

**HI-LINE & HOBBLES BCH**  
**FEBRUARY, 2025 MINUTES**

The monthly meeting for the Hi-Line & Hobbles Chapter of BCH was held on February 20, 2025. Meeting was called to order by President Rod Unsworth, followed by the Pledge. Members present were Rod Unsworth, Linda Hamrock, Tony Henrie, Nicole Olsen, Holly Jackson, Brandi Drury, Jubal and Anna Myers, Dwayne Bass, Lauren Konchar, and Brandie Kahn via phone.

Minutes from last meeting were approved.

Treasurer reported that we have \$7,669.72 in our account. We did purchase first aid supplies for both human and horse first aid kits. Rod Unsworth was also added as a signer on the bank account. Rod reported that he is in the process of setting up the chapter as a 501c3 organization.

Rod reported that he had purchased a filing cabinet that will be kept in the chapter trailer for use by officers and committee members as needed.

Rod advised that Lauren Konchar is our communications chair and will be handling emails and helping with the facebook page. Rod would like potential new members added to the email list.

Anna Myers will text Lauren reminders of who signed up to bring refreshments to the meetings. Lauren will notify the members.

Nicole Olsen is the chapter historian. If you have any pictures from rides, send them to her at [Nicolemarque25@gmail.com](mailto:Nicolemarque25@gmail.com).

Brandi updated on the Obstacle Challenge coming up in March. This is our biggest fundraiser and membership drive. It is free to members. Rod advised that our chapter was recognized at the State meeting for having 30 new members after the obstacle challenge. Brandi asked members to bring whatever items they may have for the silent auction that will be held during the obstacle challenge. Items don't have to be horse related. Lauren is heading the silent auction. Get any

items you may have to her. Suggestions for items are clothing, tack or jewelry, among other things.

Brandi requested chapter members come early to help set up. We can enter at 9 am. The event starts at 9:30 am. There will be a sign in table at the door. Everyone who is not a member must sign a waiver. We have the arena until 1 pm. The event ends at 12:30. Members plan on staying after to help clean up. The silent auction will end at 12:15 so people can pay and collect their items they bought. Rod will bring a megaphone. Lauren has tables, but if you have a table, please bring it. Rod will level the east end of the arena before the event as a service project.

Rod gave a brief overview of the State meeting. Rod also advised that there is \$100 available to each committee chair for their projects.

We hope to submit our membership drive strategy for a Double Diamond Award. Forest Service will be needing extra help this year on trail maintenance. Ian Hendricks is the chainsaw certification trainer. Anyone interested in this training will need to have CPR and First Aid training as a prerequisite. We have PPE in our trailer for chainsaw use available to certified members. The Utah Outdoor Initiative will be producing signs for trailheads.

On April 23-24, there will be a packing demo/training in Kanab. This will be a statewide event. The Kamas BCH is putting on this event.

Lauren will recognize new members on our facebook page.

Discussion about carrying weapons in the backcountry. It was discussed that when we are working on a forest service project with the forest service, we must comply with their restrictions.

Rod will be riding the Pony Express Trail for two days the end of April. Will start at Five Mile Pass. We then watched a video of the Pony Express trail.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Hamrock, Secretary

