

Northern Maine Antique Tractor Club Minutes Sept. 8th 2019

President Phil called the meeting to order at 2:30. The **Secretary's minutes** were accepted as received. Three members had not received their minutes via e-mail, and that will be corrected. Please if you haven't received your minutes a week before the next meeting, give me a call at 764-4991. Carolyn presented the **Treasurer's Report** in Sandra's absence. July 31, 2019 Balance: \$15,364.27; Check Amt: \$1,610.92; Deposit Amt: \$1,150.00, and 8/31/19 Balance: \$14,903.35. Whether we have another account not listed on the treasurer's report was brought up. I erred and said I wasn't aware of one, apparently a total memory blank. After checking with Sandra, she informed me there is a savings account. which has been in the Treasurer's report at some meetings. Checking back it was listed in April's minutes in the amount of \$10,107.00. Guess it's a good thing I don't keep track of the \$\$\$\$. While we are on the \$\$, Diane said she would like to have the **50/50** reinstated, and the group decided to do so. We had the first 50/50 one at the meeting and \$42.00 was raised. Diane was the winner and went home with \$21.00.

Thanks to Mel McPherson there will be a **plow day** on **Oct. 5th** at Trent Lundeen's farm on 493 West Ridge Road in Mars Hill. If you need directions, call Mel at 764-3330.

Committee Reports:

Tractor Train: One more event in Houlton on Sept. 14th. A big thank you to Meredith, Sonny and Dennis for getting the train to where it has needed to be. The train has been very profitable this summer, and a big thank you to Tom for being in charge of the train and doing a terrific job. Also thanks to all the folks that helped at each event.

Banquet/Auction: Carolyn reminded everyone of the event coming up on Nov. 16, and that we need auction items. Invites, etc. will go out later. Also, there was a meeting after the regular meeting for folks working on the event. All were invited.

Pulling: The Speed board needs repair. Dennis will take care of the Board and have it repaired. He also brought up that a Distance board would be good for pulling. Phil asked Dennis to ask about the cost, etc. when he calls about the Speed board. Phil also said we could not commit to a Distance board at this time due to the cost of the restoration tractor, and money needed to repair equipment, etc.

New Business:

Please everyone sell some **raffle tickets**. Also, a reminder for members planning to run for office or planning to nominate someone, please let a member of the Nominating

Committee, Meredith, Tami and Barry, know as soon as possible.

Also, the **Veterans Home** at Cary Medical Center would welcome a few tractors to display at festivities at the home beginning Sept. 9, 2019.

Concerns: Bonnie and Dennis expressed concern that there is not sufficient privacy when there are **annual office and board elections**. Phil said we will put a special table in the front of the room where folks who want to vote in private can do so.

Also, they said that they would like to hear the no of votes candidates received. A motion was made and approved that if a candidate wanted to know the number of votes he/she received that could be done by asking a member of the nominating committee..

Insurance: Phil looked into the insurance we have and discovered we need to change a few things. It's been the understanding that pullers need to be insured, and they pay an amount in addition to the membership fee. **Edgeta** also requires that anyone who works on any activity sponsored by the club for example the tractor train, the pulls, or at the museum needs to be insured. We need to keep this in mind when we sign up for next year's membership and add insurance for those of us who do some work.

The last pull of the year in **Westfield** was made extra special with the hot dog luncheon provided by Chris. Thank you so much Chris for doing that. Also a very special thank you to the **Quint family** who provided the feast at the tractor trek.

On a sad note, our deepest sympathy to the Arthur York family on the loss of his sister. Also, we were saddened to hear of the passing of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Plaud, former members of the club.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50. The next meeting will be **October 6th** at the Washburn Club House at 2:00.

The Pulling Committee will have a meeting the same day, same place at 1:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Cheney
Secretary