

LCC BCHW Minutes
General Membership Meeting
Onalaska Fire Hall
May 6, 2021

Call to Order: President Tony Karniss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Selena Revel, Onalaska and Dana Morgan, Winlock introduced themselves to the group as first time attendees. Marianne Finrow introduced her Sister Arlene Middleton. Tony spoke to the Corvid separation and mask rules for the in-person meeting. He thanked Kathy Kassel for the tour of the new fire hall facility.

Minutes: The April 7, 2021 minutes were approved after a motion for a date correction from April 21st to April 28th was made by Jim Thode.

Grants: Deb Wesselius stated RCO stands for Recreation and Conservation Office. Weed Free Hay purchases are not in the grant.

Treasurer/Membership: Tony stated we currently have 61 members. The treasury report was also given in Lynda's absence by Tony Karniss.

Trail Bosses:

Slim Mardock reported we are expanding and rocking the Burnt Ridge parking lot. Please don't use the lot until you hear it has re-opened to all. The remaining gravel arrives on 5/18/2021. Work parties will be held at Burnt Ridge on 5/12 (Tony) and **May/18 (Leonard)**. On the 5/18 date we will need walkers with loppers as well as riders with loppers, nippers, saws. Small equipment will be available for your use.

National Trails Day: It is **June 5th** we do not believe the planned walk in work party 7A , PCT, RTP Car camp trail head will be snow free by that date. Pending –Contact is Bill Hawley

Leonard Wright read Bill Hawley's report in his absence on a **June 11- 13 2021** a walk-in work party. People will camp at Walupt Lake if snow levels allow. Brushers, and sawyers, will be needed.

A LCC- BCHW Regional work party will be held out of Keenes HC **July 8 – 11/2021**. This is at the same time others in Washington will be having regional work parties. Please check the BCHW web-site. The Keenes LCC small group, appointed at the April meeting, of Tony Carolyn Stella and Norma Wright have secured a cook (Rebecca Brooke) and kitchen equipment and made telephone calls to all members asking for donations for a "Garage Sale" fundraiser.

Activities: Memorial Day Ride? Any members interested in a group ride on this day? Contact Carolyn

Volunteer Hours: Bobbie Mc Timmons presented BCHW volunteer hour awards/pins to Tony Karniss 5,072 hours, for 2011 to 2020. Leonard Wright 2, 635.5 hours for 1995 – 2020 and Sherri Wright for 2,717 hours 1995 – 2020.

Bobbie reminded everyone to turn in their hours and that you may choose to use your smart phone and you may use a blank form available, or contact her mctimrm@msn.com

Director's presentation: Tom Conner presented a proposal developed by four BCHW people. The plan is called BCHW Re-imagined and the members are called a Working Group. The plan is a re-organization of the entire state organization. The proposal reduces positions within BCHW at the local Chapter and State level. It creates, one state treasurer, regional directors and leaves it open for other suggestions from the membership. Please see the posting sent out with this meeting's agenda and or contact Tom Conner for more information. Please plan to submit your comments at June 3 LCC meeting or by June 18th to Tom tkranch@toleotel.com. He will attend a BCHW meeting with your comments the next day. Questions from the floor included: Who does the communication work with the Forest Service people on behalf of a chapter? How will the treasury be handled? How quickly can volunteer hour be handled or reimbursements to the chapter or individual members happen?

Other business:

Members were asked to check their home and cell numbers on the membership list.

Members were asked to pass around a letter of support Tony Karniss had written. To Nikia Hernandez, District Ranger, U.S. Forest Service. The letter requested a donation of old growth fir logs hazard trees on behalf of LCC for wood projects.

Adjournment: 8:30 p.m.