

GRANITE STATE CARRIAGE ASSOCIATION

11/17/19 Board meeting minutes

Members present: Jean Harvey, President, Eric Wilking, VP, Neil Harvey, Treasurer, Connie Moses, Director, Sandy Sims, Secretary, Ginger Laplante, Archivist and News letter editor

Meeting held at the home of Eric and Linda Wilkins.

The meeting was called to order at 11:45 am by Jean, President. Quorum was met.

Secretary's report from 5/14/19 minutes was reviewed, revised as needed and motion by Eric to accept, seconded by Connie. Motion passed.

Treasurer's report given by Neil. Accounts reviewed: \$2147.46 in checking account and \$13,026.31 in Money Market Account. \$3000 newly added to MM account. Please refer to attached detailed Treasurer's report for more info.

We now have 172 members which surpasses last years total of 160. Discussion ensued re: more riders than drivers. Club renewals will come due shortly. Eric and Neil will work together on upcoming payments and insurance.

Eric discussed club expenses, previous expenses, ie website, etc. Jean suggested that perhaps upcoming meeting will be time to discuss budget. Ginger asked how much the club contributes to our annual dinner? Eric answered >50%. Cost to members was \$20pp. Auction funds go to bank account and last year was >\$1750. Motion by Eric to accept Treasurer's report, seconded by Cindy. Motion passed.

General Discussion: Connie stated she had no real changes to report, website was up to date and secure. Work done by Katie Boates-Goudreau. Blog discussion was not very active. Connie felt it was important to direct people to website/webpage. Facebook has 550 followers and continues to be 'private.' Site is vetted by Connie and Cindy and no negative info/statements found., therefore maintain the KISS principal.

Public membership list discussed and board decided not to publish. Still available on a 1-1 basis as needed. Newsletter does not need to be members only publication. Jean suggested that the newsletter be added to Blog, might be a good tool/info there. Eric suggested we continue to keep late renewal (1 ½ years) members getting newsletter but not discontinue actual their membership until 2 years have passed, and name will be moved to a different inactive section. Motion made by Eric, seconded by Sandy. Motion passed.

Connie wants to make an action list. Connie made a motion to add Blog and Newsletter to website heading. Eric seconded. Motioned passed.

Jean wants to call a meeting in 2-4 weeks to plan and budget for our annual meeting.

Eric reviewed Cindy's (not present) concerns and questions about utilizing Go 2 Meeting for individual meetings but Eric clarified that it is a yearly contract only for 12 meetings and is <\$200. Eric thinks Go2 meeting a good idea to continue.

How long do we keep liability forms? Jean thought 1 year. Discussion continued about accident in Loudon at event. Motion by Eric that it is important to notify the board henceforth as it is an "unusual event." Seconded by Connie. Motion passed. Neil will check with insurance company.

Discussion regarding memberships. Yes to the following:

- NE Horse and Trail
- American Driving Society
- CAA-Carriage Assoc of America
- NH Horse Council
- NH Horse and Trail

Neil asked about snowmobile club membership. No per Eric. We give a donation however.

Need a new host for the snow games event.

Eric will look into new LOGO, and perhaps hire a graphic designer. Discussion followed. Connie has done some work and research. Artwork needs to be "camera ready" and format compatible as with T-shirts etc.

Host guidelines coordinated with VP Eric. Eric has all the banners and recommends they come back to 1 person only so they don't get lost. He will coordinate mailing instruction to next person/event.

All monies and memberships go to Neil as Treasurer. Liability questions/concerns go to Eric, VP.

Next agenda: January 9th 7pm
Brochures—we have plenty
LOGO

Motion to adjourn by Sandy, seconded by Eric. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm

Planning Board meeting to follow.

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Sims, Secretary