

Northern Saddle Club General Meeting

Hudson Bay Lodge

April 6, 2011

Present; Igor Steciw, Kate Hepburn, Ali Shervill, Nicole Ewald, Kathleen O'Donnell, Geri Brown, Anika Gattiker, Ron brown, Gina Dehoog-Illes, Erin Rowsell, Pat Barriage, Holly Pottinger, Michelle, Gail Pasalouko, Erica Harris.

Called to Order: 7:10

Previous Minutes; Error in previous minutes – #2 in “correspondence” Erin will send not has sent. Motioned by Erin to accept previous minutes as read, 2nd by Anika, AIF, carried.

Treasurer's Report presented.

Correspondence;

1. The updated functioning rules, as well as the year end financials has gone to the lawyers.

2. Town of Smithers (T.O.S.) has approved the following; The Glenn Stewart Clinic, 4-H lessons, the 3 in 1 Breed Show, and the clean shavings bin.

3. The fall Fair Management Board approved the clean shavings bin as well as the rental agreement.

4. 4-H is joining the NSC. Welcome 4-H!

5. The T.O.S. allocated \$25000 to the grounds.

6. A letter to the T.O.S. will be prepared asking that just the Music festival building be removed from NSC's section of the grounds, as well as inquiring about the boundary line with barn D and the Indoor arena.

Old Business;

1. Clean Shavings Bin; Gus Porrier submitted a quote for the construction of the clean shavings bin as follows – cement pad 8"x8' concrete with footing, rebar, etc. Motioned by Gina to reply to Gus's quote with thanks and postpone the matter, 2nd by Pat, AIF, carried. Funding for the clean shavings bin – \$1000 from the Bulkley Valley

Foundation and will proceed with the funding application from the Zone grants. Also should apply to Enbridge for funding.

2. Gina is going to form a committee to deal with/repair the damage done the barn from the manure bins cement blocks.

3. Day stalls; NSC will keep the day stalls and Gina will make a plan for setting up rules and signage.

4. Stall Fees \$10 per day, \$30 per week.

5. Gina is opposed to higher stall fees and would like to bring it to a vote. 1 yea, 14 nay, motion denied.

6. HCBC insurance is mandatory because our insurance is contingent on our members having HCBC.

7. NSC received a folder of info from the Make a Wish Foundation. It is in Nicole's possession now.

New Business;

1. Work B is on May 1st at 10:00am. If you have any of the tools listed below please bring them! Wire brushes, paint scrapers, rakes, wheelbarrows, spades, paint brushes/rollers/trays. We are going to be focusing on rock picking, painting, stall repair and humps on the arenas.

2. Motioned by Erin to spend up to \$200 for latches for the stalls.

3. Kathleen to google/research types of lightweight arena gates - no higher than 4'.

4. Discussion about the indoor/outdoor arenas - Please remember to be courteous to other riders and share/take turns with the sometimes limited space.

5. NSC should be included in the Directors for the BVAA (fall fair).

6. Fun Days; Committee members- Nicole Ewald, Ali Shervill, Kate Hepburn, Cindy Jefferys, Pat Barriage. There will be a schooling show during the morning and gymkhana in the afternoon. There will be 4 classes per show as well as 1 special class. The cost is \$5 per member and \$7.50 for non members.

The schooling show and gymkhana rules are posted on NSC's website. There will be a concession on May 28. The dates for the Fun Days are as follows; May 28, June 26, July 30, Sept 24.

7. There is also going to be a "Jackpot Gymkhana" on July 31. It is going to be done in 3D format. Start time is 11am

8. The Equine Trade Show on May 28 at the Fair Grounds will not be having an auction.

9. Pat renewed the website's domain name, we are good to go until March 11 2013.

10. The grounds rental form is going to be done on a case by case basis.

11. Motioned by Erin to accept Glenn Stewart's rental app., 2nd by Holly, AIF, carried.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:05pm