

Board Meeting July 11,2018 Elks Lodge, Clovis, CA.

Call to order: 6:31 pm.

Roll Taken: President: Duane Peverill, Vice President: Ted Fischer,

Treasurer: Gary Van Sickle

Directors: Fredi Chrisman, Jim Knabke, Steve Naylon, Debbie McDougald, Pat

Peverill, Debbie McFarren

Others: Alan Fry

The president declared a quorum present. He then asked for any additions to the minutes. Ted requested discussion on a deposit for the Elks Lodge. Alan requested discussion on Recovery in the Wild.

Minutes reviewed and approved: 1st Ted, 2nd Pat, unanimous vote.

Correspondence: Two Big Meadows donations received and a certificate of appreciation from the Elks Lodge for donation.

Treasurer Report: See Treasurer

Debbie McDougald pointed out the need to document the miles of trails maintained by the work parties. Also, tree removal numbers.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Education: No report.

Membership: Two new members, Sarah Muzquiz and Kristianne Morrison (the new intern). The President informed there is 156 members in the unit. He also related that Jan requested the unit pay the membership dues for Carol Patterson for use of her ranch for the DS

clinic. 1st Ted, 2nd Fredi, unanimous vote to pay her dues.

Newsletter: Duane stated that articles are due July 20.

Public lands. Debbie reported that some forest land has been added to the Wilderness areas. For Sierra, it was not very much.

Sunshine: Appreciation letters sent for donations. Debbie McFarren reported that Jan lost her horse.

Shaver Lake: Camp is now open. Recently had a work party there. The road has been repaired. Jim Dixon was able to get it done for \$200 vs. the original estimate of \$2,000. Call Wanda for reservations.

- OLD BUSINESS. 1. Big Meadows Jim K: Going well. Need to have someone check the donation box periodically. Ted indicated the need to let Jim know if a director is going up to the camp. Short discussion on # of sites and vehicles allowed. Duane summarized that if Big Meadows is limited, there could be more dispersed camping and more impact on the nearby area.
- 2. Diana Sorensen Memorial Ride Duane indicated it would be Aug 10-12 at Tamarack. Check the website for details. Ted is getting the insurance and noted it is only good from dawn to dusk.
- 3. Montana de Oro Duane reviewed who attended and said it was a good outing.
- New Business: 1. Christmas Party Duane indicated the need to get people lined up to help organize the event. Decorations, tickets, entertainment, etc. Alan said it may not be necessary to have a DJ this time. A sound system can be brought in for the evening. Fredi suggested a cowboy entertainer. Ted said he would get the cowboy poet again. Duane asked that information be brought back to the next board meeting.
- 2. Election Meeting Duane indicated the best day is October 27. Ted reminded that the unit paid the first \$12 for each member's dinner. He also said there is a need for a guest speaker, such as Jerry Jones or a vet. Also suggested was a gun regulation (CCW aspects) person or a driver license person.
- 3. Flag Poles Duane indicated the need to discuss the unit's flag poles. He said currently they are on wooden poles with no toppers. Should have a nice pole with an eagle topper for the US flag. (Our flags are in good shape.) Need to get 3 poles and covers/cases for storage. Also, 3 flag boots are needed. He thought \$60 per pole would be the cost. He did indicate the California flag needs to be updated to a double-sided flag. Ted thought it might be good to have for riding in more parades. 1st": Ted, 2nd: Steve, to upgrade the poles with cases; and new flag if

needed, not to exceed \$500. Unanimously passed.

- 4. Recovery in the Wild Alan: He explained this was a project to take wounded vets into the high country, such as the John Muir Trail, and asked if the unit should offer assistance? He was not sure about the dates. He noted two other groups are helping. Debbie suggested an offer for a food supply drop. Consensus was to have Alan contact the group to see what is needed.
- 5. Elks Lodge Deposit -Ted: He stated there might be a \$200 deposit needed for the Stamey concert. Alan will confirm.

Calendar:

Duane announced the next Board meeting would be on Aug 1 and there would be a general meeting on August 15.

Adjourn 8:12 pm, Pat P 1st, Jim K 2nd, unanimous vote.