

FINAL  
Special Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
GOLD COUNTRY TRAILS COUNCIL, INC.  
Tuesday, April 6, 2021, 7:00 p.m.  
Teleconference - Poker Ride

**Officers:**

President: Bernie Molloy - Present  
Vice President: Jamie Canon - Present  
Secretary: Andi Duncan - Present  
Treasurer: Cathy Scott  
Past President: Helen Harvey

**Board Members**

Helen Crawford McDermott - Present  
Karen Hayden  
Greg Sherr  
**General Members:**  
Mary Johnson, FS Liaison - Present  
Debbie Molloy - Present

The meeting began at 7:00 p.m. but was called to order at 7:25 p.m. on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 when we had a quorum. The BOD met via teleconference to discuss both the proposed April 17 Lone Grave Trail Workday and the upcoming Poker Ride.

**A. Lone Grave Trail Workday** - Due to new Covid Guidelines effective April 15, GCTC will be able to resume trail work. Per the GCTC Calendar April 17 is the scheduled day with a rain date of April 25 or 26. Concern was expressed as to GCTC's ability to organize the workday as early as the 17th and a suggestion was made to move the workday to April 24. Debbie Molloy, camp chef, is only available on the 17th. A motion was made by Jamie Canon to keep the workday per the calendar. The motion was seconded by Andi Duncan. All in attendance voted and the motion was passed. Bernie Molloy will send out an email to the membership notifying them that the workday is on as originally scheduled. Bernie is the RSVP person for this workday. Barbara Simmons will record volunteer hours.

**B. Poker Ride** -.Under the current County Covid Guidelines the June 5 Poker Ride is possible. The campground is booked and per the Forest Service the permit depends on County restrictions. The Forest Service has asked that we hold off on submitting the permit request.

The Poker Ride is a fundraiser for the club, gets people out on the trails, and shows the club is still active and working towards its Mission. Considering time constraints and changeable Covid Guidelines, Mary Johnson put a lot of thought into how to simplify this event so that it can happen this year.

To achieve the goals and keep it simple she has proposed the following:

1. Clear trails and clean campgrounds. Skillman workday is May 19.
2. On-line sign up for the ride and camping as usual. However, we may need to have a limit to the number of participants.
3. Mark the trails, facilitate parking, camping, and sign in as usual.
4. Limit the number of prizes to cut down on asking for donations and the work needed to get them ready. Ten prizes (10) for example:
  - a. Weekend camping and guided ride at Clear Creek Preserve (offered by Helen McDermott)

- b. Beautiful hand sewn quilt by Pat Huntsinger
  - c. \$100 (or 2 \$50) cash prizes from GCTC
  - d. Wirly-gigs made by Barry Vacarro
  - e. Assorted gift baskets (made by GCTC members)
  - f. Others donations
5. Food - We can do Box Lunches or serve something like lasagna or chili (both vegetarian), garlic bread, coleslaw, green salad, desert (no potluck). Both lasagna and chili can be made in advance and frozen. Baked potatoes as well as tri-tip are a possibility. This keeps the end of the ride meal spaced.
  6. Instead of using poker hands, keep the theme by using poker chips. Give each participant 2 poker chips at sign in with a number on them. One chip is deposited into a barrel right then for the prize drawing to be held later. At the end of the ride 10 chips are drawn and those are the winners.
  7. Stations - keep them. They are good for greeting riders and for safety. Also, they make the route more social and personal.
  8. Other participant awards could be a buff, or a carrot for your horse handed out at the stations along the way. Other ideas include participant photos available on a website Photos made (Cal McKittrick).

Andi Duncan made a motion to approve the modified Poker Ride. Jamie Canon seconded the motion. The motion passed. Bernie Molloy will notify members that the ride is on.

**Meeting adjourned at 7:56 p.m.**

***Submitted by Andi Duncan***