

North Country Horsemen

Meeting Minutes

January 27, 2021

I. Call to order

President Kristi Westlund called to order a meeting for the North Country Horsemen Saddle Club on January 27, 2021 at the American Legion in Middle River, MN.

II. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Secretary's report was provided by Shirley Horien. Kristi Westlund motioned to approve, Tanya Peterson seconded it. Motion carried.

III. Treasurer's Report by Mardy Anderson:

- a) General Account: \$ 170.06
- b) Trails To Treatments Grant Account: \$62422.09

IV. Old Business (Action Items):

- Establish rules for Committee Chairs and require updates at/for monthly meetings – Committee Chairs – Kristi Westlund will reach out to Committee Chairs prior to monthly meetings for updates.
- Add Article of Corporation/By Laws to Webpage – **Shirley Horien/Sue Helm**
- Order Engraved Arena Signs – **Kristi Westlund**
- Order NCH Suggested Expenditures – **See Arena NCH Suggested Expenditures Below**

V. Committee Updates

- a) **Trails To Treatments Committee (Co-Chairs: Mardy Anderson and Stacy Bierman)** – As of January 22 there have been \$1,087 grants approved. Next TTT meeting will be Wednesday, February 3, 2021. There are TTT Coolers and orange t-shirts at Shirley Horien's for future benefits/fundraisers.
- b) **Arena Committee (Co-Chairs: Mardy Anderson and Shannon Peterson)** – Suggested expenditures were discussed. Kristi Westlund will order items with the previously purchased \$500 Amazon Gift Card as noted below. Kristi will also order the signs for the arena.

NCH Suggested Expenditures:

Picnic tables 4ea x \$199.99 = \$799.96 (Tractor Supply) – Will review in the spring.

Umbrella's 6ea x \$41.9 = \$251.94 plus tax (Amazon) – Will review in the spring.

Poly Rope 2ea x \$34.49 = \$68.98 plus tax (Amazon) – Kristi Westlund will purchase.

Flag Pole Holders 2ea x \$11.99 = \$23.98 plus tax (Amazon) – Kristi Westlund will purchase.

Wood & Stain \$50 (Burkel Lumber) – For Bleachers – Sue Helm will purchase

Plumbing \$0 (Shannon has extra supplies)

Gate Latches 2ea x \$19.89 = \$39.78 (state Line Tack) – Kristi Westlund will purchase

Speaker – 2 Horns (Old crow's nest/registration building) – Sue Helm has purchased

Banner – Sue Helm will check with Nelson Ink

LED Lights – Sue Helm has purchased

Replace Flag – Sue Helm will check with Nelson Ink

Bathrooms – Shannon Peterson will quote/build 2 buildings each containing 2 bathrooms.

Engraved 8 x 10 Signs – Kristi Westlund will order:

1ea Handicap Parking

2ea No Horses Allowed Beyond This Point

5ea Please Close All Gates When Done Using The Arena

4ea All Gaming Props Must Be Returned To The Outside Of Arena By The North Gate!

10ea The NCH & The Ornquist Arena Property Owners Are Not Responsible For Accidents To Person, Riders, Horses or Equipment. Ride At Your Own Risk!

2ea Open Riding For NCH Club Members Only

1ea Become A Member, Info In Mailbox

4ea Do Not Tie Horses To Arena Fence!

Engraved 24 x 18 Sign – Kristi Westlund will order:

4ea Open Riding Available For NCH Members Only – 4

Additional Items:

Broadcaster – Kristi Westlund will purchase

Gate Wheel For South East Entrance – Kristi Westlund will purchase.

- c) **Food/Concessions (Co-Chairs: Kelly Gillund and Roy Ness)** – No update from chair persons. The left over cans of Chili/Cheese are being stored at Shirley Horien's. There are 2 cans of chili with no beans, 1 can of chili with beans and 1 can of cheddar cheese.
- d) **Trail Ride Committee (Co-Chairs: Shannon Peterson)** – The majority of the prizes have been ordered and received. Kristi Westlund emailed the participants winning jackets for their sizes. The Trail Ride Program double hour dates have been finalized and provided to Sue Helm for the schedule. New this year is a Wagon Driving Program. The cost of either Program is \$60 for a family registration and \$40 for a single registration.
- e) **Show/Games Committee (Chairperson: Shirley Horien)** – Yearend awards have been ordered/received. 2021 game show dates have been set for Sundays: May 16th, June 27th and September 26th.
- f) **Clinic Committee (Co-Chairs: Sue Helm and Ronnette Anderson)** – The clinic to be held by Angel was tabled. A Saturday, May 15th date has been set for a Grooming Clinic to be held at the Ornquist Arena. The clinic will be geared for the Lead Line/Small Fry age group and will include Lead Line, grooming, painting and a meal. The Vet Clinic Date will be in April but has not been finalized.
- g) **Media/Marketing Committee (Chairperson: Shirley Horien)** –The Article of Corporation/Bylaws that was previously suggested to be added to the website has not been done yet. Shirley Horien has trained Sue Helm on the website. Sue is having some issues with being able to add attachments to the website. Shirley will meet with Sue to try and solve. Sue will then work on getting the Article of Corporation/Bylaws added.

Other Business:

The Annual Meeting/Awards night has been scheduled for April 24th.

Burger Nights have been reserved for NCH on September 29th and TTT on December 29th.

Sue Helm is working on finalizing the NCH 2021 schedule.

Adjournment – Tanya Peterson motioned to adjourn the meeting, Sue Helm seconded it.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Shirley Horien, NCHSC Secretary.