

November 2019 FFBCCH  
General Meeting 11/23/2019  
Tillis Hill Picnic

Call to order at 1 PM by Sally McDavid

Special recognition given to Albert Frey, a Korean War Veteran and to all veterans present.

Guest: Jeanne Winger and two new members. Lynn Burns and Sandy Wait.

Welcome back to the snowbirds.

Reminder: Christmas party at Stumknockers on the River December 19.

A motion was made to approve the October minutes by Karen Rossman, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Darlene Creasman and group approved.

Treasurer's report by Gary Reynolds. Motion to approve by Sue Michel, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lillian Baner and group approved.

Sally shared pictures of damaged trails.

Meeting Places: We basically have 4 places: Old World, Angelotti's, Sea Food Seller and Tillis Hill. We need more places. Buffet City in Brooksville was mentioned and almost everyone in the group said they would go that far. So, we will check into it.

Spring Picnic: Last year was in April and we only had 30 people attend. It was felt that a lot of our members had already left by then so it was decided to move the date to March. It was discussed that we could just do covered dish rather than have a meat entree. If we do that, people would need to bring more entree type dishes rather than veggies and sides.

Gary and Sally met with Forestry personnel Eddie, Lita and Keith about the destruction of the trails when plowing for controlled burns. They said most of their equipment is up North so they just use what they have on hand. As their equipment comes back, they will try to be more eco-friendly. We need everyone to report damaged trails because we don't ride everywhere in the forest to see everything. They are still trying to recover from the Hurricane destruction up North.

Sally gave many statistics on the value of the Horse industry to Florida and the impact of Hurricane Michael on Forestry.

Tillis Hill Improvements: 4 new wash pads; a new covered manure and shavings storage area; repair/replace corral boards. At Holder Mine, camp sites 84, 86, 125 and 127 will become future equestrian parking.

Volunteer hours should be submitted to Gary Reynolds so we can get credit with forestry and BCHA.

Janet Day passed out T-shirt awards to those who have reach 20 hours of volunteering. This is a one time award. Shirts went to : Cindy Cyphers, Gary Cyphers, Jean Dodge, Laura Phil, Kathy Jackson, Kathy Lane, Rodney Lane, John O'Bannion, Trina Romeo, Bonnie Scott, Dave Van and Don Ward.

Field Trial Painting: All seven have volunteers

Picnic table Update: we have 8 tables and mounting blocks in place with \$975 invested in materials.

Janet has the report on who volunteers for what and a thank you to all to stay year round and keep the trails maintained.

Trash pickup will be Jan 8,9 and 11. Janet is coordinating this event.

Gloria mentioned that she was confronted by a rude hunter in the forest.

Calvin stated that it would be nice to have a sign coming out of the North end of the barn directing people to the trails.

Darlene suggested that instead of the gift exchange at the Christmas party that we take up donations for one of the food banks, Either cash donations or canned goods

50/50 \$94 won by Ray Durett.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:10 PM.