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03/12/08, Wasserman Park, Merrimack, NH

Meeting called to order at 7:30 by club President, Sheldon Kolansky. 15 members present.

Secretary's report:

- Motion by Marc Belland to accept Secretary's report as emailed, 2nd by Paul Moran; motioned carried.

New bills:

- Bill for \$70.50 for 24 plastic sleds to be sold for \$3.00 each. The plastic sleds make an emergency sled to tow a dead sled on when the track will not turn. Motion to pay by Dave Connelly, seconded by Rick DiOrio, motion carried.

Communications:

- Letter from Town of Merrimack, a 'Thank you' for our \$2,000 donation to the town's heating fund
- Letter from American Council of Snowmobile Associations, a 'Thank you'
- Letter from NHSA for 2nd place donation of \$5,000 in Hillsborough County at the NHSA Easter Seals Ride In

Treasurer's Report: In process.

Membership report

58 paid members for 2007/2008 season. 62 members reported incorrectly last month.

Trailmaster's report: none.

Publicity report: Eric sent another story to the Sno-Traveler and the two articles will take 3 pages in the next publication.

Activities Committee, Rick DiOrio:

- Annual Sno-Buds meeting/banquet discussed for KC's Rib Shack, Ya Mammias, The Yard and the Country Tavern.
- Annual Spring Ride to be Saturday, 3/15, at Chuck's in Groton. Rick motioned to write a check to Chuck for propane and toilet paper. Motion passed.
- Brief review of recent Quebec trip by George.

Safety, George:

- A rider went through the ice on Lake Umbagog and was pulled out by his wife using her jacket. They rode 8 miles to find shelter on her machine.

Fund Raising:

- NHSA County basket raffle to be drawn at annual meeting.

Webmaster report:

- 175 visits average per day
- >\$50 from Google so far for ads

Unfinished business:

- Grass Drags new webmaster is Jim Brenson

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- Gail will be here at the next meeting
- Sheldon, Newt and George visited Hollis Nor'Easters club meeting last night for Sheldon to update their club on the Grass Drags and NHSA in general. Hollis would like to do more activities with the Sno-Buds but not merge with us. Brookline would also like to get together once a month. We may add 20 of the Hollis Nor'Easters club members to our email list
- Rick DiOrio motioned to pay Hall Maloney \$150 for trails signs that we apparently did not pay before. Seconded by John Livingston, motion carried.

New business:

- Dave Connelly attended the wrap-up session of this year's Easter Seals Ride In. And after 4 years on the committee and his creation of a computer program to easily tally money donations for Easter Seals and automatically provide the required output and reports and awards, he and Colette have resigned from the Committee after a job very well done.
- .Per Dave, next years Ride In may be at the Balsams, \$129/night, or at the T&C for \$109/night
- Picture of Chris Zifchak at the Merrimack Winter Carnival was in the Nashua Telegraph

Next meeting 3/26

Chris Z. won 100/0 raffle

Next NHSA Cty meeting 3/31

Bob Scarchilli brought refreshments this time.

Paul Moran will bring refreshments on 3/26

Manufacturer's show, Monday, 3/31, Radisson, Manchester, all 4 manufacturers

Annual NHSA meeting May 10th

Meeting adjourned at 8:25.

Respectfully submitted,

George Lyon

Secretary, Merrimack Sno-Buds

Officers:

1. President – Sheldon Kolansky
2. VP – Eric Mortenson
3. Secretary – George Lyon
4. Treasurer – Newt Coryell

BOD:

1. Scott Simons, elected 3/28/07, expire Nov 2008
2. Paul Moran, elected 3/28/07, expire Nov 2008
3. Pam Gelette, elected 3/28/07, expire Nov 2008
4. John Livingston, elected 3/28/07, expire Nov 2008
5. Phil Wetzal, elected 10/10/07, expire Oct 2009
6. Bill Clendennin, elected 10/10/07, expire Oct 2009
7. Marc Belland, elected 10/10/07, expire Oct 2009
8. Rick DiOrio, from 3/28/07 minutes, Immediate Past President