

**WHC DISTRICT 5 MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2011  
KWIK TRIP HEART PLATTER RESTAURANT  
TOMAH, WISCONSIN**

The November meeting of District 5 of the Wisconsin Horse Council was held at the Kwik Trip Hearty Platter Restaurant in Tomah on Wednesday evening, November 9, 2011.

Members Present: Lorraine Ruck, Don and Donna DeWitt, Joe Parr, Gary & Donna Peterson, Mike and Patty McGowan and Pat Jenkins

President Mike McGowan called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Lorraine Ruck turned in her bill in the amount of \$216.59 for her attendance at the Coalition of State Horse Councils. She reported that there were eight plus states represented from North Carolina to California and points in between.

Secretary's Report: Don DeWitt made a motion to approve the October minutes and Lorraine Ruck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Competitive Trail Competition: Don DeWitt will go to Wild Cat and see Lenore regarding this.

Unwanted Horses – Mike reported that the WHC has taken a stand on this issue and has put together an official statement regarding their stand. Mike presented Draft #101911 of the Wisconsin Equine Feed Bank Program. This is a program for individual horse owners who are having a rough time. There are still lots of rough spots to be ironed out. Each district may have to have a representative and then who is going to feed the horses while owners are dealing with the red tape involved and is the district representative going to be reimbursed for mileage and expenses incurred while representing the district?

Lorraine Ruck made a motion that we support having a District 5 representative and Joe Parr seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Horses 101: Don DeWitt reported that each advertisement block would be \$10. He also reported that Three Bears had us penciled in for 03/31/2012.

Pat Jenkins stated that after wracking her brain of people she knows from various groups, acquaintances, etc. that she did not feel that she knew of one person that would pay to attend something of this sort and especially just a few weeks prior to Horse Fair where such things are free. Much discussion followed Pat's statement. Lorraine Ruck made a motion to table the Horses 101 indefinitely and Pat Jenkins seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mike McGowan will contact Three Bears to get us erased off of their calendar.

Kwik Trip Fund Raiser – Lorraine Ruck was going to check with Lee regarding District 5 obtaining these cards through The Foundation. In order to obtain them, the organizations have to be eligible for “5013C Status”. The Wisconsin Horse Council does not qualify, however The Foundations does.

NEW BUSINESS:

Porta John at Wild Cat: Pat Jenkins made a motion that we fund the porta john at Wild Cat for another year. Donna DeWitt seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Large Animal Rescue – Lorraine Ruck reported that Margo/Howard Ketover are entertaining the possibility of holding another Large Animal Rescue Program in the Baraboo area. There is a lot of interest in that area.

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, January 9, 2012 – Mauston Kwik Trip Hearty Platter – 6:30 p.m.

Don DeWitt made a motion to adjourn at 8:35 p.m. and Lorraine Ruck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Jenkins  
Secretary  
WHC – District 5