

Lewis County Chapter Back Country Horsemen

Meeting Minutes April 3, 2019

Sulkum Fire hall, 7:00 p.m.

President Jim Thode called the meeting to order. Present were 20 members and 2 guests (Megan Lord, Chehalis, and Karlee Colson, Onalaska).

The March, 2019 meeting minutes were read as edited and approved.

Treasurer's report: The past month bills paid and money's collected into checking was given.

Directors Report: There was a short Directors meeting at Rendezvous/Ellensburg. A storage rental for BCHW was approved. The state office is still looking for a winery ride event chair. Anyone interested should contact Jim.

Trail Boss Reports: Slim Mardock stated we had 14-15 members at the March 31st Burnt Ridge work party. Tony Karniss used his excavator to clear trail through logged area. Jackie report need for gravel assistance. Norma and others reported need to repair the bridge near the alder patch close to the trailhead.

Jackie Hunter requested members interested in participating at another work party be at the Burnt Ridge trail head on April 6th 10:00 a.m. (Cancelled due to the weather.)

Jim Thode stated the meeting with Burnt Ridge Land Manager Larry Mitchem happened. Larry is a manager for Merrill and Ring. This new-to- the Chapter Forest Company has changed the gate rules at our Burnt Ridge trail site. **The cable gate at the trailhead is to remain OPEN.** The Merrill and Ring timber company is supportive of non-motorized recreational use of their timber lands.

Activities: Burnt Ridge Fun Ride, May 11, 2019

Jim reported he had sent to advertisement for the Fun Ride to Trail Head News. He reminded the group we will be doing bucket raffle this year. What is different is the ticket purchaser chooses which basket or bucket they want to put their raffle ticket(s) in for drawings. Jim explained this should improve the speed of the prize drawing and cut our need for so many single item prizes.

Jim thanked members for the prizes donated at this time and asked others to go to businesses for additional donations. Names of businesses donating in the past were read to those present.

Hosts: Thank you to Flo and Glenn Paget for hosting this April meeting. Our May host is Jackie Hunter.

For good of the Order: A clarification was requested on Volunteer Hour reporting. Can volunteer hours on private land be counted toward Chapter recorded Volunteer Hours?

The answer is yes, if the land being worked on is being used by the public.

Norma Wright motioned the meeting be adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by; Carolyn Stella, Secretary