

# Silverthread Outdoor Recreation Club Meeting Minutes

## January 17, 2012--Community Center

George called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm, with 34 club members present. A Pot Luck meal was enjoyed by all before the meeting. George stated that Sally Towns sends regards to all.

**Approval of Minutes:** George asked if everyone had reviewed the minutes from the November 2011 meeting. A motion was made and passed to accept the minutes.

**Financial Report:** Lloyd Thiesfeld reported that we have money in the bank. Had some income and expenses for Fuel and repairs for the Snow Groomer. He stated that any club member wishing to join CSA, dues are now due. Non CSA club members' dues are due in April. He stated that club expenses for Insurance, permits, etc. are \$4500.00 per year. He stated that George has 49 hours of Grooming in for this season. Most of the club monies are received from grooming the trails. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the report.

**President's Report:** George brought the generator that he purchased for the club with the Grant monies from the Forest Service for Trail Maintenance.

He has sent another grant for \$15,000.00 to the OHV Forest Service program for 2 new ATVs for the club use for Trail Maintenance. He stated that the club would not receive the money until 2013. The Forest Service personnel reviewed George's proposal and stated that it was good. He turned in 1008 Man Hours for Trail Maintenance for 2011. His application included all this information, plus 5 pages of pictures of club members performing Trail Maintenance, provide by Harolena.

Ronnie Day, Rio Grande National Forest Service, said that next year Wood Permits for Logging around the Creede area will be available, because of the Beetle Kill. George stated that we need to meet with the Forest Service to request 4 months in the winter to be able to Groom Trails and not have to deal with logging. He also stated that everyone needs to be aware of trees falling across roads and trails due to the wind and the amount of Beetle Kill in our area.

**Snowshoe Report:** Wayne Moulds reported that the club will meet at 10:00 am on Mondays to either snowshoe or hike, depending on the weather and snow.

**Snowmobile Report:** Chuck Holton reported that haven't had a club ride yet, but are hoping to have one in January. He stated that we need more snow. It was reported that the road from Big Meadow to Hunter hasn't yet been groomed.

**Merchandise:** Barbara Thiesfeld stated that she has club items for sale and can special order anything a member wants.

**Safety:** Dick Shaw stated the need for all of us to be aware and prepared for winter conditions. He suggested carrying extra clothes, blankets, food and water in your vehicle for winter. Might also want to include a sharp object that can be used to poke a hole in the snow to breathe with, if you are buried. He had a handout list for suggested items to be carried in the winter months. He also suggested that you let someone know your plans and whereabouts if going out on a winter day.

**Old Business:** George stated that he club will Host he Community Pot Luck in February, February 14<sup>th</sup>. Barbara stated that all club members should wear their blue club shirts or hats. They will need help setting up on Tuesday morning.

**New Business:** George stated that Dwayne Powers and Roy Snyder would like to invite anyone to join them for Ice Fishing and snowmobiling this winter. They will let George know what day, when and where they will be going. George will send an e-mail with the info. They plan to meet at the Feelin Good Coffee House for breakfast at 7:30 am and will leave there at 8:30 am. Dwayne and Roy have the ice drills, but each person needs to furnish their fishing poles, equipment and snowmobile.

**Snowmobile & Sled Races:** Joe DeGrado reported that he has scheduled the Jay Becker Memorial Sled Races for February 25<sup>th</sup>, snow permitting. The club will provide the hamburgers, everyone else needs to bring side dishes. Please let Joe know if you plan to go.

**50/50:** Wayne Moulds won the 50/50.

Dwayne Powers made a motion to adjourn, motion seconded and passed.

Respectfully,