



Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting Details:

Location	True North Tavern
Call to order	6:07pm
Attendee's onsite	15
online	1

Agenda / Minutes:

Agenda	Dec	Approved
Minutes	Nov	Approved

Officers / Department Reports:

Treasurer

- Bank balance: \$31,515
 - +\$30,500 in an improvement grant coming
 - -\$12,500 shop doors invoice soon due
- CSA: 65 active members - 36 yet to renew 2025-26

Important Links:

- [NRSR.org - Web, short form url](#)
- [North Routt Snow Riders - Web](#)
- [North Routt Snow Riders - Donations](#)
- northrouttsnowriders@gmail.com - EMAIL

Opening comments:

- **The club asked all in-person participants to identify themselves and provide a little info about themselves**
 - This was a nice ice-breaker.... The club really appreciates the in-person attendance - which included 5 women, who also expressed interest in attending some of our social events!
 - The club also thanks, again, The [True North Adventure Lodge and Tavern](#) for the meeting space, bar and eating options.

Grooming Report:

- **Trails:** re: Can the club perform some of its own trail maintenance?
 - The club discussed this option with our USFS contact, they approved of the club doing trails work, tree work as well as allowing us to mitigate some of our trails issues by using an excavator
 - One of our club members mobilized their track hoe to the trail head, but due to snow/ice conditions he could not do anything for us this year. We will be picking this back up in the spring/summer
 - The club wishes to thank **Jeff Shafer** and his buddy for doing tree mitigation up and through Beaver Basin to the Farwell trail intersection for us
- **Equipment status:** The club has two snowcats, our older 2005 Pisten Bulley Edge 200 (PB) and our newer 2018 Prinoth Bison (Bison)
 - We corrected an intermittent tiller problem on the PB. We have some grouser replacements yet to do, most everything else has been inspected, replaced, changed (oils etc) and it's ready to go
 - The Bison will be serviced soon and will also be ready later this month

- The club estimates that they are generating significant cost savings by doing their own service prep work - **thanks** goes out to our volunteers supporting this
- **Operations Plan:** We provided that the club normally starts grooming mid - late December. Due to current conditions, lack of snow, the club anticipates that we will start tracking in the trail system Christmas week or so
- **Operators:** The club is happy to announce that they have a pool of about 7 volunteers to support grooming. We are always looking for more... if you would like to be considered/trained as an operator, please contact the club at: northrouttsnowriders@gmail.com

Old Business:

- **Cathouse:**
 - **Move-in day** was a success, with the help of some volunteers, we relocated our tools, supplies and other "critical" stuff to the new cathouse in less than 3 hours .. **Thanks!**
 - The final form, **electrical** scenario, is still in work....
 - **Full Moon Ride:** The club has scheduled a full moon ride for **January 31** - meet up at the Elkhorn parking lot. Where we ride to and have the bonfire is still in planning
 - **Dual-sport Club Affiliation:** The club was interested in securing more trails funding by tapping into the OHV (summer ATV) funding pipeline by establishing a formal dual-sport affiliation. After some discussion, and the revelation that we can request OHV grant monies without this certification, the club has chosen to not pursue a dual affiliation for now, but will submit a grant request for summertime trails work
 - **Grooming Agreements:** The club has secured several verbal agreements to our NRSR Grooming Support Agreement which currently include the [Steamboat Lake Outpost \(SLO\)](#) and [Colorado Sled Rentals \(CSR\)](#) companies. The club has no updates regarding any agreement with the Rocky Mountain Sled Rental (RMSR) company
 - **Other:** The club was asked if we are expecting to see more monies related to the newer snowmobile registrations fee increase. The club DOES expect increases in grant monies, but notes that the grant process has the final authority and that any monies related to these fee increases will most likely show up for the 2026-27 season.
 - **Avalanche Savvy:** Lee Blazek, from [Avalanche Savvy](#), a company providing education programs related to snow safety including but not limited to - Avalanche Education, Training Avalanche Instructors, developing Avalanche Education programs, Ski touring guiding, Heli Skiing, Cat skiing, Snowmobile guiding, and Forecasting to ski patrolling, announced that they would provide significant discounts to club members.

New Business

- **Poker Run: March 14, 2026 - [Brett Allison](#) chair:** The club has already started the process of securing sponsorships. A **MOTION** was provided that "The club retain last year's sponsorship structure for this year's event" **PASSED**. The club is requesting more volunteers to help with securing additional sponsors, contributions to the silent auction etc.
- **February social event proposed:** The club discussed having another social event for the last weekend in February. The event to be called the "**Parade of Garages**" and is designed to be a late afternoon or early evening snowmobile tour of some of the club officers "garages" - which just happen to be on or near our trail system. The event includes meeting up at the Elkhorn parking lot, riding to each "garage" - spending 20-30 minutes to unwind, concluding at the Elkhorn parking lot
- **Elections:** All existing officers agreed to be on the 2025-26 ballot. No new names were offered
 - **MOTION** - "Keep/re-elect **Treasurer** Greg lafeliece" - **PASS**
 - **MOTION** - "Keep/re-elect **Secretary** Brian Boyle" - **PASS**
 - **MOTION** - "Keep/re-elect **Vice President** Larry Krug" - **PASS**
 - **MOTION** - "Keep/re-elect **President** Gary Dovan" - **PASS**

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Meeting Adjournment: 6:50pm

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