

BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN OF AMERICA
BRIDGERLAND CHAPTER

MEETING Date: ____ May 20th 2025 ____

PLACE: Hunter Education Building, 2851 West 200 North, Logan

Called to order, time: __1833, 6:30__

Presiding: _Ron Auger/ Dave Forsberg is out of town__

Reading last month minutes: ____No____ Any changes? ____None____

Minutes Approved 1st _Kari____ 2nd _Ron____

Financial Report: _None__

Attendees: Ron A, Chip C, Marshall S, Tracy C, Kari P, Dawny B and visitor Wynn O

Discussion:

Dawny told us of a video that we all should watch on YouTube, called "BCH inception 2" tells the story of how BCH was created and why. She explained and showed us a picture of the new "Yield too" sign. Please write to your Congressman Mike Lee and tell him that our public lands are NOT for sale. And bicycles do NOT belong in the wilderness. Utah Trails conference was missed by us, but next year it will be closer and in Rock Springs Wyoming. Dawny and Kari are going to try to attend. CTA has placed Bells at trailheads for the bikes to use so everyone can hear them coming. Lisa Cady would like to know what questions to ask the FS head about making Horse camp horse only camp. Some of the suggested questions are, why can't the existing Franklin Basin Horse Camp be "designated" horse only as it is now? Why can't BBCH provide the Port a potty for the area if we are paying for it?

Chip Cannon would like to talk about the May 24th project for Kristen and the forest service. This was cancelled. Chip spoke about Public Lands and the Boy Scouts doing a service project up Spawn Creek and if we could haul things up for them. Kristen wanted to make sure that we are willing to do bigger projects for them still. We told her call Chip and he can work it out with our Chapter for help. Chip will also ask Kristen for clarification on "how to clear the trails properly".

Moving the next meeting to June 26th our Vet check date. The motion was made to move it to the summer social because more people will be there than at the VET day. So, the motion passed to have the meeting on the 28th of June, the day of the Summer Social.

Clarkston Pony Express Race. Will be on the 21st of June at 0900, in Clarkston. Get a hold of Jerad Peterson if you have a team to race in it.

DNR has acquired Sherwood Hills, meeting May 20th to get ideas on how to use the land. No other information on this, yet.

Forest Service Volunteer hours sheets. Group and Individual. FS values our time at \$34.79 per hour. Marshal Blaum, new FS director for Logan Ranger Dist. NEPA, kiosks for parking lot, North of the Spring.

FS says that if we remove trash from the Forest we can dump in their dumpster at the mouth of the canyon.

Signs for the forest must be 1" letters routed in Oak. Reflective for Mt Bikers. Ron Hales has made signage for the FS before. Need GPS coordinates from the FS to place them. This has been a plan for over 10 years now and many signs need to be replaced. We will keep after the FS to get these signs made and placed. TBD

BCH are being referred to as "Trail Rovers", by the FS.

CTA wants our hours also. Not sure how we will do this but, more than likely we can print out the "google sheet" and give it to them. Ron suggested if they get to report our hours to them, we should get to report their hours to BCHA.

Ron rode the Juniper trail and said that there were 2 really big trees down. We need to tell CTA as that is one of their trails.

June 6th Ron, Dawn and Dave will be riding Clarkston. To see where they are experiencing being "gated off" the rather OLD access to the Wilderness being done now by a new owner who is NOT from the area but has bought the land and is trying to keep people out.

Vet Check Day is June 26th 5pm SHARP until 6pm sharp. If you signed up to get HC, Coggins be there. Dr Hoopes says he will not wait. And make sure that I have counted you as getting vaccines. He says he will only be able to keep on what we ask for. No extra vaccine because it must be refrigerated and he does not have one on this truck.

Next Meeting will be June 28th at Franklin Basin Horse Camp Summer Social

Meeting Adjourned: 1940, 7:40 pm

1st __Dawny__ 2nd __Chip__