



**Meeting Details:**

Location	Steamboat Lake Outpost
Call to order	7:05pm
Attendee's onsite	16
remote	0

**Agenda / Minutes:**

Agenda		Approved
Minutes	April	Approved

**Important Links:**

- [northrouttsnowriders@gmail.com](mailto:northrouttsnowriders@gmail.com) - EMAIL
- [North Routt Snow Riders - Web](#)
- [North Routt Snow Riders - Donations](#)

**Officers / Department Reports:**

**Treasurer**

Bank balance: \$97,683.89

**Old Business:**

- **Web Page**
  - The web pages have been relocated and updated on our new site <https://northrouttsnowriders.com>
  - We have a new website alias - <https://NRSR.org> which points to our primary website
  - The web page has a quick launch bar which contains useful links including the current avalanche report, weather report, groomer tracks, and others
  - The website includes our calendar of events as well as club "News" ... which can be used to collect comments etc.
- **Snowcat Grant update**
  - The Club has transitioned full control of the grooming budget back to the club (as opposed to a split responsibility between the state of colorado and the club).
  - We are expecting that the 2024 budget will be less than last year, somewhere around \$24,000 as opposed to last years \$27,000 budget
- **Grant Writer**
  - We are looking for a grant writer for the next season. If you would like to support our club as a grant writer please contact us via email or at one of our club meetings.

**New Business**

- **Groomer maintenance and plan**
  - Larry Krug, NRSR Vice-president, provided an overview of the 2023-24 season groomer prep and operations plan
    - Groomer prep
      - ◆ Valve adjustment performed- recommended by Piston Bully
      - ◆ Replaced worn hoses

- ◆ Removed tracks, rotated drive sprockets left to right
- **Grooming / operations plan** - the plan is still under refinement. The club hopes to groom 6 days a week, with the help of the Steamboat Lake Outpost. Our intent is to start grooming mid December ending April 1 of 2024. The club may choose to delay the start based on snow conditions. During the meeting it was expressed that the club should not groom until there is at least 5 feet of snow on the trails system. Once the plan is firmed up, the web page will contain the latest version of the grooming plan
  - **Rocky Mountain Sled Rentals** has agreed to pay for the first 1,000 gallons of fuel
  - **Colorado Sled Rentals** has pledged \$10,000 towards grooming
- **Club work sled purchase**
  - The club has a need for a work sled, something that can be used to set/pull poles, support remote maintenance activity as well as other trail maintenance tasks. Currently, the club borrows sleds from other members, the Steamboat Lake Outpost or the Steamboat Lake State park. Due to scheduling logistics, liability concerns and a demand pattern which is difficult to plan for, the club believes that they should invest in their own work sled that can support our needs.

Discussion on this topic resulted in a **MOTION** that the club procure a work sled with a not to exceed value of \$13,000. **MOTION APPROVED**

  - Stan Wagoner agrees to take an action to talk with Steamboat Powersports to see if they can help us with a new work sled for under \$13,000
- **Volunteers for trail marking** - The club intends to mark trails mid December or as snow conditions permit. Please contact us if you are interested in helping out.
- **Sponsorship Renewals** - The club will be updating its "sponsorship" status next month. Sponsorships include listings in the clubs web pages and remain in effect through December of 2024. Sponsors may sign up by donating through the clubs website or by contacting the club directly.
- **Donation Marketing** - The club is interested in doing a little direct marketing to solicit donations. Ron Wendler, [The Group Real Estate, Inc](#) has agreed to help the club do some targeted marketing to the 80428 zip code.
- **Avalanche Companion Rescue Class**
  - There's a one day "Avalanche Savvy" safety course planned for December 17 at the Steamboat Lake Outpost. More information can be found at <https://www.avalanchesavvy.com>
  - Lee Blazec, from avalanchesavvy.com, 720.282.5155, discussed that they are open to setting up some additional training possibly a beacon practice night or anything else the club members think would make sense. Contact Lee or the club if you are interested
- **Club Ride** - There's been some interest in having an organized club ride. Eric Young has agreed to lead this effort. The club has also set up a club ride "news article" which we encourage you to respond to and offer your suggestions. More information to follow next meeting.
- **Poker Run Date** - The poker run has been conducted mid march for the last two years. This years run will be **March 23, 2024** ... stay tuned

## Meeting Adjournment:

Meeting adjourns: 7:48pm