

EBLES Executive Meeting:

Date: February 10th 2022

Meeting was held virtually using teams conference call

ATTENDING: Jennie Hutchison, Dianne McGuire, Kirsten Hoel, Ted Simmons, Claire Vessey

TREASURER'S REPORT:

-Actual expenses for 2021-\$1662.06 for main ring, 1474.74 for the blower, 886.00 sand for small ring

-EXPENSES current: Amount for materials \$874.74 for wood for ring, \$391.72 for posts \$40.50 on bank fees and \$40.00 on line for societies on line for reporting

-Current account balance: \$108,524.05

-Budget for expenses: We have committed \$107,000.00 for expenses. Original allocation of funds in budget underestimated the amount needed for sprinkler system. We do not need the dressage frame, and the removal of concrete with remediation will be minimal so funds originally allocated there are redirected towards the \$21,700.00 needed for the sprinkler system. Also some of the funds allocated for the pathways was redirected towards the sprinkler system budget.

-The estimated cost of aggregate for main ring based on 8 inches road base (\$19744.48), 4 inches screenings (\$8152.00) and fairway sand (\$5107.00)-but this is not definitive (

-Owe outstanding bill: \$5147 and change for Logan on work done. Only bill outstanding at the moment

-Reconciled balance based on budget- \$8900.00. This amount will be needed for new harrow.

-Estimate based on most expensive provider. Entire 108,000 will be spent

-For operating costs: full budget not formulated yet

-Projected revenues expected from memberships: should generate \$10,000-\$12,000 this year

MEMBERSHIP:

-Current membership:20 individual members, 6 family memberships 4 lifetime members, 3 club members (Garden City Horseman's club, Victoria /Saanich Cadora, Lower Island Equestrian Club)

-Membership drive/draw: Proposed \$50 gift" hay net" for a prize draw for early membership (members who sign up before April, and/ or entrants in Poker ride. Posters proposed for Facebook to encourage membership. Gift certificate for draw also discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS:

-Report: On fence post replacement and hog fuel push back: Fence posts were replaced, trenches were made for water management

-Sunday February 13 work party-plan dig out pipe (tap not working) behind concession building. Plumber may be needed-agreed to pursue Plumber if needed. Will need to install new post at this location for stability of pipe

-Volunteers and Volunteer coordinator needed for ring project: Proposed to call people. Ruth proposed as coordinator, or Claire Vessey. Jenny may step in if needed as coordinator

-Depth base and sand layer- One-foot base minimum (8 inches road base,4-inch screenings) under sand proposed for longevity of ring-all agreed. 2 potential weakness in ring base replacement-cannot extend base beyond fence rails, and old drain trenches could lead to settling and rippling over time.

-Type of sand-2 inches recommended then add more as needed. Should be mix of washed fairway sand and screenings-all agreed

-Project plan: Island Equipment Owners Association has not confirmed dates available yet for grading and delivery of materials. On hold for setting date. Grading and road base first, then turtle wall, then next 2 layers.

-turtle wall discussed: Needs to be permeable to allow water through. Discussed turtle barriers at gates should be a flap attached to gates.

-Sprinklers quote from Summit: \$34,354.00. Decision to seek other quotes

-Round pen plan: Tabled for discussion at a later date

-Purchase new harrow and sale of C rake: Decision to delay sale of C rake and purchase of new harrow for now.

-Project meetings: Proposed to set up more frequent project meetings, needed more often than monthly. Agreed.

FUND RAISING: April 1st deadline for getting core funding in

-need money for sprinklers. Will put in bid for funding for sprinklers. Will use quotes that have been provided

- BC equestrian and trails grant-can apply for the forest Hill trail and Elk wood trail. Would need to approach Saanich or the Park for jurisdiction on maintenance for these trails. Ensure appropriate parties contacted to assist with this

TRAILS:

-Report on condition of trails: No recent report available. No known problems currently

COMMUNICATIONS:

-Communications over the last month: call for volunteers for work parties was successful, some volunteers prefer a notice posted to invite volunteers rather than being called

-Communications needed: to contact parties for donations for gift baskets

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

-Report to the CRD including project plan: Has been submitted.

-Societies Act Report: Has been filed

-CRA report: Jennie is working on it

NEXT MEETING: March 10 2022

Minutes Submitted by Michelle Levesque (viewed recorded meeting)