

BCHVH REGULAR MEETING

May 19, 2018

ATTENDEES: Greg Good & Dawn Theisen, Ron & Teresa Anderson, Diane Cherry, Martha Teitelbaum, Susan & Charlie Smith, Nancy Sluys, Renee & Curtis Stillwell

Nancy called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm

- Previous meeting minutes - Secretary asked for and received approval of the the January 13, 2018 meeting minutes.

- Treasurer's report – Administrative Account: \$2777.24

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. Report on May 9th meeting with the Forest Service. Met with Barry Garten, Sara Abbott, and Tom Blevin. Kiosk project scheduled for this fall. Raised the question of using ATVs on the trail to do trail work. They asked us what trails are important to add to the system trails. They are planning to have some prescribed burns done and some tree cutting in the Ewing Mtn area. They are concerned about how to reach all of the horse riders in the area, not just the three horse groups in this area (BCHVH, BCHSW, NRA Trail Coalition). Ideas were to have pamphlets handed out to the people at the horse camps. Need to work with the forest service to find out what they would want to convey to the equestrian community. Nancy suggested putting some committees together to get ideas and network with other national forests to find out how they get things accomplished. Identify forest with issues and how they solved it. Put list of trails together with issues and how we think we can solve the issues. We asked Barry about allowing the Hickory Ridge Trail to be used by equestrians. We also asked that they create a trail around the private property on the Iron Mtn trail.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Diane Cherry, Secretary

Calendar for 2018:

June 2 – National Trails Day – Work ride from Dawn's place in Sugar Grove;

Ride out time will be 10 am. Please let Dawn know if you will be attending.

Bring a lunch and will have a pot luck dinner after the work day.

June 14-17 – Garrie Bates Memorial NATRC Ride at Triple C

June 29-July 1 – Mule Benefit Ride at Triple C

July 4-8 – BCHVH Campout at Triple C

July 7 – BCHVH Meeting at Triple C

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