

SIERRA FREEPACKERS MEETING MINUTES  
May 15, 2018

Meeting called to order by President Cathy Miller at 6:32 p.m. in the Oakhurst Library.

Minutes: Motion to approve the April minutes as presented made by Cathy; seconded by John.  
Minutes approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Laurie was absent so the TR was read by John. John reported a decreased balance due to numerous checks paid out for grant project supplies.

Membership: Laurie was absent; no membership information was reported.

Education: Denise covered Education topics later in the meeting.

Public Lands: Jay has resigned from this position. Mary decided to ask Bob Brown to take the position over. Later in the meeting Bob showed up and agreed to take the position when Mary asked him if he was interested.

Old Business:

1. Spring Cove Trail Grant: Mary has all supplies. Leftover monies from the Fire Grant were added to help purchase supplies for this project. Discussion about what other materials were needed. Mary suggested we need two days planned; one for scouting sign placements and one for an actual day of work. The scouting day was planned for Thursday, May 17. Meet at the boat launch area at 9:30. The date for the actual work will be decided later.
2. By Laws: Cathy received a teeny tiny itty bitty bit of feedback on the bylaw revision. She made the suggested change and is asking that members re-review them. She is looking for additional comments.
3. Snow Play Kiosk: The kiosk is ready to be installed. A date for installation has been selected: May 24; meet at Snow Play at 9:30. Cori (FS) has been in contact with the unit and made suggestions for where she would like the kiosk installed.
4. South Fork Trail: Discussion about our responsibilities for clearing the trail on the park side. Walk or ride. One animal or two. logistics for transporting equipment and animal(s) and people. Tentative date: May 31; meet at Von's at 9:00. Bring lunch.
5. Eastman Work Day: This event took place on April 30. Members cleared about 4 miles of trail and then rode to the end. Hotter weather is preventing additional work at this time.
6. Raymond Parade: 10 members participated in the parade. All went smoothly.
7. Heritage Day: Mary reported over 700 kids visited and enjoyed the animals, and the activities prepared by Laurie.

New Business:

1. Kelley Meadow Pump: John reported the pump is not working. Some discussion on what repairs may be needed. John to reassess.
2. Wawona work day: There has been no contact with stage driver in Wawona who wanted the help last fall. No action on this project.
3. Camp out: Earlier when planning activities for the year there was some discussion on a camp trip to Kelty. Cathy was not able to make reservations so Kelty is out. Some discussion on other places to camp but no decision made.

4. July Meeting Date Change: Since the work party for Granite Creek has been planned for July 15/16-21, the meeting date will have to be changed. The July meeting will be on July 10, same time.
5. Addition: Linda reminded the unit the Bass Lake clean up is May 19 and encouraged all to come out and help. Lunch will be provided to participants. Great prizes await!
6. Addition: Mary discussed the annual Forest Service awards and made presentations to members that did not attend the award night.
7. Addition: Mary received a call from the SJSU; If you become an associate member of that unit, you will be able to use their camp up by Shaver. Caveat: must take stock.
8. Addition: Denise reported the Granite Creek corral set up has not been scheduled yet.

General Discussion/Announcements:

Terry mentioned there was a nice small gaited mustang available for adoption from Lone Oak.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 19 at 6:30 p.m. the Oakhurst Library.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m; motioned by Terry, seconded by John.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sharon Seslowe