

**Northern Maine Antique Tractor Club
Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2017**

The meeting was called to order by President Phil Kilcollins at 2:00 pm.

There was no Secretary or Treasurer Reports

Correspondence:

Phil reported that he has the Certificate of Insurance for the Tractor Train and that the Club will be charging organizations \$200 per event for the Train to be available at the events.

Phil thanked everyone who helped with the Agricultural Museum Cleanup and that the new bathroom in the building will be done this summer.

There are 3 - 4 youth interested in pulling at the Fort Kent Pull and a Youth Safety Course will be provided before the Pull starts.

It was reported that the Club received 5 scholarship applications and the Scholarship Committee will be reviewing the applications within the next few weeks.

It was discussed that some updates are needed on the Drag. Some tie downs should be added for transporting. Also, some attachments that would help hold the weight box when the drag is being used are needed. Chris Langille reported that the drag is being serviced.

It was suggested to put up a Memorial Plaque at the Agricultural Museum to add the names of members instead of adding their names to the drag. (we are running out of room on the drag and it was agreed that sponsors names should be on the drag). Robin Haynes said she would research getting a Memory Board for the Museum.

The Tractor Trek is being held in the St. John Valley this year on Sunday, Aug. 13th. It will start in Frenchville at the new park on Main Street. There will be a barbecue at the end of the Trek at James Pelletier's Camp on Pelletier Island.

Phil reported that all Pull Contracts have been returned except for Fort Kent's, the Northern Maine Fair and the Balloon Festival.

Phil discussed the new pulling rules established by the Pulling Committee earlier this year.

- a. The Open Class has been changed from 10,000 to 8,000 lbs.
- b. Youth can pull in either the adult or youth class, but not both.

Phil thanked the members who brought tractors to display at the Theriault Equipment Open House in June.

The Club is hoping to sell tickets for the Raffle Tractor at the Pull in Fort Fairfield on Saturday, July 15th, and at the Car/Tractor Show on Sunday, July 16th as part of the Potato Blossom Festival. We need help with this so please let Phil know if you are available. Pullers or drivers in the parade can leave their tractors at Phil's Shop on Saturday to participate in the Show on Sunday.

Phil reported that Aroostook Savings & Loan has asked the Club to participate in their Corn Maze event at Goughan's Farms in the fall. The event is to benefit the "Feed the County" program so Phil suggested that members bring non-perishable food items to the pulls to donate to "Feed the County"

The 1st pull of the year will be in Bridgewater on Saturday, June 17th. Diane Folsom and Sandra Bartley have offered to work at the registration table.

Members thanked James Pelletier and Robin Haynes for hosting the meeting.

The next meeting will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, July 9th at the Agricultural Museum on the Fairgrounds in Presque Isle.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tami Kilcollins