



Red Flannel Saddle Club General Meeting Minutes

Sunday, April 28, 2024

3:00pm

Red Flannel Saddle Club, Sand Lake



1. Attending Members: Kami DeWitt, Amanda Ives, Laurie Magoon, Tanya Badge, Lori Prince, Marilyn Lomashewich, Alison Fisk (per phone), Allyson Badge, Bryan Badge, Elli Bachar, Alivia Groce
2. Meeting Called to Order at 3:11pm
3. Secretary's Report:
 - Tanya Badge motions to approve, Kami DeWitt seconds, motion carried
4. The Treasurer's Report:
 - The Security Deposit box we had was drilled out due to not paying the bill. Taylor has been in contact with the County Clerk and found a copy of the sale deed from the original land owners in 1974, and the quit claim deeds from the original club representatives in 1992. These quit claim deeds do not list the correct address on them. They have Donna Newman's address on them. However the description of the parcel is correct, so per the clerk's office we don't need to get an updated copy, but it might not be a bad idea to do it anyway.
 - In the process of doing this, Taylor also discovered that we have not been using the correct address on our documents. We list the address as 6272, it's supposed to be 6274 per the county clerk office. Also Donna Newman was still listed as the secondary owner to the grounds. Taylor got that updated so she is now listed. Taylor also got a hard copy record of the parcel number, correct address, and other information about the property. The clerk's office was able to update the address in their system to 6272 so we don't have to change all of our information. It brings you to the same location. With it being updated in their system, it will be easier for any emergency services to find the grounds as well. That's why previously any gps took you to the wrong location.
 - Our 501c3 letter cannot be recovered, but Taylor has a picture of it and we are current with the IRS so the letter is really irrelevant.
 - Our LLC has been paid for and is current as well.
 - Dates for show insurance have been submitted, Taylor has not received anything back from them yet.
 - Marilyn and Jerry are still purchasing all food/mouse traps and such. So let her know if you need anything along those lines.
 - Kami, Marilyn, and Taylor have debit cards.
 - Amanda Ives motions to approve the report with noted documentation, Tanya Badge 2nds, motion carried.
5. Committee Reports
 - Website Update:
 - i. A lot of activity for new memberships has already happened.
 - ii. We will not have paper copies of membership forms. If you need to do a check/cash please bring it to the first show.
 - iii. Positions are updated on the website please take a look at it and if you don't like your picture please send Kami a photo. Amanda should have access to upload the minutes. Bios are needed from anyone who doesn't have one. Kami created a coupon for show chairs for \$25.00 to offset the discount.
 - iv. Member directory looks wonderful on the phone but not so well on the computer.
 - v. Would like to get to where we can advertise for the sponsors in the future.

- vi. Can we get the member who acquired the sponsorship put onto the sponsor location please?
 - o Advertising / Sponsorships:
 - i. Laurie is contacting Millie to get the sponsorship banners to the grounds and to get them up.
 - o Public Relations:
 - i. Amy came to the opening and picked up all her trail equipment she brought in for the trail show.
 - o Show Committees:
 - i. Casual Pleasure: (Taylor & Amanda) -
 - 1. No news - Please put out there something about how the Christmas In July show has taken the place of the Teddy Bear Show because we could never predict how the weather would be.
 - 2. First Show May 18th
 - ii. Red Thing: (Laurie, Lori, & Kami) -
 - 1. May 11th is the first show of the season!
 - a. Might go later due to all the new registrations. Kami to make a QR Code to help out with registrations.
 - 2. Offering to do the Tack Sale that day.
 - 3. Cancel - June 1st is the Jr. E-Team was given that date for the meet, and we would like to reschedule that show due to not having enough participation being there, due to a lot of Jr. Kids show at that series, Laurie, to make a poll with the options: July 13th, October 19th.
 - iii. Speed: (Laurie, Lori, & Kami) -
 - 1. Nothing New - First Show, May12th
 - iv. Christmas In July: (Taylor & Amanda) -
 - 1. Nothing to report
 - v. Ranch Show: (Laurie & Kami) -
 - 1. Nothing New to report.
 - vi. Jr. Board Members -
 - 1. Nothing to report.
 - vii. Jr. Board
 - 1. Casual - Alivia Groce
 - 2. Versatility - Elli Bachar
 - 3. Speed - Allyson Badge
 - 4. Floater - Delaney Keech
6. Grounds Usage -
- o Starting Thursday, May 2nd will be the first use of the grounds by Jr. E-team.
 - o Usage Schedule is:
 - i. Monday - Sand Lake Saddle Slickers
 - ii. Tuesday - MIHA (Candi)
 - iii. Wednesday - Rockford
 - iv. Thursday - Tri County E-Team
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7. Old Business:
- o Judges/Patterns -
 - i. Judges will be providing the showmanship and equitation only. We are using the MIHA patterns where we can, and will be taking patterns from the Kent County Fair 2023

Pattern Book for all other patterns, including WT patterns for reigning/ranch/etc. Taylor will make the trail patterns once she gets a good inventory of equipment.

- Trail Equipment Needed -
 - i. Taylor and Amanda to make a list of needed items and items that need to be repaired.
- Molly's Update -
 - i. Molly's confirmed that we are paid. But it is still not showing up in our bank account. Taylor discovered that the check we used to pay for the buckles online, was used again for another bill (Check #5328). Taylor is working with the bank to try and figure out how to resolve this. We need to give Molly's their money to avoid losing the use of them in the future.

8. New Business

- Quotes from grounds maintenance companies -
 - i. Laurie Magoon met with Cody Proctor on Friday with a start up for mowing. He would use his mower and our weed wackers as needed. \$300-325/mow. 4 ½ - 5 hours per mowing. August, July, September if it is crazy have club members fill in.
 - ii. Natalie Gonzolas reached out to Laurie and offered to bring the riding lawn mower and do some weed wacker using our equipment also, asking for reimbursement for his gas and time (did not give us a price)
 - iii. Billy Magoon quoted us: using our equipment and our gas he would just charge us for his time - \$175-\$200 / 2x a month. Worried about his health and being able to get it done.
 - iv. Laurie Magoon says to reach out to Natalie and ask Marcos (Natalie's husband) to do it and then use Billy as a back-up.
 - 1. Kami DeWitt makes a motion that we give Marco's an option and if he doesn't come then we go with Billy. \$175.00 is offered up to both Marco and Billy. Marco get's 2 chances and if he doesn't make that happen then we go to Billy. Laurie Magoon to reach out.
 - 2. Lori Prince 2nd's motion.
 - v. PA System: 1 person reached out to Laurie and he is willing to come out and take a look to see what all is needed. Will not quote us until he can see what he is dealing with. Asked when the time would work for him. Laurie and Kami will be meeting with him to get a quote from him and him to look at the system.
 - vi. Buildings: Did not hear from anyone as far as getting this taken care of. Billy did offer to do it but has not gotten us a quote for this yet. Power washing the shed, building, bathroom, railings. He reached out to someone asking for ideas on what to quote. Stairs need to be repaired is what we were told but Cody Proctor said that they are fine.
 - vii. Lori Prince talked to her brother about the handrails for getting them repaired. He is going to come out this week and take a look at them. Also will have him look at the roof and the stairs to the bleachers. We would like steel so it matches the new sheds. Also having her brother look at the door for the Speed shed (Speed shed is by the booth, and Trail shed is down by the lower arena)
 - viii. The cookshack roof is shot and needs a new roof! Needs to be torn off and fully repaired...there are waves in the roof. Possible new decking and everything. Speed shed, New door and frame.
 - ix. We decided to table the power washing and repairs until the next meeting in May.
- PO Box for club mail -
 - i. This will make things much easier for anyone who has to deal with sponsorships, bills, judges contracts, etc because everything will be sent to the PO box rather than

someone's home. We wouldn't have to update the address on various forms every year either.

- ii. Kami DeWitt motions that we get the PO Box in Cedar Springs and Tanya Badge 2nds the motion, motion carried
- o Amazon Account for the Club -
 - i. As a club we purchase a lot of things on Amazon (awards, food, supplies) and pay taxes on all of it. For the awards banquet last year we paid \$25 just in taxes on items from Amazon, plus another \$6 just for the new walkie-talkies.
 - ii. A few questions came up
 - 1. Do we still pay prime membership
 - 2. Would we save enough to make it worth it?
 - 3. Is there a discount for being a 501c3 account?
- o Buy a Safe for the grounds for all docs -
 - i. With finding out about the safety deposit box stuff we think it is a good idea for us to have a safe.
 - 1. We need one that can bolt to the floor.
 - 2. Let's get quotes for one that bolts down
 - ii. Sam's club sells a LockSafe brand one for around \$250, or we can order one online that's a little bigger. Taylor is suggesting a max budget of \$400 to ensure we get a water and fire safe one.
- o New Door/Frame for the equipment shed -
 - i. See Section 8, article 7 for Lori Prince's update.
- o Secondary/Longer Door Lock for the lower arena shed -
 - i. Laurie Magoon and Billy Magoon will come out and see what we can do to make it so the doors will stay closed without having to keep something in front of the door. We currently have a blue barrel in front of it.

9. Open Forum:

- o Laurie Magoon reached out to Amanda Johnson about Harry and the new shed we would like. Amanda Johnson is going to reach out to Harry and double check the price to make sure it is still where it was last year.
- o Kami DeWitt will reach out to Dean's to see if they will give us a quote for dirt and packing and everything.
 - i. Deans did an amazing job with our lower arena and it was such an amazing difference with being able to drag the arena.
- o Let's get the staging arena done and possibly do the lower arena in the fall.
- o Sand Box: could we use some of the old posts to frame in a sandbox under the steps.
 - i. Amanda Ives motions to use the extra wood we have on the grounds to make a sandbox under the stairs. Tanya Badge 2nds.
 - ii. Lori Prince talked to Mindy Leal about possibly 10 bags of play sand for the sandbox.
 - 1. Mindy has said to let her know how many we need and she will donate them.
- o Kami DeWitt to get some fly bags so we can get ahead of the flies this year.
- o A member signed up as a family membership and has to change it to single membership due to an injury.
 - i. Since there have been no shows we are offering her to either get show credits or to refund the difference due to it being a medical injury.
- o New gaskets are on the way for water as there is a small leak.
- o Electrical work at the grounds that needs to be handled. (Lights up, wires that are sticking out of the ground need to be fixed) - table for future meetings.

10. Next Meeting: Wednesday, May 15th @ 6:30pm. Wednesday, June 19th @ 6:30pm, July 17th @ 6:30pm, Aug 21st @ 6:30pm at Red Flannel Saddle Club

11. Meeting Adjourned at 4:45pm

- Tanya Badge Motioned
- Amanda Ives 2nd.