

IHTA MINUTES September 19, 2023 Headquarters, ISRA

Started at: 6:00 Attendance: Maggie VanDyken, Mickey Dawson, Chris Blievernicht, Jennifer Ross, Lea Burger, Arrianne Crandell, Tara Sowa, Nancy Simmonds, Tara Sowa & Nancy Simmonds were all present. Beth Stein was excused. Brandy Miller, our ETS representative attended as did active members Oleta and Jered Birkbeck.

Treasurer's Report: Maggie presented and the report was accepted. Tara will assist Maggie with the annual audit yet this month.

Merchandise Report: We are set for now.

Membership Report: We are up to 64 memberships, 114 total members.

Trevor:

Signs to keep riders off Dog Trials area and (15) Signs for Corrals. *The* sign shop has just reopened and we will have signs for spring. There has been little issue on the Dog Trials area this summer.

New Trails on NW side? 300 acres? *Only issue to be worked out is entry through Dog Trials 2 area – in discussion.* 

West staging sign? We believe this sign is 'in house' and will be installed this fall.

Forestry head – Brush Hog? Phase 2, – *Tentative dates Oct 9-23. Brush work for 4 new corral sites will happen at the same time.* 

Water crossing improved? *Trevor will examine and establish an annual plan.* 

Confidence course obstacle trees will be marked with bright plastic ribbon soon.

Events:

CCO – 10.7.23 – decision was taken NOT to limit chili to red only.

Work bee - Planned date is November 4. We will have Cindy Cotter in by/on Friday Nov 3 to lay in the heavy materials. We will install corrals November 4 – as well as replace short pickt posts on 134 & 136.

Unfinished Business:

Game plan – best practice for reporting trail & campground issues. Pull up your map app and drop a pin where it is, do a screen shot. Call 616-527-3750 and report ASAP.

New Business:

A reminder has been posted to keep your phone on your body and have an emergency plan. Try to be aware of where you are so you can tell someone where to find you. Keep your phone charged.

Adjourned: 7:02