

Northern Maine Antique Tractor Club – Regular meeting Feb 2, 2020 - Washburn Trail Makers

Meeting called to order at 2:05 by President Phil Kilcollins. We had around 35 members present. We welcomed three new faces. Troy McCrumb, his 13 year old son Sam and his brother in law Matt McKenna. A new youth would be great (owns a JD) and a new Super H will be fun to watch (Matt)

Secretary's report was given by Janet Wright, confirming everyone but Frank Drew is receiving their minutes. Correspondence was received from Northern Light Health, thanking the club for our \$1000.00 donation to Hospice. Motion to accept the January minutes was given by Richard Carter, seconded by Janet Wright. Motion voted and passed.

Treasurer's report was given by Tom Berbue. Total paid out last month was \$434.91. Deposits from sales of CD's and dues totalled \$1,160.00. Not including interest, this brings our total in the checking account to \$9,817.31 and in the savings account to \$10,110.56. Motion to accept the treasurer's report was made by Tami Kilcollins and seconded by Troy Doody. Motion voted and passed.

Janet has prepared a short survey for members to fill out. Questions include your age, age when you got your first tractor, how many tractors you have, running and not. How many tractors your spouse thinks you have and your favorite antique make. If you were not at the meeting and were not contacted, please contact her with your answers thru facebook or at wsnapo@hotmail.com She will report back next month.

The tractor train still has no chairperson. Please consider it. We made over \$1900 last year. We need an organizer, not so much someone to do everything. With the pending truck repairs, we really need this extra revenue and the positive community experience is priceless.

No report for Awards Banquet, Sunshine, Museum. Youth safety mentioned that all youth need to be tested on EACH tractor. Scholarship info is on our website.

Pulling Committee. There will be a pulling committee meeting at 12:30 pm at the Washburn Trail Makers building on March 1, 2020. It would be a good time to discuss any rule changes that anyone may feel pertinent. We will be looking for a new chairperson. Discussion of the \$500.00 charge for pulling. It was decided to not increase the amount for this year. We need to look into buying our ribbons and trophies at a cheaper price. Also the pulling contract needs to be looked over.

Raffle tractor. -Richard reported that it should be ready in a couple weeks despite Carol slowing them down. It was discussed and Larry motioned for the third prize to be changed to a die-cast tractor. Then we will be giving away a full sized C, a pedal C and a die cast C. Phil is going to look into pricing one for us. -The form for the Kiwanis Spring show is in. We will be getting 2 booths. We set up Friday and will be selling tickets March 28th and 29th, 2020. We will be attending Madawaska Top O Maine Trade Show using our half price prize from last year. No date available for this or the Houlton Trade show, but last year Houlton was the first of April. -Last year we printed 15,000 (2500 x 6) tickets. Our ticket sales were down last year, but Tami feels because it is a Farmall we should be able to sell more this year. We will probably print the same amount. -If you know a business you can approach, we are looking for more sponsors. The form and letter is available from Tami and will be on our website in the future. We need to finalize the list by the end of March so we can have the sponsor board made. Meredith turned in 8, Phil has 5 and Dr John does the Valley.

Truck Update. The running bus has been delivered. They are expecting to start working on switching the motor in the next month or so with a final date by April 1st. The motor cost \$2500.00 as discussed.

Discussions included a plow day in the summer. Maybe if we can find a field with light sod.

Pulling dates so far include a possibility of July 4th in Houlton. The fair pull will be August 8th and Fort Fairfield will be the third Saturday in July.

The winner of the 50 50 draw was Tom Berbue who donated the \$33.00 winnings to next month's pot.

Motion to adjourn by Dwayne Dow and seconded by Troy Doody. Adjourned at 2:43

Respectively submitted by Janet Wright