Minutes - Last Chance Back Country Horsemen, Membership Meeting

October 2, 2024 7:00 p.m. Montana Wild

- President Jason Hughey welcomed everyone; new guest/member Alissa Bare
- Take Roll:

Jason Hughey, Ali Kenny, Terry Hutton, Cari, Haylie and Hannah Funkhouser, Nicole Anderson, Lyndsay Smith, Mike Layng, John Pavsek, Tom Weiss, Nick and Taylor Patterson, Bob Tomaskie, Krissy Gillispie, Alissa Bare

- Minutes from September 2024 meeting: Nick P motioned to approve, Krissy G seconds. All in favor, motion passed.
- Treasurer's Report: Presented by Ali K
 - Looking to identify an individual to audit our books in 2025.

Expenses

- Fred (Janet) Benson = \$249.98 (reimbursement for Katanaboy) (check # 1290; issued 9/4/24)
- Red Room Catering = \$400.00 (payment for bartending services for the 2025 Convention) (check # 1291; issued 9/4/24; delivered by Fred Benson)

Deposits

 9/25/24 = \$8,767.18 (MISC PAY USDA TREAS 310 RMR*IV*22CS11011500024*924 *050124-0*PI*8767.1) USFS Reimbursement for 2024 trail work on system trails within the Helena and Townsend Ranger Districts within the specified RAC area as submitted

Opportunity Bank - Total account holdings as of 10/2/24: \$51,534.55

| Account Type | Current Amount | Amount Last Meeting | Interest Rate | Term | Maturity |
|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------|----------|
| Checking | \$16,916.46 | \$8,607.32 | | - | - |
| Savings | \$1,727.33 | \$1,727.33 | 0.05% | - | - |
| CD1-6738 | \$11,147.25 | \$11,147.25 | 5.25% | 12 mo. | 4/18/25 |
| CD2-3512 | \$10,721.40 | \$10,721.40 | 5.25% | 12 mo. | 3/7/25 |
| CD3-3547 | \$11,021.89 | \$11,021.89 | 5.25% | 12 mo. | 3/7/25 |

- Treasurer's report: Lyndsay S motioned to approve, Nick P seconds. All in favor, motion passed.
 - Some discussion about distributing the USFS 2024 reimbursement payment to participating members for mileage, etc.; info to be compiled, coordinated and brought to next chapter meeting for further discussion

OLD BUSINESS

• Chapter Holiday meeting/party; to be held Wed, December 11 at VFW in East Helena; Fred Benson booked location, \$100; holiday planning committee volunteers: John Pavsek, Cathy Lay (John volunteered Cathy), Nicole Anderson (will manage gifts/prizes); this event will be a simple affair, likely

pot luck; Terry H will send last year's info to committee for reference; discussed need for pre-approved budget; Terry H motioned to approve \$300, Nick P seconds. All in favor, motion passed.

- Elections to be held for 2025; nomination committee to be determined at next meeting
- Training/Certifications: Terry H emailed the list to LCBCH members 9/23; Jason H had forms available for attendees to identify current certifications and/or certifications desired in the future
- 2025 Convention Committee update: Jason H noted the current raffle ticket and live auction items we have; need help getting silent auction items; Lyndsay S passed around a list of businesses to check with, some people signed up; members can also donate items if desired; as we get closer to the convention time (March 2025) will need lots of extra help from members; more to come
- Website 'manager' volunteer needed to do chapter updates Lyndsay Smith will continue updates until the end of this calendar year
- Membership Coordinator most BCHMT chapters have a volunteer identified; LCBCH currently does not; what the coordinator volunteer is responsible for, to be determined
- USFS Misc follow-up:
 - Jason H had received a request to complete a form finalizing expenses paid for the Woods
 Creek Project from 2023; Darlene H, Ali K and Terry H looked at prior records; the USFS request form is not clear; Terry H completed the form request with help from Mandy Alvino
 - Darlene H compiled members 2024 volunteer reports; Terry H worked with Mandy Alvino to complete and submit the Reimbursement Request Sept 17, 2024; Ali K reported funds were received Sept 25, 2024

NEW BUSINESS

• Blackfoot Meadows: John P identified a bridge that needs repaired/rebuilt; identified it was built by LCBCH in or around 1988; John is willing to lead the effort; Jason H will check with Lucas P, USFS, and possibly other long term members who may know more about the bridge; note: not in RAC area so would be responsibility of LCBCH and any help from USFS for supplies

OTHER BUSINESS

- John P and others identified interest in planning 'fun' rides for chapter members
- Thank you card from Cathy Bushnell, USFS for Mann Gulch work, Jason H has it
- Next Meeting: to be determined; possible Nov meeting!
- Adjourn: Nick P motioned to approve. All in favor, meeting ended.

Respectfully submitted: Terry Hutton, Secretary