

SIERRA FREEPACKERS MEETING MINUTES  
April 17, 2018

Meeting called to order by President Cathy Miller at 6:37 p.m. in the Oakhurst Library.

Minutes: Motion to approve the March minutes as presented made by Patricia; seconded by Karoline. Minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Laurie reported an increased balance. One check was paid out to John Wagoner for a replacement chain saw chain. Income included the funds from the BCHC grant.

Membership: Laurie reported one membership renewal; no new memberships.

Education: Denise, working on the QT, submitted our unit for the Education award at the Rendezvous. Happily, our unit won! Our unit also was awarded the per capita award; and Patricia won for Top Hand.

Public Lands: Jay absent.

Old Business:

1. Spring Cove Trail Grant: We got the grant. Mary will order materials and submit receipts to Laurie. When all the materials are together we will plan a work date. Mary recommended we let John know what size chain saw chains will be needed for certified sawyers. On a similar note, three trees have been reported down on the Goat Mountain Trail. A date for tree removal will be scheduled soon.
2. By Laws: Cathy retyped the unit bylaws, making a few minor changes: order of info presented was changed, month of elections and terms were corrected. She would like everyone to read the document and provide feedback to her prior to the next meeting.
3. Rendezvous: Consensus was the event was great even with the short notice. The vendors did well. Next year the Rendezvous will be held in Norco.
4. Pack Clinic: On Monday, April 2 a pack clinic was held at the Raymond Rodeo Grounds. Several members participated then went for a ride down the cemetery road.
5. Hensley work day: What was planned as a short work day for 2 1/2 trees to be removed on April 5 turned into an all day event with some steep learning curves on the part of the crew. The work was finally completed with no injuries; so success!

New Business:

1. Raymond Parade: April 21: meet at the Raymond Rodeo Grounds at 10:00. Sandy and Karoline will carry the flags. Please wear a long sleeved white shirt, blue jeans, the unit bandana and chaps or chinks if you have them. Saddle blankets will be provided by Cathy.
2. Grant Update: Gloria provided an update; she has the banner, brochures and posters ready for the Heritage day event. The unit will already be at that event so we will hand out the information there for wildfire education as well.
3. Snow Play Kiosk: John and Mary went somewhere and gathered some cedar trees, which now need to be debarked. A work party is planned at John's house on Thursday next at 10:00. It should only take a couple of hours, but bring lunch.
4. Snow Play Hot Spot Nomination: Denise would like to nominate Snow Play as a LNT hot spot; perhaps for 2019. She checked with Cori (Forest Service) and felt that due to the high use in that area it

would be a good candidate. Denise already has the application and would like the group to agree she submit it. The group consensus is that she submit the application.

General Discussion/Announcements:

Shara Kelly talked about a Paint Night to support the YLP barn. She also asked that if you go to the barn and participate in lessons plan to participate in maintenance around the barn; show season is starting and it would be good if everyone pitched in to help clean it up.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. the Oakhurst Library.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m; motioned by Karoline, seconded by John.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Seslowe