

BCHVH REGULAR MEETING
September 17, 2016

ATTENDEES: Linda & Wayne Frazier, Ronnie Patton, Nancy Sluys, Elin & Roger Call, Dawn Theisen, Greg Good, Susan Tomaselli, Diane Cherry

Elin called the meeting to order at 6:10pm

- Previous meeting minutes - Secretary asked for and received approval of the July 2nd meeting minutes
- Treasurer's report – Administrative account balance – two new memberships added bringing total to: \$1294.56
 - Trail Fund – no change - account balance: \$3265
- Dawn was given the money from the Tack Sale (\$281) and BCHVH Tee-shirts (\$255) sold at the Endurance ride August 26-28th. – Motion was made to split the Tee-shirt money between the administrative and trail fund accounts (\$7.50 to each fund for each Tee-shirt). The income the tack sale will go to the Admin account. Motion carried and approved. Nancy also gave a \$20 check from IMJ Tee-shirts sold at Endurance ride, and a check for \$350 from the Garrie Bates Memorial NATRC Ride.
- Southern States account total - \$272.12

Updates on old business:

1. Report on meeting with Jim Thompson, the Mount Rogers NRA ranger filling in for Beth Mertz, who has retired. Jim had met with Nancy, Ann Crawford, Holly Schenk, Diane Cherry, and Gina Hagis in early June at Triple C. We were able to discuss the Trail Realignment plan with him and he offered to try and find out why the pause order had been issued, as well as when they might resume work on the trail improvements. We able to follow up on this when we saw Jim at the Public Lands event at the forest service headquarters earlier in the day. Jim said the pause was due to the controversy last summer. He did not expect any quick action to resume the trail realignment plan because of lack of funding and lack of personnel. Jim did tell us he will put in for a permanent position here. He is open to other ways to get things done and interested in hearing any of our ideas
 - Sara Abbott reported slow down on the Kiosk parking area enlargement. We talked about trying to move forward on this. Bill Carter's is using the manual from the forest service to determine spacing required and is working on estimate needed to implement the project. Nancy hopes that the Kiosk project will be one way to bring chapters together to work on items.
2. Showed the poster from the 'Sharing Trails with Horses' at the Public Lands Day Forest Service headquarters on Rt 16.
3. Valley Divide Project is left with only one day to complete the work in the middle. This work was completed on Thursday, September 22nd, and they hope to have the trail work equipment part of the project begin sometime this fall.
4. Officer nominations – President (Nancy accepted nomination), Treasurer (Dawn Theisen accepted nomination), 1 State Delegate, Alternate State Delegate (Gina Hagis), BOD Chapter Members at Large (Susan Tomaselli, Annie Malone, Holly

Schenk, Ronnie Patton) – we are looking for any additional nominations for officers and we would like to confirm those folks serving as state delegate or board members still want to remain in those positions, or if anyone else would like to run for either of these positions.

5. Schedule upcoming meetings and activities

The next meeting will be Saturday October 15th. We are hoping for good weather so will plan another weekend of camping at Triple C. If the weather is not looking good the meeting may be moved to someone's house. We will have the meeting at 6pm and a pot luck supper to follow.

Meeting adjourned 7:10pm.

Minutes submitted by:

Diane Cherry, Secretary