

Merrimack Sno-Buds Snowmobile Club Meeting Minutes 3/14/07

Meeting called to order at 7:32PM by Club President Sheldon "GeeDubbaYa" Kolansky

ATTENDANCE: 17 members present.

PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES: Minutes from the 2/21 meeting were produced & distributed. Motion made to accept minutes as written. Motion seconded and carried. Note: Communications from 2/21 meeting not available for listing as previously requested.

NEW BILLS: \$28 for P.O. Box fee (was actually due in August – Oops); \$28.68 for Jan Cty Mtg refreshments; \$16 to cover postage for Ride-In donation thank you's; \$30.70 for new eagle on flag pole (previous one broke). Motion by Dave Connelly to pay new bills. Motion was seconded and carried (sure, a Nay was overheard, but it was disregarded). ☺

COMMUNICATIONS: None presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TRAILMASTER'S REPORT: No report.

MEMBERSHIP: 67 paid members.

PUBLICITY: Newt presented pictures from 1590 Broadcaster coverage of the Merrimack Winter Carnival. He added that the reporter would be contacting him (Newt) for a full story about the Sno-Buds in a future issue. - Story submitted for April Sno-Traveler. Be sure to keep all of us up-to-date on your activities (including off-season stuff) so there's something to write about for the September issue. Let me know: emortenson57@hotmail.com.

FUND RAISING: About \$1000 already collected for 2008 Ride-In. Bring your empty aluminum cans to Law Motor Freight. We've not stopped collecting them!

SAFETY: Chief Safety Instructor George Lyon was out of town and could not be reached for comment. Actually he was sending emails to rub in how nice the weather was in San Diego. The storm on Friday fouled up his travel plans to come home in time to make the Spring Fling Ride so he had to endure a couple more warm, sunny days in Southern California. Tough duty, for sure!

ACTIVITIES:

Spring Fling Ride on 3/17. Watch your email for details. Friday's storm may play into it. Chuck offered parking options.

WEB SITE: 270 visits per day avg for February. 273/day for March.

UNFINISHED/OLD BUSINESS:

- Season Finale Dinner discussed. Common Man (formerly Hannah Jack Tavern) and April 22nd selected. Rachel Labrecque to check with them. Thank You, Rachel!
- More signal lights are available for \$20/pair. Replacement batteries available for \$1 each.

NEW BUSINESS:

- After a brief discussion, Newt Coryell made a motion to provide funds to purchase 12 Silva compass' (like those used in our OHRV safety course, to supplement those from the state. Motion seconded and carried. Dave Connelly to pick them up.
- NHSA annual meeting will be on May 12th. Need delegates to attend. Dave Connelly will check with his social director (Collette) on his (and her) ability to attend. Sheldon Kolansky, Roland and Rachel Labrecque volunteered to attend. Eric Mortenson motioned to pay for the attendee's meals. Motion seconded and carried.
- Mention made of entry in the March Sno-Traveler by Pittsburgh Ridge Runners regarding their efforts as a business, their impact on the local economy and the criticism from local business towards them. Interesting reading.

COUNTY MEETING: Most recent meeting held in Greenfield. Nothing "heavy" recalled and no overview presented. Next county meeting will be in Brookline on March 26th at 7:30PM.

W/E RIDING PLANS: Spring Fling Ride (March 17th)

Motion made to adjourn meeting at 8:07. Motion was seconded and it carried.

---NEXT CLUB MEETING--- March 28th at Wasserman Park at 7:30pm. This will be the *last* regular meeting for this season!

Respectfully submitted by:

Eric Mortenson, Vice President, on the behalf of George Lyon, Secretary
Merrimack Sno-Buds