

March 18, 2024 – WMRC Membership Meeting

Via Zoom: Sharon Ellingwood White, Bonnie Hamel

In Person: Vicki Herzog, Trish Switser, Cathy Dorr, Bill & Debbie Joyce, Dave & Ramona Chessman

1. The meeting was called to Order at 7:06 PM by Emma Gooden
2. Secretary Report: Was viewed previously via email. Trish Motioned to Accept as read. Ramona says the CD rolled over is a 12 month not a 10-month CD. Trish motioned to amend the February Minutes to read as 12-month CD vs a 10 Month CD. Cathy 2nd. All in favor.

Vicki questioned the financials in the minutes, Cathy explained that it was voted on previously that only the website would have the blacked-out numbers. Trish brought up that in being transparent with the membership, the emailed minutes should include the financials.

3. Treasurer Report: Ramona reported on the accounts:

Passumpsic Checking:

Beginning Balance
Club Dues
Horse Show Expense
Club Donations
Bank Fees
Total Checking

Passumpsic Savings Account:

Beg. Balance
Interest
Total Savings

Service Credit Savings Account:

Beg. Balance
Interest
Interest Transferred to CD
Total Savings

Service Credit CD

Beginning Balance
Interest
Interest Trans. From Saving
Total CD

Service Credit Union CD

Beginning Balance
Interest
Total Balance

Total of All Accounts

Trish questioned who the donation was to, Ramona explained \$150 was to the Weeks Library and \$150 was to the Gilman Senior Center. Both locations were used for club meetings.

Vicki motioned to approve and Dave 2nd. All in Favor.

4. Horse Show Report: Cathy Reported:

The committee was meeting March 16th but was unable to meet due to the overbooking of a baby shower at the center. Things that we were going to talk about were finalizing the class list, updating the rule book to accommodate class changes, Sponsors, food vendors and the clinic with Dorothy. New meeting Date to be set with committee members.

5. Old business:

- Emma Reported on the by-laws. The club needed to discuss the dispersal of funds to be added into the by-laws. The State of NH requires a 2/3 quorum of remaining board members to vote to disband the club and disperse the remaining funds. The current members felt it should go to a non-profit equine organization or if in the future a named entity is no longer in business, then the by-laws could be changed by the remaining members to disperse the funds. It was decided to name Tom-Ten Farm and Sanctuary and Becky's Gift as equal recipients. Both are non-profits, transparent and reputable. Ramona Motioned to accept this addition to the by-laws being mailed out to members for voting and Vicki 2nd. All were in favor.
- Damaged Ribbons: There was conversation about what to do with the 38 lbs. of damaged ribbons. Did the club want to set up a time or what were the thoughts about it. Sharon Ellingwood- White spoke about the Creation of a ribbon wall photo backdrop that is still in the creative idea stage. She is collecting ribbons to use the rosettes in memory of Sheryl Stevenson. Trish Motioned to have the club donate the ribbons to this ribbon wall Vicki 2nd and all were in favor. Cathy was going to bring them to Sharon.
- Brian did not respond to renewing as a member of the club, so he was removed by the President (Emma) as a board member for the remainder of his term 2024.

6. New Business:

- Emma appointed Vicki to Brians board seat for the remainder of 2024. She was the only officer that was not on the board of directors currently, according to the current by-laws.
- Zoom membership, Club to purchase the yearly membership, 4C Horsemanship is willing to pay \$100 towards this. Zoom to be set up with the club email so Emma and Ramona will set it up. Trish suggested a 1 yr. trial to see how it goes. Cathy motioned to purchase the zoom membership on a 1-year trial basis, Trish 2nd. All in favor
- Emma brought up going back to every other meeting again this summer. Even months would be meetings. The vote on revised by-laws will be in April so we will need to wait and see if the by-laws pass.
- Emma to type and forward by-laws to Cathy to get mailed out to every member so they can review and must appear in person to vote or discuss at April meeting.
- Zeffy.com, Cathy brought up the idea of the club signing up to avoid the credit card fees. This will allow online show sign ups and payments for classes, sponsorships, memberships to not have any fees. 100% of the funds will be deposited to the club. Cathy to bring more information to the next meeting regarding examples.
- No other new business.

Next meeting: April 15, 2024 @ 7 PM

Trish motioned to adjourn the meeting and Ramona 2nd. All in favor 7:51 PM

Recorded by Cathy Dorr