

NOWECOS Minutes  
February 07, 2017

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

**January Minutes** - Joe T. moved to accept January minutes. David B. – 2<sup>nd</sup>. **January Minutes accepted.**

**Treasurer's Report** – Ralph Stewart – See attached report. Ralph gave report on the printouts and the amount, to date, turned in to CSA for Grooming. Ron S. moved to accept, Joe T. 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Treasurer's report accepted.**

**Trails Report** – Ralph Stewart. All trails are marked. There are no trees down on the trails.

**CSA Report**- Jenn Tonso – Annual CSA Convention & meeting at Silverton, February 9 – 12. Go on CSA website or see your Snow Scoop mag. for details. Ron S. and Bill S. are attending the Convention.

**Groomer Report**- Joe Tonso – We are Grooming about 25 hrs./week, which is what we need to do to complete our Grooming contract. To date, we have filled half of our contract hours.

Reminder – check oil level before turning Groomer on.

Saturday, Feb. 11 – Groomer workday. People who can help. Brad M., David B., Ralph S., Joe T.

Joe T. to check with Grand Junction on getting fitting replacement. Jimmy R. to also check on fitting replacement with Wagner in Hayden. The fitting will be purchased so it can be replaced on the workday.

Joe T. to check on the oil filter and oil at the Groomer barn and purchase if necessary.

Next fall the other filters will be changed.

We will groom this week, and then see if we need to order more fuel.

Joe T. to check with Nigel Rogers cost to clean out trailhead potties and possibly put cleaning up for bid. Discussed possibly having 1 potty at Wilderness Ranch Trailhead, keeping 2 at both Black Mountain and Freeman Trailheads. Also discussed possibly changing the cleanout schedule to Wilderness Ranch and Freeman – 1/month. Black Mountain – every 2 weeks.

Discussed getting a Groomer back-up camera. Decided to not get one for this season.

Joe T. to set grooming schedule following the meeting.

### **Old Business**

**Status of Land Board Application** – Feb. 14, 9:00a.m. Dave B. to meet with Land Board at the Groomer barn.

**Avalanche Clinic** – Ralph S. - held January 14. There were 20 participants. The clinic went well, went to Freeman Reservoir to train.

**NOWECOS ANNUAL Poker Run** – Brad M. - held Saturday, January 21. The Poker Run went well.

All had a good time.

Concerns for next year's Poker Run: Be sure on each card has the participant's name. Brad M. to check on other possible venues for the dinner and awards presentations.

After expenses and paying out 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> winning hands the net amount was \$1,735. There was \$500 held over in the Scholarship fund from last year. Ralph S. to check on the amount held over from last year. David B. moved to award two (2) scholarship this year. Bill S. – 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.

**Club Rides** – It was decided that we would not advertise Club rides other than on the NOWECOS website and we will change back to the prior ride schedule of the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Advertising for additional and new Groomers** – Discussion of the following: Joe T. moved to accept the advertisement. Dave W. – 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed. Brad M. to put it on Northwest Colo. Facebook and website.

Groomers wanted for our Prinoth Bison Groomer:

- 1) Be a member of the Northwest Colorado Club  
Gave dues rates.
- 2) Be willing to volunteer your time
- 3) Be willing to help with groomer maintenance
- 4) Be willing to help with trail marking
- 5) Be willing to attend monthly meetings for grooming scheduling. We meet the first Tuesday of the month October – April, Room 101 Moffat County High School.

**NOWECOS ACCOUNTANT** - Charges discussed. Joe T. Moved to go with accountant – Rainbow Accounting for the 2017 – 2018 season. Bill S. – 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed. Ralph S. to contact Rainbow Accounting.

**BLM Travel Management – Area 2** – David B. to write comments on behalf of NOWECOS .

### **Remaining Items to be done:**

Feb. – Moffat County property taxes – NOWECOS will get a tax notice – Ralph S. to do  
March – Colo. DOLA tax exemption fee \$75 – will get notice – Ralph S. to do  
Moffat County Clerk S.M.M. Permit \$5.85 – will get notice – Ralph S. to do.

**Calendar of Events** - 2016 – 17, out of Craig area rides – Wait to schedule later.

**Nominations Committee for the 2017 – 2018 season Officers:** David B., Bill S., Dave W.

Meeting adjourned

Respectfully Submitted  
Jenn Tonso, Secretary