

Hidden Hills Community Association
Equestrian Services Committee
Monday November 13, 2019

Roll Call to Order

Present at the meeting were Keith Christian, Lonna Weber, Allie Tashnek, Sarah Phillips and Debbie Kulik. Linda Raznick and Jill Green were absent. Guests John and Missy Importa from Compass Real Estate also attended the meeting.

October Meeting Minutes

Sarah made a motion to approve the October meeting minutes and Keith seconded the motion.

Trail Reports

Sarah reported a fence down by 5474 Jed Smith with nails sticking out. Sarah also reported the gate latch at Lewis and Clark arena is broken and a bolt slipped out causing a panel to stagger. Keith said they may need to dig out the old post.

Lonna reported pea gravel on the trail entrance by Long Valley and Round Meadow from the construction suite and she also feels that there are too many sandbags out on the trail. Lonna also reported the spec house on 5727 Jed Smith Road has hedges growing on the 3 rail fence. Lonna reported a broken sprinkler on the Simon property and the Christmas lights on the trees at the Moriarity home are hanging too low. Jackie will let her know.

Debbie said the chain on the bollard on the trail by the Lipmann's on Spring Valley that leads to Round Meadow is broken.

Jackie said there was a water leak on Little Hollow Road from the Kumar property so the trail had to be closed. She will find out what the status is on the repairs.

New Business

Missy and Jason Importa

Missy and John informed the Committee that Laura McCorkindale suggested they attend the ESC meeting because they are interested in sponsoring the Committees equestrian events. Missy and her husband have been riding horses for years and they too have noticed that the community is struggling to keep the equestrian lifestyle. Missy continued to say that Bell Canyon is having a similar problem. Sarah asked if having an equestrian center helps Bell Canyon, Missy said yes. Missy also said that most buyers do not have horses and most homes for sale do not have barns. The Committee then discussed

offering lesson programs for residents. Missy said she will talk to Lisa Riccomini from Bell Canyon to see how they are handling things at their equestrian center. Lastly, Missy and Jason announced that they will be sponsoring donuts and coffee at the community center on November 30th 7:30 to 10:00 am.

Arena Rules

The Committee discussed rider conflicts at the arena.

Spring Valley Dressage Arena Bids

Sarah reported that she met with Dave and got 2 proposals. Option 1 is to remove the existing sand and store it on the property or disposing of it for an extra cost, laser level existing base adding base material as needed and compacting, install 2"-3" of apex sand/ggt footing and laser level, railroad ties stay as existing for the price of \$25,700.00. Or option 2 to remove the existing sand and railroad ties and store on property or dispose at extra cost, laser grade existing subbase and compact, install 4" equestrian based, laser level and compact, install 6" x 6" x 12" pressure treat boarder, install 2-3" apex sand/ggt blend and laser level for the price of \$57,700.00. Sarah will now contact Ron from Triple Crown footing for a second bid.

Sarah also reported that the ruts at Saddle Creek are caused by the sprinklers. Sarah said if we get the water to drain properly, the sprinklers can go all the way around and finish outside of the arena. Jackie said Mike promised he will be out this week to fix ruts.

L.A. Sheriff's Posse in HH

Keith reported that the posse was in Hidden Hills a week ago last Saturday and Kerry the City Hall manager told him they made a few stops and educating.

Enforcement- Increase and Timing; STTOP

Keith said that Kerry informed him that the Sheriff has been writing more tickets, mostly for running stop signs. The City has also done studies on the streets and it seems that there is not as much speeding as residents may think. Sarah said driving 30 MPH by a horse is the problem. Lonna strongly suggested the guards verbally let guest know about the law of yielding to horses.

Tip of the Month

The Committee discussed putting an article about safety procedures for riding at night. Jackie said we have an article for reflective gear; she will email it to the Committee for review.

Budget Remaining and Projects

Keith reported that there is \$7,100.00 left in the budget for events. So far \$3,000.00 was spent on the gymkhana, \$920.00 on the vaulting event and \$2,500.00 on the emergency clinic.

Old Business

Emergency Phone/Text Tree Re: Easy Fire

Allie felt that the text tree worked really well during the Easy fire and she would like to get more people involved so they suggested sending out a notification notifying residents of the app.

October Gymkhana Recap

Keith reported counting about 80 people at the event. 50 tickets were sold. The girls from the pony ride company Gabby's Barnyard were amazing. They lead lined the kids through the obstacles of the courses giving us 45 entries.

Outreach to Gates Regarding Loose Horse Warnings

Keith said he talked to Debbie Seror and the Gate Committee offered to help figure out a way to get a procedure for notifying the community and helping to catch the loose horse.

Recap of Events schedule for 2019-2020

The Committee discussed having a St. Patrick's Day gymkhana on March 14th with a rain date set for April 25th and a Valentine's Day vaulting clinic on February 15th.

Discuss Trail Surfaces and Grooming Procedures

Debbie said there is netting under the DG on the trail by her house on Old Eldorado Meadow. Lonna said she doesn't think that it would be a good idea to put mulch on the slippery trails because of fire danger.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m.