

Minutes of 1st Quarter Meeting, 1/8/23

Tall Grass Tap House, Manhattan, KS

In attendance:

Patti Dollarhide
Shari Dodds
Kathy Gasser
Kim Piper
Randy Sievers
Susan & Martin Rose
Trish Cleveland
Bob & Pattie Stalder

Meeting called to order by Pattie Stalder, President at 11:35 a.m.

Minutes from Sept. meeting not available so Pattie reviewed last meeting items.

Treasurer's Report: Trish Cleveland gave report and passed out 2022 review showing current balance of \$870.34.

Old Business: 370 hrs. of volunteer work for 2022 and 4148 vehicle miles. Plus \$948 in grant funds received in 2022. This info was shared at a recent meeting with park manager, Levi Gantenbein who expressed his appreciation for the work we do.

Levi is okay with us building a hitching post near the south bathroom but it's not on his project list so we would need to fund it. We reviewed with Levi building freestanding pens to create a horse loop campsite on the south side of the park. We are looking at 12'x12' double pens at each site using Priefert panels. Levi does have funds available and will visit with Sec. Linda Lanterman to see how much can be used for the pens. They would be held together with welded pipe in each corner to prevent them from being stolen. We would also have to build a manure bunk in the horse loop.

New Business: BCHKS annual meeting is in Emporia on Feb. 11 at 11:00 a.m., everyone is invited.

Two new BCHKS chapters have been formed; Chisholm Trail and Big Hill.

A "Fill the Campground" campaign will be held this year at 5 different equestrian campsites. First one is May 5-7 at Milford. Folks were encouraged not to wait long to make reservations. Kyle and Laura Smyth are organizing this event and asked for one volunteer from each chapter. Kathy Gasser volunteered from our chapter.

EquiFest, March 16-19 in Salina at Tony's Pizza Event Center. We will have a BCHKS booth.

National BCHA meeting, April 16-19 in Kalispell, MT. It's the 50th anniversary of BCHKA!

Calendar dates for TCC:

Jan. 30th Sunflower State Trails Appreciation Day at the state capitol from 8:30 to 2:30.

First Tuesday rides.

Benefit ride to be held on June 3rd at Randolph. Motion made by Kathy Gasser, seconded by Kim Piper, motion passed

Membership renewal forms were passed out. We have four new members as of the meeting date: Welcome to Martin and Susan Rose, Randy Sievers and Kim Piper!

Election of Officers: Patti Dollarhide moved to renew same slate of existing officers, Kathy Gasser seconded; motion passed. Current officers will serve one more two year term.

Patti Dollarhide gave an update on Opie Huddleston who is in Lighthouse Memory Care Center in Marysville. She has one of her horses on site!

Shari Dodds moved to adjourn, Kathy Gasser seconded, motion passed.