**PXCSF 2025 Spring Meeting, Old Town Embroidery Co., 3/17/25**

**Attendees:**

Valerie Gill, President

Laura Wolter- Vice President

Brent Wolter-Treasurer

Karen Blanchard, Secretary

Dave Roy, Potato Cup

Mike Krumberger, Grooming Coordinator

Troy Neu, Fall Trail Races Coordinator

Randy Anderson-Community Nights at the Nordic Center

Todd Nunan-Youth development coach

Cary Rhodes, Director, Outdoor Recreation

Bill Woodhouse

Bob Marcinko

Nadia & Ronan

Brent Wolter, Treasurer

Potato cup raised $2396, an increase of $950 from 2024.

The Club is using ICCU for banking. An ICCU 4.474% CD, $7,650 matured and was re-enrolled. Enrolled $7K to a second C/D.

The “Stamps” expense on the Spring 2025 Finance Report was for sponsorship letters

Mike Krumberger, Grooming Coordinator

The club started grooming 2007, more than 15+ years.

' 24-' 25 season was the first time the Sherpa was used as it should be, a groomer. The snow conditions were the best for grooming since using the new ICCU Pisten Bully. It was noticeable on race connector, Daley’s, High Basin, Lost Groomer. The Sherpa works best on cold snow and loosens the snow. The upper trails had cupping.

The communication between the foundation groomers was nice. However, the groomers that don’t attend the Dec. grooming class need to check that maintenance is done and remove the ice from the back track. Especially on the upper and bottom parts of the inside track.

Consider removal of the Douglas Fir on Sage/Upper Canyon. It creates a snow shadow there. Dirt would also have to be moved.

Have the City move the snow away from the Sherpa lane into and out of the garage. Currently the snow has to be hand shoveled.

Next season add 30-40’ of snow fence to a specific area on the uphill side of Jack Rabbit.

The Sherpa will be serviced (service clutch, fix hours clock or add new hours clock, check belt…) for storage after visiting Hub’s Performance, Preston, ID. The Sherpa heat was better with the recommended European spark plugs.

Dave Roy will be transporting it to Hub’s, then storage.

Randy Anderson, Community Night Coordinator

Community Night was successful.

Sometimes people showed up without food to share. Some attendees thought the pot luck was a City event.

Dave Roy, Potato Cup Coordinator

There were about 66 pre-registrations

Teri Neu supplied the yummy food.

Thanks to Laura Wolter for collecting a wide variety of great prizes and raffle items

Add the volunteers for the raffles in addition to the racers.

Next year have Peter Pruitt’s “Visit Pocatello” advertise it.

Also enroll in the “201 Things to Do in Idaho” magazine

Cary Rhodes, Director, Outdoor Recreation

Next year the City hopes to have 6 people trained to run the Pisten Bully. The trails will be groomed for Friday, Saturday, Sunday and an additional day during the week.

Cary submitted a new master plan to USFS. The previous master plan was from 2013-2014. The City wants to expand the ski and snowshoe trails. Take the yurt off the rental market (most renters are sledders). Put a second yurt at the green snowshoe/ski intersection. Fence the cattle out of the base area. Have the cattle out before the Nordic Center opens as stated in the grazing permit.

USFS has approved expanding the parking lot on the West and South ends. Also the groomer turn around off Upper Canyon has approval with an archeological review. The ski trail can’t cross a stream.

The City met with the USFS to discuss paving the Nordic Center road. The USFS doesn’t want to maintain the road. The City would maintain the road. The Street Department would pave the road with recycled asphalt applied with proper water diversion to the existing dirt road. It would cost about $40K. It hasn’t been approved yet.

The City is still working on getting a camera that shows the Trail condition and Temperature. The trail camera didn’t work. The City is looking at a job site camera. For Daylight hours it costs about $2K. $5K will get a camera that runs 24 hr. The operating cost runs $200-$240/month.

Bill Woodhouse shared that Rendevous Ski Trails, West Yellowstone, has a nice camera. Dean had been in contact with Idaho Falls Nordic Club for sponsoring a temperature weather station. Maybe they might help with sponsoring the camera.

The City would like additional signage for sledding / no sledding areas.

The Yurt still needs insulation under the deck as well as skirting around the deck.

The A frame now needs an electrical update. The yurt might get electricity with that update.

The last fee increase was in 2016. The ‘25-‘26 season will be $105 for a preseason pass. The daily rate will be $5/kid, $15/adult, $10/Sr. Dog passes are being considered.

Cary needs the Potato Cup information for USFS.

The City would like a Spring Event, “Brew-ski” scheduled on a Saturday. This is different from “Brewfest”. The Zoo would help with the event and co-fundraise with the City. Food Trucks would be in the parking lot.

The ’24-‘25 attendance and passes information isn’t available yet.

There was a high demand for lessons, especially on weekends. The City would hire instructors.

There will be a Spring midweek volunteer day in addition to the work days in the Fall.

Other Business:

The heated Sherpa garage is possible for the ’26-27 season. It would have a propane heater with forced air on a timer to melt the snow and dry the condensation. The Sherpa garage would be owned by the foundation and big enough for the Sherpa and attached Ginsu. It needs to be size appropriate to be sure the snow can melt off the Sherpa without refreezing after the heater is finished.

Bill Woodhouse is working with Cary Rhodes with USFS guidelines.

An 18’ x 24’ Montana Pole Barn kit is $15,800 plus concrete pad, insulation & heater.

Membership Thoughts

The Fall race series signed up some members.

The public isn’t aware that PXCSF is different from Outdoor Parks and Recreation.

The grooming report from the club should include “grooming by PXCSF”.

The club should advertise the club with a permanent sign.

Laura Wolter added a QR code that allows tips for the club groomers.

Nordic Pulse App

Auto uploads grooming report to the trail map. It is color coded when each trail was last groomed. It needs pre-planning to upload reports since spotty cell service at the Nordic Center. Rexburg Nordic Center is similar to East Mink Creek Nordic Center and the costs to add electricity should be comparable. Rexburg uses the Nordic Pulse App.