

# Minutes of the NSC Meeting, March 4th, 2015

## Hudson Bay Lodge, Smithers

Present: : Gail Pasaluko, Ron Brown, Leah Germain, Geri Brown, John Brown, Lesley Flint, Lillian Kooij, Gina DeHoog, Anika Gattiker

Called to order: 7.10pm

Additions to Agenda: Gina's free membership

Approval of minutes: Minutes of last meeting were read. M/S Leah + Gail, AIF.

Treasurer's Report. The treasurer's report was presented by Geri. M/S Gina/Lesley, AIF

Correspondence:

- Erin Rowsell's email letter of resignation as director and treasurer, dd. Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> regarding liability concerns with proposed covered round pen.

New Dates:

- May 24<sup>th</sup> Spring Draft Horse Pull (rodeo arena)
- ~~June 8<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup>~~ Mine Rescue (will be held at Heritage Park)
- June 12<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> Kathy Stanley-driving (Lesley Flint)
- Sep. 19<sup>th</sup> + 20<sup>th</sup> NSC Fall Schooling Show (Geri B. and Jill O'N.)
- Sep. 25<sup>th</sup>-27<sup>th</sup> Kathy Stanley-driving (Lesley Flint)
- Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> NSC Poker ride

Old Business:

- Covered round pen: we discussed if it would really solve our problem of dealing with the round pen in the indoor arena since the covered round pen might not be usable due to snow blowing in. Also discussed was the issue that the directors might be liable if the vinyl cover did collapse and who would be in charge of locking the round pen to prevent use if the snow load was too heavy. It was decided to pursue other priorities like repairing the barns or looking into extending or closing the indoor arena.

- Gail motioned not to pursue the existing vinyl covered round pen proposal, Anika 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7 in favor of not pursuing it/1 abstained.
- The schedule for putting up and taking down the round pen in the indoor arena will be continued until winter is over. First half of the month, no round pen, second half of the month, round pen up.
- Bingo money: Geri will contact Downie regarding prepayment to Vihar of \$2,462.43 by March 31<sup>st</sup> and discuss how main arena will be redone.
- Roof repair: no quote yet from Erin, Geri will contact another roofer for a quote.
- 3 in 1 Breed Show request: They were informed that they would get 50% off on rental fees, not including stabling or equipment.
- Trade Show: May 1<sup>st</sup>+2<sup>nd</sup>. Leah motions that NSC invests in attending the Trade Show this year, Ron 2<sup>nds</sup>, 7 in favor/1 opposed. Lesley will check if HCBC wants to split costs of the booth with NSC and BVX.
- Bursaries: Gina motions to go with Erin's suggestion of Dec. 2014 that instead of accepting applications every year for the bursaries, the NSC donation to BVX will increase by \$200 and that two special awards will be designated by the Light Horse Committee for \$100 each. Leah 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- Adult Horse Camp: July 24<sup>th</sup>-26<sup>th</sup>, is a go.
- Midsummer Form: was filled out and signed by Norma Stokes, the rental fee will be waived. There will be a walkabout before and after to assess damage.
- Renewal of NSC lease: Geri will send another letter to TOS informing them that we want to renew the license (lease) in September as per original agreement. The NSC is against the proposed new license by the midsummer group (BVMF?) due to lack of information on their part.

#### New Business:

- Gina's membership: As discussed last December, Gina will receive a free 2015 membership as a thank you for all the harrowing and in lieu of paying for gas expenses.
- HBL jump: Leah motioned to make a free Hudson Bay Lodge jump as a thank you for the use of their meeting room for all these years. Ron 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- New Treasurer: Some of us suggested Erin be asked to reconsider her resignation, since the issue of the director liability regarding the covered round pen was resolved. Geri has all the books in the meantime. Otherwise Lillian Kooij would consider being treasurer and Tina Hackle will be approached.
- Leah motioned to appoint Lillian Kooij as director at large. Gail 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- Thank you to Erin: tabled until resignation is final.

- John Noonan workshop: The BVAIA and the BV Credit Union are offering Seminar in Board Governance, Robert's Rules of Order & Conducting Effective Meetings with JOHN F. NOONAN, on Friday, April 17th, 5 pm - 9.30 pm in the Ferguson Room of the Hudson Bay Lodge
- A big thank you to John, Gina and Downie for all the grooming last year. John figures we need new teeth on the groomer. Gina motions that John looks into this and spends up to \$500. Leah 2<sup>nd</sup>, AIF.
- Year end awards: tabled but should be discussed before schooling show in May
- Indoor arena extension: Leah mentioned that it has been brought up at a BVAIA meeting and was well received. TOS could source loans for upgrades at the fairgrounds but they have to be paid back. Not a good solution. Leah will find out if the arena can be extended due to the permit requirements, river frontage, etc. and bring the information to the next meeting.
- Barns upgrading: tabled, please bring ideas to next meeting

Meeting adjourned: 9 pm

Next meeting: April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015, 7pm