

SOUTHERN MAINE TRACTOR CLUB



April 23th 2018

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From the President:

Thank you to all who attended the spring meeting it was a very nice turnout with good conversation, not to mention the Clam Chowder was excellent! Looking forward to seeing all of you in May... As a reminder if you have not sent in your dues and insurance please do!

Meeting minutes

The spring meeting of the Southern ME tractor club was call to order at 1:43pm at Lynnskis's in Freedom NH where 30 of our members attended the meeting.

Reading of the previous meeting minutes: Joe Foster made a motion to dispense with the reading of the March 18th, 2018 officers meeting minutes, Zak Kennedy 2nd the motion it was voted in the affirmative. Correspondence: Shelby was asked if there was any correspondence, she had none at this time.

Treasurers Report: The Treasures report was then read, Joe Foster motioned it be accepted it as presented with a 2nd from David Bumford. It was voted in the affirmative.

Bal as of 12/31/17: \$2630.67 Accounting update for the year till 4/23/18

Expenses: Insurance:	\$1130.00	Deposit:	\$425.00
Postage:	\$ 98.00		<u>\$965.00</u>
Website:	\$ 35.85	Total Deposits:	\$1390.00
ME filing Fee	\$ 35.00		
Ins/Membership cards:	\$ 24.97	Bal 2017:	\$2630.67
Meeting expense:	\$ 300.00	Expenses:	(\$1641.82)
Registration/Sled	<u>\$ 18.00</u>	Deposits:	<u>\$1390.00</u>
Total Expenses:	\$1641.82	Bal as of 4/23/18:	\$2378.85

Pulling Committee: Next up was the Pulling committee report. Chairman Al Williams was asked for comment from committee: He confirmed that the weight is what it is. Reminded us that no overages were going to be allowed. He also mentioned wheelie bars and weight brackets will be checked for safety. Finally he mentioned we want everyone to be having fun but we also want everyone pulling fairly and following the rules provided so it can be a safe and fun

environment. Al also mentioned the need for some scale maintenance that he was going to try and get done, mainly heavier tires and a rework of the hitch. As the change was made last rear regarding weather cancellation Saturday pulls are in line for rain days, stay tune to Facebook for rain days if you don't have a Facebook or access to one please let Shelby or Kathy know so you'll be sure to receive a call from us if we do decided to cancel the event! There was much conversation on track help. Much like every pull, help on the track it's always the same old faces as it's a great social event to catch up with each other please help out, there's plenty of things that we could use assistance with raking, hitching, measuring, announcing, blocks, etc the more we help the smoother it'll go. It was mentioned about the possibility of doing a drawing while you were signing up for your class which classes you'd be assisting. As secretary I'm up for creating a "helping out class" sign up sheet so everyone helps in some way! Ken Hayes brought reminded us that "THERE IS NO ALCOHOL ALLOWED DURING THE EVENT, save it for after when you are home and the trailers parked in your own driveway!! Glenn mentioned it wouldn't be good if you left our pull and had an alcohol related problem on the way home.

Old businesses: Sebago Days has requested a poster which will be made by yours truly (Shelby) and sent to them. Glenn confirmed we will not be pulling at Ossipee Valley Fairgrounds, (see the revised schedule)

New Business: Glenn Mentioned that several of us will not be at the August 11th as many club members will be attending a wedding. The consensus was the pulling will go on (*I'm pretty sure Frank did a happy dance on this one..lol*) Glenn reminded the meeting that scales, the trailer, record keeping will need to be attended to as and as a club will need to arrange on getting everything at the pull ready. Frank brought up the schedule and asked to make the June 2nd and 3rd pull change to Acton fair grounds. Charlie Murphy made the motion, Karla seconded it. It was voted in the affirmative.

It was discussed that Zak's Transfer sled was to be used on Sunday June 3rd & Sunday July 8th, it's a part of our two day pulling events at Acton fair grounds. Zak Kennedy made the motion and 2nd was by Evan Davis, voted in the affirmative. Zak also indicated that we could use it on other pulls if we desired and will get with Glenn on it. There was discussion of the possibility of new pulling in locations Rich and Glenn would be looking into it (a gravel pit in Ossipee and in Wolfeboro)

For the Good of the order: Glenn polled the group about the spring meeting being held at the first pull instead of at a location. It was decided to continue to have the spring lunch meeting as we have in the past. Glenn also mentioned that, Gillie will be having hip replacement surgery on May 16th we wanted to let him know we are thinking of him and hope for a speeding recovery. We are looking forward to his happy face out on the track each pull less the walking log he has been carrying! Willie asked if there was interest in Buxton's old home day Parade. She was going to make sure it doesn't clash with any of our pulling dates if anyone's interested in being in the parade.

Adjournment: Al Williams made the motion to adjourn 2nd by Joe Foster and was voted in the affirmative, the meeting was adjourned at 2:25pm.

Please note the new schedule that is below!