

Meeting of the Northern Maine Antique Tractor Club February 3, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Phil Kilcollins at 2:05 pm. Carolyn presented the Secretary's Minutes which all had received either via e-mail or regular mail. The minutes were accepted. Sandra presented the Treasurer's Report: Opening balance: \$7,974.61; Checks paid: \$1,460.90; Deposits: \$390.00; and Ending balance: \$6,903.00. The report was accepted.

Various venues for selling tickets for the tractor restoration were discussed including the Kiwanis Show at the P. I. Forum on March 23rd and 24th, the Madawaska Show April 27th and 28th, and I have confirmed our participation in the Southern Aroostook Trade Show in Houlton April 6th and 7th. At our next meeting on March 3rd we will plan working schedules. Tami will look into our possible participation in the Sportsman Show In Presque Isle. If we are allowed, we will than decide if we want to do so. Also there was some discussion regarding participation in Presque Isle Days on July 6th. Diane and Sonny are looking into what is happening with the Springfield Fair, and whether or not there will be a pull.

Committee reports were presented. The **tractor train** is in good shape, and at the next meeting we will decide if we are going to increase the fee for renting the tractor train to \$250.00. The **pulling committee's recommended changes in the pulling rules will be discussed, and a vote will be taken** at the March meeting. Phil said the tractor restoration is doing very well and that the sponsorships are coming in. He reminded all that membership dues and insurance fees are due. All folks age 80 or older do not have to pay dues, but need to pay the insurance fee if they are going to pull a tractor.

Events Planned so far for 2019:

Kiwanis Show, P. I. Forum, March 23rd and 24th
Southern Aroostook Trade Show, John Millar Civic Center, Houlton, April 6th and 7th
Top of Maine Trade Show, Madawaska Civic Center, April 27th and 28th
Northern Maine Fair, June 28th – July 3rd, Museum Tractor Train, Displays
Trek in Southern Aroostook, Date to be announced.

Pull, Grand Isle Celebration, July 4th
Pull, Potato Blossom Festival, July 20th
Pull, Fort Kent, August 10th

The meeting was adjourned at 2:20. The next meeting will be March 3rd

All members and friends of the NMATC want to extend their deepest sympathy to Dr. John Bouchard and his family on the loss of his wife Carolyn. I remember working with Carolyn at the Frenchville pull a few years ago, and I enjoyed her so much. She was so gracious, and we had a wonderful time talking.

Sincerely,

Carolyn Cheney, Secretary

