

GOLD COUNTRY TRAILS COUNCIL, INC.☐☐
 Board of Directors Minutes
 Tuesday, June 6, 2017 7 PM☐☐
 Nevada County Horsemen's Clubhouse☐☐
 10600 Bubbling Wells Road☐☐
 Grass Valley, CA.

Officers

President Laura Duncan
 Vice President Melissa Ribley
 Secretary Mary Lundin
 Treasurer Teri Personeni☐☐
 Past President Karen Schwartz, absent

Board Members:

Fran Cole, absent☐☐
 Helen Crawford
 Charles Green

FS Liaison Willie Brusin and member Sue Brusin, Hoot Trail Liaison Cathy Scott, member Worth Lundin attending.

A. Call to Order and Welcome

President Laura Duncan called meeting to order at 7:10 P.M.

B. Changes or additions to agenda

Item G5 moved to July agenda. Also Helen Crawford donated the \$30 fee paid for club participation in the Celebration of Trails event where she represented GCTC. A new member, Kathy Doty, joined at the event and assisted Helen with booth set up. Also of interest at the Celebration of Trails event was that Sierra Trailblazers asked if they could help on GCTC trail workdays.

C. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion made by Teri and seconded by Helen that May minutes be approved as submitted. Motion carried.

D. Approval of Treasurer's Report

Teri stated the current bank balance to be \$35,042.89. A written report was not submitted. Motion was made by Mary Lundin and seconded by Charles that report be approved as stated. Motion carried.

E. Forest Service Report-Willie Brusin

1. The new map for the Lone Grave area has not been completed yet by the North Pacific Regional office. The Cable (Hoot) trail signs provided by TNF have been installed by the Brusins'. Two-way direction signs were purchased by Cathy Scott but have not yet been installed.
2. TNF will pull the stumps on the relocated portion of the Dascombe to Harmony trails that were recently completed at a GCTC workday.
3. The Dascombe Trail rough reroute under the power lines has been completed by Orion Kroeger of BONC. A workday needs to be scheduled to finish the tread work. GCTC and BONC each paid \$1000 toward the cost of the machine used for the Hoot trail construction and Dascombe trail reroute construction.
4. The tractor work on the Hwy. Michael Vierra did 20 Skillman/Overlook/and GCET driveway and parking areas, as David Higbee was not available. This included spreading gravel provided by both GCTC and the Forest Service as stated in previous reports by Willie.
5. The Gold Country Equestrian Trailhead kiosk has been finished by Don Soto and installed by Willie, Irv and Tom.
6. The Skillman Campground workday has been completed.

7. TNF crews and Woods Riders Motorcycle Club have removed fallen trees on the multi-use trails behind Skillman. TNF crews will remove downed trees above Skillman using motorcycles. Rod Garcia, Paul Hart's assistant, and his crew removed trees and relocated the Pioneer Trail at the washout. GCTC will need to schedule a workday to put in the trail pad.

8. Melissa will report on the Skillman Campground sign.

F. Old Business

1. Review financial audit- Cathy Scott

Cathy Scott and Mary Lundin met with Treasurer Teri Personeni on April 27th to review the club's financial transactions since the last audit. The report should be completed by the next board meeting.

2. Hoot (Cable) Trail

The FS has asked GCTC to appoint a Trail Liaison to monitor trail use and condition of this newly completed trail, to be used by FS personnel to schedule their work. Cathy Scott has accepted this position, and along with three other people, walked the trail on 5/27/17 to create an initial survey. This completed survey was submitted to the TNF on 5/30/17. A printout of the survey, along with a log of user comments and FS contact, is attached to the printed minutes of this Board meeting. The Forest Service asked that GCTC and BONC collaborate on solutions to improve user confidence that the trail is safe for hikers, bicyclists, and horses to share.

Orion Kroeger of BONC was invited to attend the board meeting to share his thoughts on the finished trail and it's use. Orion said that he built the trail to Forest Service specifications. He said that he is open to brush clearing to increase line of sight and adding signage. Willie and Orion will get together to set a date.

3. Poker Ride Update-Jeff Foltz

Preliminary accounting shows \$5564 grossed and \$4990.62 net. Poker chair Jeff Foltz will present a full report at the July meeting.

4. Tack Swap

Linda Lanzoni is coordinating tack swap for July 8th at Nevada County Horsemen's. Members can bring horses to try on saddles or tack at the event.

5. Little Lasier Meadow Camp/Work/Ride-Mary Johnson

An update will be sent by email from Mary Johnson via Jaede.

6. Skillman Horse Camp Sign-Melissa Ribley

Cecelia of the FS informed Melissa that the new sign would not say "Horse Camp" as they don't want to discourage use by non-horse campers. Teri made a motion to rescind the previous offer of paying for the sign. Helen seconded and motion passed.

G. New Business

1. Member courtesy during meetings

A complaint about talking during the business meeting makes it hard for people to hear. Teri suggested that a Sargent-At-Arms be appointed who would ask individuals to refrain from talking when someone else has the floor. Board members will serve in this position.

2. Recognition of trail workers at year end

Discussion was held and agreed that it would be nice to recognize by name the members who have worked on the trails during that year, along with our trail workday coordinator.

3. Sound in the meeting hall

There have been complaints about sound in the meeting room. Speakers need to use the microphone.

4. Speaker equipment

The speaker equipment is heavy and hard to transport. Board will monitor future use and may consider making change to lighter equipment.

5. Consideration of creating more trail liaison positions

Move to July agenda

6. Schedule Pioneer Trail workday

Work on the Upper Pioneer Trail is scheduled for July 22nd.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:09 P.M.
Submitted by Mary Lundin, Secretary