

06 LCC BCHW minutes 2021 file

General Membership Meeting
Onalaska Fire Hall
June 3, 2021

Call to Order: President Tony Karniss called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. There were 15 members present. It was moved to accept the minutes of the May 6th Chapter meeting as published. Motion by Jim Thode and second by Norma Wright. Passed.

Grants: Moved to approve up to \$2500.00 from the treasury to reimburse volunteers for expenses incurred during RTP projects authorized by Chapter. Motion by Norma Wright, Seconded by Marijo Roseth. Discussion afterward explained final payment details and working through Chapter BCHW reimbursements will be presented to the Chapter when available.

Jim Thode reported the In-Reach (safety communication) was activated and used during the Packwood Work party on June 2nd. Jim will submit a bill later for the In Reach service to Chapter Grants person.

Director: Tom Conner received a personal \$100.00 Check from St. Helens Chapter member Ken Evans. It is a gift to the chapter in appreciation for work by Tony Karniss.

Tom shared a reminder that the BCHW Restructuring Group will ask for our Chapter input at a June 19 Board meeting. Tom wishes to know what our exact input will be. A discussion followed on centralized treasury held by BCHW. Linda Holloway LCC treasurer, shared the Chapter Treasurers had discussed the restructuring of accounting on a Zoom call and decided they did not have enough information.

A motion was made by Jim Thode and seconded by Sherri Wright. The motion "to direct the Chapter Director to maintain a non-committed position on the proposed BCHW 'Restructuring Proposal A' concerning centralized accounting until future details are solidified."

A discussion followed on proposed regional directors. The LCC shared concern was: How would this Chapter conduct communications with the USFS Cowlitz personnel without a Director position?

A second motion was made by Jim Thode and seconded by Norma Wright "to direct the Chapter Director to vote "No" on the proposed BCHW "Restructuring Proposal A" concerning reduce the size of Board of Directors to six or seven Regional Directors".

Treasurer: Lynda reported the current Chapter treasury balance and made comments on the Burnt Ridge trail and parking lot expenses.

Trail Bosses: Leonard Wright reported Bridge #1 at Burnt Ridge was replaced and the excavator work completed. The group thanked Marsha and Don O'Neil for the donation of planks. They also thanked Tony Karniss and helpers for the 3 – 4 miles of excavator work on the trail.

Tony Karniss reported Packwood Lake trail tree removal and bridge re-decking was completed as of 1:30 p.m. yesterday. He thanked those present for their hard work and recognized the assistance of the Southwest Motorcycle Club.

Gary Wright, chapter member did some trail reconnaissance on cleared trails in the Gifford. He stated the 7A and B trails out of Cody need some tread work. There is still snow on the ground in places.

Tony Karniss reminded members who wish to have food provided to them at Keenes July 8 – 11 work party to register at the www.BCHW.org website. ASAP.

Lewis County BCHW on-line auction is happening now through June 20. Get your bids in at www.BCHW.org

Tony reported trail boss Bill Hawley is injured and has cancelled his car camp/walk-in work parties as listed on the Chapter Calendar.

Committees: After a discussion on lack of volunteers before the Keenes event and a newly suggested option, the Garage Sale location and dates were changed. It was Moved by Sherri Wright and seconded by Jim Thode. The motion reads: Moved the chapter postpone the Garage Sale until August. Tony said the donations already received are secured.

Membership: Lynda reported we have one new member since last months' report.

Volunteer Hours: The 2021 second quarter hours are due now, please get your hours into Bobbie McTimmons mctimm@msn.com

New Business: Norma Wright clarified that Anna and Bill Neal (425 737 7407) will provide the necessary tables for July Keenes meals.

Tom Conner motioned the meeting be adjourned. 8:30 p.m.

Submitted by; Carolyn Stella, Secretary