Yankee Springs Board Meeting Minutes

August 13, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 pm by President Ron Walker, meeting was held at the YS Pavilion. Kathy volunteered to take meeting minutes. The meeting was scheduled to be at the day use area, but we couldn't find a shady spot.

Attendance: Kathy T, Carla W, Ron W, Ricky W, Jeanne B, Ruth T, Ken T

Excused Absent: Travis and Sarah B, Tom C, Heather W, Skip B, Heather S

Member Attendance: Dick Smith

Consent Agenda: No secretary's report. Treasurer's reports for May, June, July Ken made a motion to approve as written, Ruth 2nd, voted on and approved.

Old Business:

Currently have 1 open position on the BOD, if any YSTRA member would like to be part of the future plans for YS horse trails please contact a current board member or Ron Walker 616-437-0747.

Annual Meeting: September 14, 2024 will be held at the Yankee Springs Township Hall, 284 N. Briggs Rd. Middleville, Mich. 49333. Starting at 2:00.

BOD members up for re-election this year are:

Ruth T, Carla W, Travis B, Jeanne B, Heather S, Kathy T. 1 open position

Ron will try to get Tribute Feeds for a presentation, Kathy will try to get a saddle fitter. Another possible presenter is Shannon Stafford equine dentist.

Food for the annual meeting: Potluck, attending members bring a dish to pass.

Meat will be provided by YSTRA

Ice cream/pasta salad - Ricky Dessert - Travis

Baked Beans - Carla Potato Salad - Ruth

Gluten free dish - Jeanne Broccoli Salad - Kathy

Kiosk: Material has been purchased by DNR, Ron and Travis will assemble and install.

Carla and Sara are working to get a big color map of the trails to be installed at the Kiosk.

Trail Report: Ron and Travis took a grapple bucket to clear portions of the 9 mile trail through the clear cut area. Ruth has worked on clearing the 6 mile trail. Tree down on the 4 mile. Trails with deep ruts need to be re-routed. We will schedule a work bee this fall, to repair / re-route areas that have erosion issues.

New Business:

A request to donate a memorial bench for Jane Robertson has been made. The request asked for the bench to be placed in the new day parking area. Carla made a motion to accept this proposal, Ruth 2nd, voted on and approved. Ron will take the plans to the DNR for final approval.

DNR is installing a grill in the Day parking area.

Fall roadside clean up will be scheduled and done by Jeanne, Ruth, Kathy, and Dick.

Kathy made a motion to adjourn the meeting a 7:18, Carla 2nd, voted, passed.

Respectively submitted,

Kathy Taylor