

# **MARITIME TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL ASSOCIATION (MTTPA)**

## **2017 MINUTES**

Richmond Corner club hosted the annual MTTPA awards/banquet on November 11, 2017.

### **1) Welcome**

Welcome by Kirby Densmore, President

### **2) Call to Order – Identify Voting Members**

Meeting called to order by Kirby Densmore, President at 10:00 am with 58 in attendance.

Identification of voting members from each club:

- Centreville, NB – Robert Pryor & Bryon McGrath
- Crapaud, PEI - Eddy Baird & Jason Webster
- Grand Falls, NB - John Bellefleur & Troy Green
- Presque Isle, Maine - Terry Berube & Danny Ireland
- Richmond Corner, NB - Ernest Atkinson & Kristy McCormack

### **3) Approval of Agenda**

#### **MTTPA Meeting 2017Agenda** **Richmond Corner NB, November 11, 2017**

- Welcome
- Call to order – identify voting members
- Approval of agenda
- Review of 2016 Minutes
- Business arising from 2016 minutes
- Review 2017 Treasurers Report
- Review of 2018 Fees
- Election of Officers
- Discussion issues
- Website
- Points
- Techman
- Club Discussion Time
- Working Group Conference Call
- Presentation of Resolutions and Discussion points
- New Business
- 2018 Event Schedule & Banquet
- Adjournment

**\*Motion: To accept copy of the 2017 Approval of Agenda**



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Motion: Bryon McGrath

Seconded by: Terry Berube

Motion Carried: 10/0

### 6) Review of the 2018 Fees (read by Kirby Densmore, President and circulated)

#### Review of 2018 Fees

#### 2018 Fees will be as listed

-Club Fee \$750. This is to cover the Club registration for an MTTPA event.

-Dyno rental \$625

-Membership Dues \$65. Yearly cost per pulling vehicle to cover tech man, insurance and the banquet.

-\*Any puller not wanting a full membership will be required to pay the insurance fee of \$20 plus \$30 for a weekend membership.

Second time of attending an MTTPA event you will be charged the remaining \$35 for your full membership.

-Any card bearing members outside the Maritimes will be allowed to participate in any MTTPA event without being charged membership registration, **BUT**, will be required to pay appropriate insurance fee of \$20 at each event per vehicle. **These units will not receive awarded points.**

#### \*Motion to accept 2018 fees as read

Motion: Terry Berube

Seconded by: John Bellefleur

Motion Carried: 10/0

### 7) Election of Officers

A call was made 3x from the floor for the following positions: President, Vice President & Treasurer. No names came forth, therefore Kirby Densmore, President; Jason Webster, Vice President; Tim Talpey, Treasurer will remain the same

May Atkinson resigned as Secretary.

Jason Webster nominated Kristy McCormack – declined

Secretary position presently vacant

### 8) 2017 Discussion Topics

**A) WEBSITE:** We need to thank Kyle Ferguson from PEI for doing the website. He has agreed to do it again this year and would like any input and pictures. He is currently working on a new layout. Each weekend results will be displaced as well as the current points standings. Would like to get a new logo

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as well to launch with the new website layout.

**\*Motion- Kyle to look after website for this coming year. Ok to make new logo which will be presented to the executive for approval before moving forward.**

**Motion: Jason Webster      Seconded by: Terry Berube      Motion Carried: 10/0**

**B) POINTS:** Again, we need to thank Kyle Ferguson for doing the points. He was very prompt once I received the results and sent them to him. Need to not if they didn't join as MTTPA.

Discussion: *Clubs are asked to CONFIRM name and number of vehicle registering. Presque Isle advertised as a Blown Class, MTTPA members participated and were not given appropriate points as this class was combined with 2WD Modified. Two years ago, MTTPA separated these classes. Change was noted, and appropriate action will take place recognizing 2WD Modified Trucks in the upcoming 2018 season.*

**C) TECHMAN:** Ricky Springer has agreed to remain techman for 2018 if the association wants to keep him.

Discussion: *Ricky has agreed to stay for another pulling season*

**Discussion:** *Revise Rule page 14 of MTTPA 2017 Rule Book - CHASSIS: No braces or supports to extend more than 13 feet from the center of the rear axle. Original wheel base must be maintained from factory.*

Discussed: To include weights, Stock tractors including weights cannot exceed 13' of rear axle.

\*Motion - No braces, supports or weights to extend more than 13' from the center of the rear axle. Original wheel base must be maintained from factory. With exception of permanently weld on hitch. No point of tractor can be beyond

**Motion: Terry Berube      Seconded by: Jason Webster      Motion Carried: 10/0**

**(11:00 a.m. – Moment of Silence - Remembrance Day)**

**D) CLUB DISCUSSION TIME**

1. Open to all Clubs for discussion about their event 2017 and upcoming 2018 plans

**Grand Falls** – Overall good year. Public/spectators were disappointed with the number of break downs this year stalling the show. Steak supper went over very well. After 11 years Mike McCluskey has stepped down as one of their organizers.

**Centreville** – No changes

**Richmond Corner** – Over all good year. Rain stopped the show Saturday evening and came to an end early on Sunday due to the rain. Thanked pullers/organizers for working together.

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**Presque Isle** – Pretty good overall; had to wait for the harness racing to be completed. Will not be an issue in upcoming season. Weather good, low on equipment. Some weight issues not same as MTTPA. Insurance is an issue, will look further into this for the upcoming year. Discussion of having fire equipment on track., mentioned to contact local fire department to borrow extinguishers.

**Crapaud** – Thanked pullers. “Banner” of a year with attendance of pulling vehicles and crowd.

### **E) WORKING GROUP CONFERENCE CALL**

We had a couple calls (Minutes Attached) and we all felt that everything worked out well. Good to do again.

Discussion: *This was well received and good to have discussion, will continue*

### **2017 Resolutions and Discussion points for MTTPA annual Meeting**

#### **Discussion points**

#### **Hot Stock need rules**

Discussion: We need a set of rules including weight, engine, RPM's presently no way to tack it. 2017 pulling season weight classes included: 12, 14 & 16 000 lbs. See rules presented.

\*Motion: 14 500 lb. weight class for Hot Stock only. Rules to accept as presented. Hot stock classes will be recognized for MTTPA points

Weight 14500lb

Engine 540cubic inch max

Injector Pump A Pump max

Diesel Fuel only (no BioDiesel)

Turbo 3" in 3" out max

Tires 20.8 x 42

Safety Belts

Air shut off

Fuel Shut off (dead man) Ball Valve

Wheelie bars

Factory ROPs or Equivalent, Capable of exceeding weight of vehicle

Inspected by MTTPA Tech Man

Tie bars from bellhousing to center section

Top Safety Bar from ROPs to tie bars

2 3/8 bolts x in Exhaust as per pro farm

Bellhousing shield or blanket

Motion by: Andy McConnell Seconded: Tadic Jobin

Motion carried: 10/0

### **Stock regarding dyno (how to test for Horsepower)**

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**Discussion:** *Able to check any stock tractor at ANY RPM's, not just 540 & 1000 rpm's.*

**\*Motion:** Stock tractors will be checked at ANY RPM's.

**Motion by:** Jason Webster

**Seconded by:** John Bellefleur

**Motion Carried:** 10/0

### Paying and letting outside club members pull which don't meet our class rules

**Discussion:** *This issue arised this year in the SuperStock Truck class. We had vehicle(s) register and take part and were given points/prizes. Even though we welcome them to join us their vehicles do not comply with MTTPA rules, therefore the organizer(s) of the event must be notified when these vehicles are registered so prizes/points may be given correctly to MTTPA members.*

### DYNO

**Discussion:** Need a single dyno operator, a fee will need to be applied to stock pullers for the cost of a dyno operator to travel to each event. Fee to be determined at a later date.

**\*Motion:** To hire a dyno operator and add a fee (to be determined) to stock pullers registration for the cost of a dyno operator.

**Motion by:** Bryon McGrath **Seconded by:** Ricky Springer **Motion Carried:** 10/0

### LIGHT PRO FARM TRACTORS

Light Pro Farm Agreed to by: **Glenn Mockler**; Ethan McLaughlin; Mitch MacMillan; **Scott Larson**; Aaron Vernal; **Carl Smith**; (**Logan Thomas can't tell if it's his signature**). Not on list but have or had tractors in the past. Mike Simonson, Scott Thompson **BOLD are only 2107 members**

8500 lb.

18.4 x 38 max tire size (no brand rule)

Aluminum rear wheels allowed

410 CID + 1%

No BioDiesel

Turbo 3 x 3 (No other rules)

Data Logger Allowed

**Discussion:**

*Weight: Maine pulls allow movable weight*

*Engine: Wrong to begin with cheaper 400 then 360*

*Pump: Everyone running it now*

*Fuel: Gas or diesel fuel only NO Biodiesel or Alcohol*

*Turbo: No discussion*

*Tire: No discussion*

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*Coolers: No discussion*

*Safety Rules: Super Farm – NTTPA rules apply – Delete Super Farm*

*Data Logger: not allowed*

**\*Motion: Revise Light Pro Farm rules as discussed while reviewing rule book**

**Light Pro Farm**

Weight 8500lbs

**TIRES**

**18.4 x 38 max**

**No puller brand tires allowed**

**ENGINES**

**414 cubic inches max**

**Engines must have massed produced for brand of tractor**

**No marine or aircraft engines allowed**

**Any engine that has been increased or decreased from original CID must be checked by tech for cubic inch before installed.**

**Engine cylinder head must match block, 2 valves per cylinder max**

**Must use factory OEM intake for engine brand with no alternations IE spacer plates or spacer adapter**

**No header allowed**

**May change exhaust manifold to accept up to T4 base**

**May use adaptor plate on turbo engines to accept up to t4 base**

**No aluminum heads allowed**

**No aftermarket cast heads IE: Hypermax**

**No overhead cams allowed**

**No intercoolers or aftercoolers**

**FUELS**

**Inline electric or gear driven fuel pump allowed**

**Gas or Diesel only (No Biodiesel Fuel or Alcohol)**

**P Pump max with 13mm plungers**

**One plunger per cylinder**

**No oxygen carrying agents (ether, propane, nitrous)**

**No computerized or electric controlled fuel systems allowed**

**Supply pump either electric or gear driven**

**If electric pump used it must be wired into kill switch and ignition**

**Turbo 3inch in 3inch out max**

**All exhaust must exit straight up within 10degrees of plum**

**Exhaust pipe must have 2 3/8-inch bolts crossed with an x pattern within 1 inch of each other and within 3 inches of turbo exhaust**

**CHASSIS**

**Must use OEM rear end, transmission center section engine and tin work**

**May upgrade gears in transmission, no gear boxes allowed**

**May upgrade frame rails and front end, front tires must track in rear**

**Will use stock rules for draw bar, weights and safety shielding**

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**Side shields must be easily removable. (no Bolts)**

**Safety All Safety Rules including shielding and SFI requirements apply to this class i.e.: Pro Stock**

**Motion: Ricky Springer      Seconded by: Terry Berube      Motion Carried: 7/0**

**10) New Business**

**No new business discussed**

**11) 2017 Event Schedule & Banquet**

Grand Falls, NB– June 16 & 17  
Centreville, NB - June 30 & July 1st  
Richmond Corner, NB – July 7 & 8  
Presque Isle, Maine – July 27 & 28  
Crapaud, PEI – August 3 & 4 (Rain date 5)

**2018 Meeting and Banquet to be held by the Centreville Club on November 10, 2018**

**\*Motion made to adjourn the 2017 MTTPA meeting at 1:30 pm**

**Motion: Terry Berube      Seconded by: Ricky Springer      Motion Carried: 10/0**