

WSHC Meeting on October 4, 2008 at Popple Ridge Horse Trails

Called to order by Sharon at 11:00 AM. 14 people in attendance.

Sharon thanked everyone for coming and announced she has a new phone # 906-828-3005.

Emily read the minutes. Daryl made a motion to accept, Alan 2nd.

Old Business:

Sharon announced that council is still paying for teleconference calls.

Sharon also, reported on Equi-fest, was a small festival with 4-H demonstrations.

Pat P reported Northern Saddle Club's Poker run; had some rain, but had a very good turn out and a lot of fun, they deep fried turkey and someone played guitar and they sang around the camp fire. Beth had a lot of neat games and prizes.

North loop used for ATV's at Hall's Creek: Our phone calls and e-mails have helped with north loop situation. Sharon said we should continue to report to Pat Smith about the trails, to ensure them. Pat P plans to join the ATV club, so we have more input.

No update on stickers with Em and Heidi.

Carmen reported on RRR's Lily Ride; had nice weekend with about 180 riders. Stated RRR does the porta potty and collects the fees for camping and horses, the Lily Sno-birds Club does most of the work. Is always the weekend after Labor Day.

New Business:

Sharon announced that there will be a summit meeting tentatively on Nov. 15, 08, from 10-2 for all officers. Travel expenses will be paid for by council. We need to start gathering our questions and get them to council to organize for meeting.

Carmen suggested going to local saddle clubs to recruit member for council. Sharon will get guide lines from council to promote our district club. Carmen will put information on power point for promotional purposes.

Elections: Need nominations 45 days before annual meeting. We decided we should do immediately, so we have new officers in place for training session in Nov.

President: Sharon Petraska, Emily nominated, Daryl 2nd.

Vice President: Carmen Grosskurth, Alan nominated, Pam G. 2nd.

Secretary: Emily Doucette, Carmen nominated, Bonnie 2nd.

Board of Directors: 1yr term: Alan Bird, Alice nominated, All 2nd.

Discussed term limits on officers: No term limit now. Tim suggested we need some, will bring up at summit meeting.

Tim also suggested having annual meeting minutes put on web page. Alan will talk to Monica, the web administrator about this.

Sharon asked if anyone would be interested in taking on the job of collecting info, pictures, recipes, etc. For WSHC District 2 website and newsletter. Alan nominated Janet, Em 2nd.

Alice read a cute poem about ATV and horse on trails and an article on a good paying job, point was to buy USA made products.

Alan had contacted Rhino Markers, a company that makes trail markers, will have samples soon, but did have brochure to pass around. Discussed colors and ideas for use.

Stated that Machickanee Trails use them, they are put directly into ground; no posts needed and are durable. He will talk to Karen Kroll and Dan Catherman and pass on literature. Carmen suggested WSHC may want to buy in bulk and then distribute to districts, to save on costs.

Carmen asked if Tippler Trails were marked, Pat P. Stated that we do not have permission to do so at this time, but Hall's Creek trails are marked.

Sharon and Alice suggested doing a horse camping seminar in the spring; Alan & Alice volunteered to work on agenda.

Council is also trying to promote horse rescue, Sharon will work on this for spring 2009.

Bonnie suggested we do a poker run for our district to raise funds. Bonnie will check with RRR for insurance and Tim ask if WSHC had insurance for such events, will put on agenda for summit meeting.

Next Meeting set for Dec 7, 08, possibly in Crandon area, which Sharon will check on place. Will do Christmas Party with gift exchange. Gifts should cost between \$20.00 to \$25.00 and be horse related.

Alan made a motion to adjourn, Pat D. 2nd at 12:25.