BCHVH REGULAR MEETING July 7, 2018

ATTENDEES: Greg Good, Dawn Theisen, Ron & Teresa Anderson, Diane Cherry, Susan & Charlie Smith, Nancy & Bill Sluys, Renee & Curtis Stillwell, Anne Crawford, Charles Poole, Jennifer Mulligan, Marge Lewter, Laurel Pollock, Elin Call, Anne Lemere, Byron Wallace, Holly Schenk, Ray & Annise Matthews

Nancy called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm

- Previous meeting minutes Secretary asked for and received approval of the May 19, 2018 meeting minutes.
- Treasurer's report Administrative Account: \$2590.24 Trail Fund Account: \$6121.48 (see attached report)
- Southern States account total –\$23.00 (92 POPs).

 They will now only accept POP from Legends and Southern States horse feeds.

New business:

- 1. Nancy gave report on the recent information she received from the Forest Service. Sara Abbott, Recreation Manager for Mt Rogers NRA ,recently retired and there will be a temporary person taking her place for a while before a permanent replacement will be hired. This news came as a surprise to us and it was discussed that we expand our Public Lands Committee so that we have extra people checking in with the forest service more often to stay even more informed of issues as they come up.
- 2. Anne made a motion that we expand our Public Lands Committee and Byron Wallace, Curtis Stillwell, and Susan Smith volunteered to be on the committee along with Nancy and Diane. Motion carried and passed.
- 3. As the forest service begins to revisit the trail plan there is work that we can do to help put desired trails in the plan, not just in the east end but across other areas of the NRA that have connector trails that have not been identified. Groups in the area are busy documenting desired trails in the east end and we can identify trails in other sections with the hopes of pooling information with the other equestrian groups. Plans are in the works to get together and talk about this and other trail issues.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 pm. Minutes submitted by: Diane Cherry, Secretary

Calendar for 2018:

July 14 – Horse and Hound Festival in Bedford, VA from 11am-6pm August 22-26 – Iron Mountain Jubilee Endurance Ride at Ivanhoe Horse Show

September 15 – Trail Work – TBD location

September 29 – Public Lands Day at FS Headquarters in Marion

October 13 – BCHVH Meeting at Triple C

November 2-4 – National Equestrian Trails Conference in Scottsdale Arizona

November 10 – Trail Work – TBD Location

December 8 – BCHVH Christmas Party – TBD Location