Tamworth Outing Club minutes, September 30, 2024

Present: Amy Berrier, Wyatt Berrier, Pam Hayden, Mark Fournier, Teresa Fournier, Sharon Morrison, Kit Morgan, Rob Farnum, Barb Bloomberg, Marcia Colcord, & Humberto Aparicio.

The meeting was called to order at 6:48 PM

Secretary's Report

Minutes from July were approved.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer's Report was approved.

Teresa requests that all receipts for items purchased be given to her for repayment and TOC records.

Halloween

A Halloween committee meeting was held on Rob's porch on 9/18. Sharon gave an update to the board about Pumpkin Carving and Halloween in the Village. She said that Melaine Streeter, Town House manager, would like the road closure to extend beyond Great Hill Road, down to the Town House parking lot, so that trick-or-treaters come all the way to the Town House. Remick Farm will be hosting trick-or-treat on the Enoch Remick House porch, so this would be helpful for them too. The road closure will be in effect from 5-8 and this will be coordinated with Chief Dana Littlefield and Rec Director Emily Verny. Kit pointed out that road closure and detour info should be included in Halloween publicity.

Pumpkin donations were discussed. Mark and Marcia are in charge of soliciting pumpkin donations. Amy will give them a donation sheet (based on the template from Sharon) so that TOC has name, address, and donation description/value for our records and for thank you notes. Asking for donations vs. a non-profit rate for purchase was discussed.

The board passed a motion allocating up to \$1,000 for Halloween expenses. This includes supplies for pumpkin carving, candy, the terror barn, candles, etc.

Adopt-a-Highway

Saturday, October 26. Meet at 7:30 AM at Rutabega.

Ski Program

Kitty Greene from Brett School has been in touch with Teresa. Volunteers need to submit background check renewal and bullying training paperwork.

Winterfest

The date has been set for Saturday, February 8, 2025. This is a Second Saturday, so the dance will be moved to The Preserve, as it was last year. White Mountain Ceili Band will be playing.

Sled Dog Fun Day

The date of Sunday, February 16, 2025 was chosen. The Meissner family, Chinook Farm owners, are very enthusiastic about hosting. They will keep the parking area plowed and have a brush pile to burn for a bonfire.

Town Christmas Tree

The board agreed that the tree lighting should be on Sunday, December 1 at 5 PM. Future discussion is needed as to where and when to get the tree.

Dance Hosts

Amy asked for volunteers to do the door at upcoming dances.

October 12: Humberto or Barb

• November 9: Wyatt

• December 14: Teresa

• New Year's Eve: Kit

Website Rebuild

Webmaster Rich Collins has asked for an updated calendar of events. Amy will compile this, circulate it to the board for approval, then send it to Rich. He anticipates transitioning to the new site this month.

TOC Decals

Mark reported on decal options for the trailer (16" round) and the groomer (9" round). The price for these four decals would be \$225 from Sign One in

Conway. A motion was approved to spend up to \$300 to order these decals, which Mark will do.

Snack Trailer Shelves & Lighting

Mark gave the board pricing for shelves and lighting for the trailer, based on an onsite review by the Shelf Committee as to what is needed. A motion was approved to spend up to \$150 for these shelves and lights. Mark will purchase them.

Trail Clearing

Paul King is organizing trail clearing in Ferncroft this year.

Bridges

Rob reports that the bridges built on the Mt. Katherine trail last fall washed away in high water this summer. He will attempt to locate and retrieve them.

New Ski Trail

Kit gave a report about the hike with Paul King and others for a possible new ski trail connecting to the US Forest Service access road. More info on this soon.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 Next meeting: Monday, October 28, 6:45 PM

Minutes submitted by Amy Berrier, TOC secretary