

BCHVH REGULAR MEETING  
May 21, 2016

ATTENDEES: Nancy & Bill Sluys, Diane Cherry, Gina Haggis, Roger Call, Dawn Theisen, Greg Good, Holly Schenk, Susan Tomaselli

Dawn called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

- Previous meeting minutes - Secretary asked for and received approval of the April 16<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes
- Treasurer's report – Administrative account balance: \$1552.90 – no debits or credit  
Trail Fund account balance: \$3050 +\$215 from BCHA Education Foundation = \$3265

Updates on old business:

1. Updates and details on the Mount Rogers NRA 50 year anniversary activities –
  - May 28<sup>th</sup> BCHVH booth at the FS headquarters – Susan and Annie Malone will be setting up the booth for the day there and will show the 3 posters for BCHVH, LNT, & Tools with an assortment of our tools, BCHVH pamphlets, BCHA pamphlets - Susan is also bringing her horse Poppy which is great for “show and tell”!
  - June 4<sup>th</sup> Meet Up and Ride event at Pleasant Valley Acres in Sugar Grove – we will have the 3 posters displayed here also – Bill Carter will help cook lunch day of event, Dawn, Diane and Gail will make deserts (brownies or cookies) in individual bags to hand out – Diane made a motion made to ask for \$150 from SS account to use to pay for the luncheon, motion 2<sup>nd</sup> and passed
2. Valley Divide Project update – 4<sup>th</sup> work day was on May 12<sup>th</sup> – we are close to half way thru the new trail corridor – attendees were Nancy & Bill, Kevin & Kelly Nunn, Mike McClelland, Diane and from the forest service Steven and Dick, next work date is still to be determined
3. T-Shirt Designs for BCHVH update – Gina thought her design was too elaborate for T-shirt, Nancy showed idea she had worked on before and will check with printer to see if her idea would work on T-shirts, Diane mentioned a T-shirt idea that Jennifer French had for a funny T-shirt with horse saying “Where in the orange diamonds am I?”, folks liked the idea of T-shirt for members who are attending events that we put on like this year as part of the MRNRA 50<sup>th</sup> celebration – Nancy estimates that it would be \$5 per T-shirts - Nancy made motion to do some T-shirts for cost of \$350 or less (about 6 dozen) will do turquoise, blue or green colored shirts, Bill 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and passed
4. Schedule upcoming meetings and activities
  - several trails need to have trail work days if folks can be available – start of Dry Run from FS14 has bare rock with bad footing now in the go around areas, Iron Mtn trail from Dry Run to Divide Trail has several large trees down in the trail (can we get permission to ride motorcycle up there with chain saws to take these out?), there is tree down on the VHHT off of FS 14 near the two river crossings, and there are a few trees down on the VHHT from the Divide Trail to the river crossings, the Moore trail needs work, Mike's Gap trail from Snowbird needs work – will schedule a work weekend for first weekend in July from Friday thru Monday, where we came at Triple C and try to do

several projects in the area, Gina offered to make some new signs for BCHVH for trail work days

- motion made, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and carried for the next meeting to be on Saturday July 2<sup>nd</sup> of the work weekend as a combined meeting for June/July
- Dawn would like to have something going on every month, proposed to have another workday weekend in September maybe with meeting, maybe doing some of this on issues in the Raccoon Wilderness Area
- Diane suggested we think about having another Rendezvous in October 2017

New Business:

5. National Board Meeting Report – Diane gave summary of meeting highlights – biggest issue of concern is the potential sale of public lands back to the states, see the NBM emails that Diane sent out earlier in the week for more on the 4 days of events  
-Diane submitted bill for NBM hotel fee – total of \$375.15, motion made to reimburse the cost, 2<sup>nd</sup> and carried
6. Vice President Nominations – Diane nominated Elin Call, Gina 2<sup>nd</sup>, passed; Diane made motion to accept Elin as interim VP and if any one else is willing to accept a nomination then we will have an election at the June/July meeting, Nancy 2<sup>nd</sup> motion and it was carried
7. National Equestrian Trails Conference, Raleigh, NC, July 8-10 – Nancy and Gina interested in going to this event, if anyone else is interested let us know

Meeting adjourned 8:40pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Diane Cherry, Secretary