



MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 17, 2025



Officers Present: President, Dan Marich; Chair, Jodi Olson; Co-chair/Trail Coordinator, Joe McKenney; Appointed Treasurer Tammy Johnson; Secretary, Dave Houghton

Meeting: Meeting called to order at 6:00pm, 23 in attendance

Meeting Minutes: April 16, 2025 minutes approved, (M/S/C) Tim Arnold/John Taray

Treasures Report: Sept. 16, 2025 Financial report approved, (M/S/C) Rick Harding/Jessica Stahl
Checking - \$11,468.12 Savings - \$1,041.51
Discussion - Club was involved in a scam, was caught early, all money returned, new procedures and communication in place to prevent future problems, account was not jeopardized; amended motion to approve with correction to April 16, 2025 treasures report to remove the receiving of a 4th Benchmark from DNR.

*Note: \$75,000 CD matured Sept. 17th (day of monthly meeting) and has been put back into our account. Treasurers report run on Sept. 16th.

Presidents Report:

- Pres. Dan Marich discussed his position as president of the PathBlazers, would accept a pres. nomination (elected pos.), but can no longer do the trail admin. (volunteer pos.)
- Leetonia trail, the components have been fixed by PathBlazers member John Taray
- Iron Trail Snowmobile Maps are complete and being printed
- Talked about upcoming events:
 - Oct. 24-26 MnUSA Fall Workshop
 - ALS Bike Tour starting Sept 18th
 - Feb. 12-15 MnUSA Winter Rendezvous
 - Feb. 11-14 ALS Blizzard Tour, up the North Shore this year
- New Snowmobile Safety Trainer for our club, Mr. Dan Tarnowski (official Oct. 10) Jessica Stahl is still assisting. Thank you for your work
- October PathBlazers board elections for President and Co-Chair, and Special Election for Treasurer (no nominees last April), this is to fill former treasurer Erin Schirmer's position
- DNR C.O. Marc Johnson was unable to join us tonight, but will be at our October 15th monthly meeting
- Discussion on a lander owners diner

Trail Report, Joe McKenney:

- Brushing has started, few trees down, so far things don't look to bad
- Logging off the south trail, should help with some future changes
- New shelter for Tac Trail Intersection, built in pieces at Dan Tarnowski's this fall, trailered to location for assembly, materials needed, permit is still good

Trail Report (cont'd)

- Very wet in the woods
- New groomer has received service
- Always looking for some new faces to help out
- Equipment maintenance, very little needed due to the low hours, log books to be updated and put in machines

MnUSA News:

- MnUSA Fall Workshop Oct. 24-26, 2025, Minneapolis Marriott West
- Winter Rendezvous in February

Old Business:

- Secretary Dave Houghton talked memberships numbers for the year(PathBlazers/MnUSA) and membership mailers going out *note: over 58% of memberships were paid in person or through the USPS

New Business:

- **October 15, 2025 Elections Meeting** will be seeking a President, Co-Chair and Treasurer, Nominations and Elections on the same night.
- Discussed this years monthly meeting locations and dates
- October monthly meeting will be **Wednesday, October 15, 2025 Pizza & Wings Party and Election Night**. Meeting starts at 6:00pm. Everyone (member/nonmember) is welcome. Please continue the giving of non-perishable food items.
- **Seeking a volunteer to be our Trail Administrator.** Pres. and current Trail Admin Dan Marich will help train
- Snowmobile Safety Classes will be scheduled soon. New instructor Dan Tarnowski and Jessica Stahl will be training. Other volunteers needed and welcomed (no experience needed). Look at a other locations if there is low/no snow conditions
- MnUSA Platinum Club Membership - \$75, support and exposure, discussion
Motion - Purchase a MnUSA Platinum Membership for \$75 to support MnUSA and give our club some positive exposure. (M/S/C) Rick Harding/Steve Carlson

Communications:

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn at 7:12pm, (M/S/C) Jaimie McKenney/Sharon Johnson

Next Meeting: Oct. 15, 2025
Pizza & Wings Party and Board of Directors Elections
Jim's Sports Bar in Chisholm, MN
Food starts @ 5:15pm
Meeting Starts @ 6:00pm
Please don't forget your non-perishable food item.
This months donation goes to The Local Food Shelves

For more information, questions or comments, please feel free to contact the following:
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