



# Squaw Butte Back Country Horsemen

## April 4, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Submitted by Shannon Schantz

**Meeting Called to order:** President Ron Fergie at 7:00 PM followed by the pledge of flag. 24 members and 5 guests were present. Members: Bill & Chris Holt, Rob Adams, Dave dinger, Arlynn Hacker, Phil & Kay Ryan, Louise Ravery, Tom & Linda Hughes, Lynn & Peggy Garner, Fanny Burki, Lorraine & Charles Chick, Dick Peterson, Ron Fergie, Peggy Purdome, Jon Seel, Cliff Kelley, Val Sherman. Guests: Sally Ferguson, Mike & Merissa Hughes, Susan & Monty Hardy.

**Meeting Minutes:** No amendments were proposed. Charles Chick made motion to accept the March 2019 minutes. The motion was seconded by Bill Holt. The minutes were passed unanimously.

**Guest Speaker:** Sally Ferguson, SBFC (Selway Bitterroot Frank Church) Foundation. The Foundation has 2 offices. 1 Located in Boise and the other Missoula, MT. Ms. Ferguson runs the Boise office and presented information regarding the organization, goals and projects. There are several projects that are open to the public.

**Treasurers Report:** See Reports attached to these minutes. Motion to accept minutes was made by Phil Ryan and seconded by Lynn Garner.

### **Committee Reports:**

Education: Charles and Lorraine Chick, Co-chairs

1<sup>st</sup> Aid class taught by Bogus Basin Ski Patrol is on 4/6/2019. It is full with 12 participants. Maximum participation is supposed to be 10. The committee has been receiving requests for a second class but so far none has been decided on or scheduled.

Projects and Rides: Rob Adams, Chair

Refer to the website for schedule and specifics. Some activities are open to the public

5/19/2019 Sawyer Safety Workshop at Rob Adams house. Workshop is required for all Sawyers.

State Director/National Director: Phil Ryan reporting

- BOD/Convention: Board of Directors voted to return 10% of calendar sales to the chapters. The Minimum Resource Analysis (MRA) resolution from Washington State was approved. Refer to March minutes for details of the MRA
- SBBCH took second place in the chapter display. The chapter received a \$150 prize. Eagle Rock Chapter donated a bag as a prize for the chapter displays. This was presented to Charles and Lorraine Chick at tonight's meeting for putting together the SBBCH chapter display.

- Photo contest-photo submitted by Rob Adams for work projects was awarded third place. A certificate was presented to Rob at the meeting
- A presentation was given on the set up of a good pasture. See Blog for handout.
- BCHI Chairman: Rod Parks; Vice-Chair: Chris Reed; Secretary: Debbie Samovar; Treasurer: Kay Ryan; Foundation Chairman: Bill Holt

BCHI Sawyer Certification: Rob Adams reporting.

- The national forest in Idaho are in two different USFS regions. North of the Salmon river is region 1. South of the Salmon river is region 4. Region 1 is ahead of region 4 in regard to the USFS National Saw Policy implantation in regard to volunteer sawyer training. The goal of region 4 sawyer and recreation managers is to catch up to region 1 in 2019.
- BCHI chapter in region 1 have three members who have been certified as "C" Sawyer trainer/evaluators. They are Joe Robinson (North Central), Todd Brown (North Central) and Jerry Lane (Twin Rivers). These members have been providing sawyer training for their and other chapter members when USFS Sawyer classes by the ranger districts were not available.
- Chapter in region 4 do not yet have any members certified as "C" Sawyer trainer/evaluators. This level of training has not been available. Working with Brian Burbridge (Region 4 saw coordinator) and Ryan Erne (BNF Saw Coordinator) a "C" level course has been arranged on May 7th & 8th 2019 for four BCHI members in region 4. These members are Rob Adams (Squaw Butte), Charles Chick (Squaw Butte), Dave Fogle (Pocatello) and Mark Ottman (Cache Peak). Upon successful completion of this course it is expected that these members will be credentialed to provide "A" & "B" level sawyer training for region 4 chapters.

Public Lands: Phil Ryan reporting.

There is basically no funding for personnel for trails work on public lands. \$400,000 was allotted for recreation from the Land, Water Conservation Act. All of this is used up in administrative costs through the various agencies that have access.

BCHA is proposing that all 34 states in the organization and the membership push for a public land sticker for vehicles. This idea is supported by a number of sportsman's groups and groups like the Wilderness Society as well.

Foundation: Bill Holt, New Chairman.

The foundation is still working on restoration of the 501c3. Members who have been using Amazon smile and signed up for BCHI donations prior to the loss of the 501c3 can still accumulate donations. Foundation funds for projects will be dispersed to BCHI chapter yearly at the foundation meeting held each March. Education funds can be applied for year-round. Bill is looking into the possibility of requesting reimbursement for the First Aid Class under education from the foundation.

**Unfinished Business:** proposed amendments to Bylaws and Standing Rules. Reading was provided by Bill Holt

- Second reading of the amendment to the bylaws article 7, section 2 was read today. There were no questions for discussion. Motion was made to pass the amendment by K Ryan and seconded by Arlynn Hacker. The motion was carried
- Second reading of the proposed amendment to change the standing rules article 5 officers directors and committee duties section 8 was read tonight. There were no

questions for discussion. Motion to accept the amendment was made by Arlynn Hacker and seconded by Phil Ryan. The motion was carried.

**New Business:** None

**Program/Good of the Order**

50/50 draw. \$51 was collected tonight. Fanny Burki won the draw and was awarded \$25 and \$26 went into the treasury.

**Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 PM.**