

MDHMA Spring Meeting Minutes 6-27-20

Meeting was called to order.

- Prior minutes were approved as read
- Treasurer's report was given as follows:
 - **Starting Balance after Twin Bridges** **\$3,814.72**
 - Membership deposits \$1,960.00
 - Web design and hosting – 3 years \$ 431.64
 - Domain Name Registration – yearly \$ 25.00
 - MT Business Annual Registration \$ 20.00
 - Draft Horse Expo \$ 500.00
 - Due to the cancelled May meeting, a motion was made and seconded to sponsor the Street Class at the Draft Horse Expo. Members voted via an electronic survey in April. 29 voted in favor, 0 opposed. The motion passed. With the cancellation of the 2020 Draft Horse Expo, this sponsorship will be applied to the 2021 show
 - Due to the cancelled May meeting, a motion was made and seconded to donate \$250 to the Draft Horse Expo stall upgrade project. This project is ongoing and expected to be completed this year. The \$250 donation would entitle the MDHMA to a permanent plaque on one stall. Members voted via an electronic survey in April. 23 voted in favor, 5 opposed, 1 abstained. The motion passed.
 - Paper Statement Fee \$ 2.00
 - **Ending Balance** **\$4,796.08**
 - **Expected upcoming expenses**
 - \$275 IRS re-submittal of the 501©3 application
 - Groceries from Virginia City
 - Shaves for Association wagons
- **OLD BUSINESS**
 - The “education” committee had not gotten together but will look at options for Twin Bridges.
 - Nicole gave update on 501(c)3 status. Everything was submitted and payment was made but it was kicked back on a technicality that she thinks was a misunderstanding in how we answered one of the questions on the eligibility questionnaire. She is going to re-submit with the question answered accurately and hopefully it will be accepted the 2nd time around.
 - Scott gave update on association equipment. Specs for the shaves for the association wagons are almost set so we are closer to having them built. Dick Renfro has offered to fix our cultivators. He has one currently and we will be bringing the 2nd to him but with the Expo cancelled this year, there is no hurry. The wagons will be needing a new coat of finish in the near future. Scott will look into having that done.
- **NEW BUSINESS**

- Betty McCoy gave an update on the Draft Horse Expo cancellation and next year's event. Gave out commemorative pens.
- There was discussion of the need for an expanded social media presence to get the word out about the association. Nicole said she would set up information and update events on the new Montana Horse Magazine website. Talked about the need for Facebook and/or Instagram and asked anyone interested in taking on either of those projects to contact her.
- Discussed thinking about a venue for next spring's meeting. Dick Grosskept said he just acquired a big chuck wagon setup, has plenty of pens and would be willing to host the meeting at their place just east of Billings. We will get more information on his layout to present at the Twin Bridges meeting. Anyone with other options were asked to let one of the officers know.

Meeting was adjourned

Minutes Submitted by Nicole Smart