High Uinta Backcountry Horseman 02/21/2024 Chapter Meeting Minutes

Attendees:

Gary Siddoway

Heidi Siddoway

Cagnie Schumann

Bella Buchanan

Andrew Corser

Scott Whitman

Greg Holbrook

Meeting called to order at 6:01 P.M. January chapter meeting minutes are approved. Topics:

- Membership Dues. We would like to increase and get more members to join Cagnie will send the link again before the deadline.
 - The link will also be found on our social media accounts.
 - ightharpoonup Cagnie will send a renewal email to the current members at the beginning of the week (2/26/2024).
 - ➤ Members can sign up anytime of the year.
- ❖ In hopes of increasing memberships, we will set up a booth at the poker ride in june.
 - ➤ Scott will help man the booth.
 - ➤ Materials were brought from the state meeting, that we can utilize at the booth.
- ❖ There is a budget of \$1000.00 to be dispersed to the chapter with the largest increase in memberships for 2024.
- ❖ We can also apply for a \$500.00 grant
 - This can be used for anything, including marketing materials.
 - ➤ Discussion about giving a shirt or hat for any new memberships. As long as it is allowed.
 - Gary will research this, and get back to us about the utilization of the grant.
- Chainsaw certification is trying to be set for April.
 - > Anyone planning on using any tool in the wilderness must be certified.

- ❖ Gary plans to have discussions with the Evanston forest service district to see if there are any projects on the North Slope that can be done.
 - > We are not hearing much back from the Kamas District right now.
 - Gary is talking to the forest service about the Yellow Pine trail being an issue
 - We could possibly use the grant to fix it. It would be ideal to add a plaque to the fix, to show that the chapter provided the service.
 - We would also, possibly, like to go into the East Fork to the Blacks Fork and improve the Dead Horse Pass. We could make it a two day trip. It is roughly 5 miles in.
 - This is also why the certification for the chapter members will be extremely important because only cross cut is allowed in the wilderness.
- ❖ Discussion was brought about pre-planning our riding dates as a chapter.
 - The plan is to do a weekday and a weekend. First and third Wednesday afternoon and second and fourth weekend for rides. Saturday mornings are ideal. All of this can be subject to change.
 - Possibly two weekdays and two weekends. This may help all members attend.
 - We would like to start riding in May. We can utilize the High Star trails to begin with.
 - A board member doesn't have to be there, as long as there is a designated trail leader.
- ❖ March 2nd Pack Clinic with the Wasatch Front Chapter.
 - ➤ Clinic will begin at 10:00 a.m.
 - ➤ Location is High Star Ranch.
 - ➤ Wasatch would like to do this with us, so we can do an overnight trip in August. RVO will be able to provide extra animals.
- ♦ Motion to Adjourn @6:35 p.m. Next meeting is set for March 13, 2024.