

East Slope Back Country Horsemen Regular Meeting Minutes
March 15, 2018 7:00 PM
Pondera County Courthouse EOC

President Fred Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order. Attending are Ron and Debbie Ries, Fred Fitzpatrick, Joe and Helen Suta, Merlyn Huso, Kurt Dyer, Clete and Patsy Gregory, Bob and LeAnn Hermance.

Fred had sent out the minutes by email. No changes noted, minutes were accepted as published. LeAnn gave the treasurers report. No bills were presented and we have one outstanding check. Helen moved to accept the treasurers report, Bob 2nd the motion, motion carried.

The state board meeting will be April 6th, 1:00 PM at the Carnige Library at 7th and Main in Lewistown. Ron, Debbie and Fred will not be attending the convention. Joe and Helen Suta and Linda Huso will be delegates to the convention in their place. Other delegates are Bob and LeAnn, Zane Drishinski, Kurt Dyer and Merlyn Huso. There are still tickets available for the Choo-Choo train ride. If anyone has family that would like to go on the train contact Judith Basin BCH at www.bchmt.org/judith/ or JBBCH at P.O. Box 93, Lewistown, MT 59457.

Discussion on the resolution presented by BCH of America. This is on youth membership. Questions brought up were who gets the \$10 dues, how does it read in the constitution and the age youth are covered on work projects. Fred made the motion to vote in favor of the resolution, passed by unanimous vote. Delegates will vote on resolution at convention.

Clete reported that the SNOTEL site which burned in the fires has been replaced with the updated Sno Lite system. Should be up and running.

Meeting dates for the upcoming year are 4-12, 5-10, 6-14, 7-12, 8-9, 9-13, Chili Feed 10-13, Christmas 12-15, and Annual Meeting 1-12-19. Poker ride will be 8-5. Time 7:00 PM and the location has changed to the Pondera County Courthouse EOC, please use side door.

Due to the amount of snow and the fires last fall, the tentative project dates are as follows:

June 16 & 17 North Fork or trail 105

July 14 & 15 Blind Horse, camp at Antelope Butte trail head.

July 29 Swift Dam Poker Ride trail maintenance.

Bob presented a project to reestablish the historical trail on the west side of Swift Dam. This trail was done by Bob Marshall and was surveyed in 1907 and 1914. Since this is a historical trail, no environmental study is needed. Discussion on doing a ride to try and go find this location and to see what it would take to fix it will be done this summer.

Fred brought up doing an audit of the books. Kurt moved to not do an audit this year, Helen seconded the motion, motion passed.

Bob brought up using Facebook to promote our club. Last year at the trail ride, some participants came because they saw it on Facebook. So members, we need pictures and posts to Facebook and for others to share the information.

No further business, meeting adjourned. Next meeting April 12th.