by a Sthele chainsaw to be kept with the Groomer. 2nd – Brad Moore. Jenn Tonso moved to amend the motion to limit the total cost to \$700 for the saw and needed equipment. If the total cost is more than \$700. Duane will get OK from the Board of Directors. 2nd Bill Spicer. Both the Amendment and Motion passed.

NOWECOS Poker Run – January 30, Saturday. Registration 9:30 am – 12:00 pm. Poker Run 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Banquet at the OP Bar & Grill 5:30 pm. Prizes awarded 6:30 pm. Club members volunteered to get prizes from merchants & distribute Fliers. Members also volunteered to help with parking . Duane Core to have change for Registration, Paulette Bray & Jenn Tonso to do registration. Dave Watson to provide registration trailer.

Station 1 – Leeland M. & possibly Greg B. - B1, B2, B3 Intersection Station 2 - Dan H. & Jim E. – Fern Park Station 3 - Ralph S. & Bill S - Willow Creek Intersection -. Station 4 - Duane C. & David B. – C5 Intersection Station 5 - Ron S. , Paulette B. & Jenn T. - Freeman Parking Lot Sell Extra Hands at OP – David B., Leeland M., Ron S., Brad M.

Club Vouchers – Discussed – Voted in last year. Motion by Bill S.– Treasurer pay all existing bills as of January 5, 2016. 2nd Joe T. – Motion passed.

New Business

Damage to Groomer Shed - Discussed. Brad M. has taken care of this.

Grand Lake Trails Club – Invited us to ride their area.

CSA Ballot – Discussed - Ron Spencer, Dist. 2 Rep. (our Dist.) is term limited, but would consider serving again if there are no others running. Also discussed whom Brad M. should vote for, on NOWECOS behalf, in other CSA positions.

Business Memberships – Joe T. completed. We lost 2 Business Memberships this year.

Coulter Mesa Lodge out of Rifle (ride Meeker Flat Tops) – 3 dates available for the Club or people may make individual reservations on their own. \$165/2 nights, cabins, breakfasts, sack lunches, dinners included. No one was interested in going.

Arctic Cat Snowmobile Raffle Winners – Arctic Cat M8000 – Jared Mc Clearly/Hayden, sold at Steamboat Springs. ZR 120 – Sharon Gent/Craig, sold at Craig. Alternate ticket drawn in case a winner could not take a machine or didn't want it, was from Clark, CO. This ticket was also sold at Craig.

Jenn T. sent out Thank-You to all Craig Merchants that allowed us to sell raffle tickets at their stores and to Gary Eubanks, Steamboat, Extreme Power Sports for providing us with the Raffle demo snowmobiles.

February 2, meeting treats - Brad Moore, also his birthday!

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted – Jenn Tonso, Secretary

The Groomers' meeting followed.