



Squaw Butte Back Country Horsemen

MEETING Minutes April.6, 2023

Meeting called to order: At 7 PM, President Heather Donesky called the meeting to order followed by the pledge of allegiance.

21 members in good standing were present.

- Meeting minutes: motion was made to accept March meeting minutes. The motion was seconded & passed.
- Treasurer's Report: Shannon Schantz presented the Treasurer's report, there was a motion to accept the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded & passed.
- Thank you to Shannon Schantz for continuing to manage the chapter finances and records.

Life flight Network

- to get the discount, members have to mail in the application with a note about the discount or call to register. The discount will not be applied if done online.

SBBCH Treasurer's Report

- Savings
- Open Balance 3/1/2023 \$14953.75 Int accrued .13 Ending Balance 3/31/23 \$14953.88
- Checking Opening Balance 3/1/23 \$10653.48 Income \$ 6805.00 (calendar, dues, Donations, grant) Expenses (\$9781.54) (web, calendar printing, reserve) Closing Balance 3/31/23 \$ 7676.94
- Working Balance (Funds that are not dues {\$1895.00} or grant {\$2081.96}) checking \$3699.98; savings \$14953.88

Membership 2023:

Family 19
Single 24
Total 44

Committee Reports:

Education: Rob/Dan

- Pack Clinics @ the Horseman Show and at end of the month, Emmett Fairgrounds.
- Sawyer Safety Workshop-May 6th (classroom) and 7th (Field Day) will be held at Rob Adams classroom porch-sign up for this event online.
- Annual garage sale fundraiser is scheduled for May 20th in the Key Bank parking lot. Working on securing a port-a-potty for the event. There is available storage for items, graciously offered by Wendy Weston, a chapter member, at the Freezeout Hill Storage.

Projects, planning and rides- Dan/Lisa G

- Johnson creek fun ride from Rob Adams house is scheduled for April 15th, with a potluck to follow-sign up online.
- Tin Cup project June 23-25th; 4 3x3 Corrals to be put in. In need of 220 Volt/10000-Watt generators, contact Bart. Will need additional help prior to project with torch cutting 31 ft posts -Date to be determined.
- Wilson Corrals project; fill in swamp at the trailhead – TBD.
- Sucker creek - Work on trash pick-up, approx. 4 miles – camp trip
- Roadside highway pickup – May 9th, 630pm, responsibility for approx. 3 miles by black canyon reservoir – bring your gloves!

Public Lands – Bart

- Received updated on water rainfall precipitation – currently 90-100% of normal. Forestry is concerned about fires, reviewed stages of Fire restrictions with BCH Chapter.

State Convention/Board of Directors: Phil/Kay/Dan

- The State Directors meeting was March 18th. Phil Ryan and Dan Waugh attended. Reviewed and discussed many topics from the State Convention. Owyhee initiative and Idaho Horse Council are made up of 12 groups.
- State Raffle Calendar \$500 rebate – donate back to the state, motion was withdrawn. Will discuss at a later meeting, Kay sending out a treasury report.

Congrats to Dan, Vice Chair to BCH!

- Proposal for a paid packing clinic and for creating a pack support video was not presented. Will discuss paid pack clinic for next year – to possibly include other chapters in the area, could be good revenue.

Recruiting: Phil

- Proposal for new members each year will get a hat and a patch with a new member packet. The motion was seconded and passed to start next year 2024.

Foundation-

- No updates

Horse council business:

- Owyhee initiative BLM does not allow e-bikes on nonmotorized trails.
- Dan discussed working with the state legislature in regard to his crusade to join different trail users' groups together, to form a larger state level coalition.
- Discussed recreation dollars – Equestrians is #4
- The Trails initiative meeting discussed how much \$\$ motorized stickers generate. BCH is going to help with selling stickers – selling at Horse Expo
- The Horse Council will start to put \$\$ towards trail head restoration, one trailhead a year. Finding new partnerships and grants, for example the Rocky mountain Elk Foundation.
- Expand vaccine clinics.
- Working with TVCC and U of I, training sawyers, forest service jobs, many initiatives!

Other Business:

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Program, good of the order:

Door Prizes drawn and awarded.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm

Meeting Minutes submitted by Dawn Johnson