

SRBCH Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2024

Emery County Administration Building

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom, Wayne, Rod, Dale, Ken, Tracy, Don, Terri

UPDATES:

Goblin Valley: Emery County Road Department ground rock on the hill into the Indian Springs camping site. We can now pull goose neck horse trailers to the site. There are about 3 – 4 campsites. Eventually we will install a highline/tie rail at the site. Another highline/tie rail will be installed in campsite 5 area of Goblin Valley. The ranger, Drew, is working on the approvals for the highline/tie rails. Work will come at a future date.

Chainsaw training: Scheduled for May 18, 2024. This will be a 1 day/8 hour training. Members interested are: Jim Jennings, Jared Hansen, Don Bennett, Dale Wharram. There is space for 2 more people.

Another date – May 23, 2024 is tentatively scheduled with the Forest Service. They may send up to 4 people. There is space for 2 more people.

All participants must have an up to date, in person (not on line) CPR and First Aide training.

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE: Pricilla would like to drop the responsibility of the yearly newsletter. Jared Hansen has expressed an interest in doing this newsletter

Go Pro – A motion was made by Wayne, second by Rod, vote unanimous from members present to purchase a Go Pro for the purpose of promotion on social media sites. Jared and Jim will research information on the best Go Pro to purchase. Don will contact Freddie Dunn about the \$500 grant from the state BCHU. This Go Pro will be the property of SRBCH.

Lexi Maloney interviewed Wayne Ludington about SRBCH. We will use this interview for the next promotional post on social media once she has it ready.

Inventory List: Has been completed. If you have other items that need to be added, please email Terri at terribennett0117@gmail.com.

Map Trails/Combined Efforts on Trails: Everyone felt it was a good idea to combine help with other groups to help on trails, ie., OHV, mtn. bike, hike and rock climbers. A trail mentioned would be the old CCC trail at Joe's Valley. SRBCH would like to open this trail and felt the rock climber would be very willing along with the forest service to help accomplish this in 2024. Other trails discussed would be Roan's trail in Cottonwood Cyn. A list of trails for the Forest Service for 2025: Flood, Mill, Staker – Huntington Cyn; Mill Cyn to Shoofly- Joes Valley area; Horse Cyn to East Mountain.

BCHA National Meeting: Nationwide Challenge Cost Share program. BCHA is working on obtaining reimbursement for stock use with the US Forest Service. Each chapter must have a volunteer agreement in place with their local Forest Service. Reimbursement for stock (horse/mule) is \$150/day.

Member Comments: Discussion on the topic of membership dues even if they can't participate in rides. Their membership and monetary contribution is important to the goals of the national BCHA. We need to encourage people to join even if they can no longer ride, or if they are interested in furthering the cause of BCHA.

We need to keep local newspaper articles going, signs at trail heads, bridge repairs, etc. letting the public know of SRBCH involvement

Future Rides/Projects:

1. Moore Canyon - **CAMPOUT/DINNER** – April 12 – 13, 2024 .
 - a. Work project on Moore Cyn Trail – Friday, April 12, 2024 – meet at Swinging Bridge Equestrian Campground at 9:00 a.m.
 - b. Group ride will be Saturday, April 13 – meet at Swinging Bridge at 9:00 a.m.
 - c. **GROUP DINNER - FRIDAY, APRIL 12 @ 5:00 pm. POTLUCK**
EVERYONE INVITED
Don/Terri – pulled pork and buns
Dale/Patty – cole slaw
Ken – baked beans
We could use chips, and dessert. Please bring your own plates and drinks.

Next meeting May 2, 2024 at the Emery County Administration Building.