

Big Hill BCHKS meeting

November 1, 2022, 7pm

United Methodist Church, Cherryvale, KS

Bill Racy, interim Vice President, called the meeting to order at 7pm. A sign in sheet was present for member sign in. Bobbi Barton, interim President, was contacted via speaker phone and proceeded to lead the meeting.

The July 12, 2022, meeting minutes were presented. A motion was made and seconded for approval of these minutes. All members voted in favor of approval.

Old business:

1. The state BCHKS committee has approved our BHBCHKS chapter by-laws.
2. Discussion was held about opening the BHBCHKS chapter bank account. Bill Racy stated that the Big Hill Trail Riders will donate \$50 from their funds to open this account. John Scammey and/or Bill Racy will proceed with opening this account at Community National Bank. Bobbie Barton, Bill Racy, and John Scammey are to be the authorized users on this account. They will then apply for nonprofit 501(c)(3) status.

New business:

1. Guest Christy Hillyard was introduced and inquired about becoming a member. Jennifer will get her contact information and mail her a membership form.
2. Bill and John spoke about the many projects/updates/improvements happening. They spent four days mowing and spraying weeds along the trails. They stated that the trails are in excellent shape and getting a lot of use. Hitching rails and mounting blocks have been added to the rest area near Chuck's campground. Materials were donated by Sondra and Joe Harris. John stated that the Corp will be placing a picnic table in this area soon and will be replacing the tables at the Timber Hill rest area as well. The Corp added a wash rack to the Cherryvale campground. John stated that Corp manager, Chris Hammerschmidt, is pushing to add electric sites to the Cherryvale campground in the future. Chris stated that when reserving these sites, the description will state that campers must be camping with horses in order to stay in this area. John stated that riders from the Crag-O-Lea area in Pineville, MO will be coming to Big Hill to ride with him to see the improvements made and get ideas for their campground. John stated that he is inquiring about getting some additional mounting steps donated. All work hours will

be turned in to Donna Marotta. It was stated that Chris would like our year to date work hours and he will submit them to the Corp.

3. Discussion was held for 2023 officers. A motion was made and seconded that the interim officers become permanent 2023 officers. All members voted in favor of this motion.
4. It was discussed to send out an email reminder (that includes a membership form) that membership dues will be due in January. John stated that he would take care of this.
5. Bobbie stated that she has asked for a current membership list from BCHKS but has not received it yet.
6. Equifest of KS is March 16-19, 2023 in Salina, KS.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2023, at 7pm - United Methodist Church in Cherryvale, KS.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32pm (motion made, seconded, all in favor).

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer Carnahan, BHBCHKS Secretary