

EBLES Meeting Minutes

Date: March 3, 2024

Attendees:

- Dianne
- Ted
- Jennie
- Laura
- Claire
- Kira

Agenda Items:

1. Opening of Trails
 2. Communications
 3. Treasurer's Report
 4. Arena Preparation and Hero Equipment
 5. Upcoming Work Party
 6. Protocol for Communications and Social Media
 7. Other Business
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Meeting Details:

1. Opening of Trails

- Discussion:
 - Trails are open; water and mud present on certain connectors.
 - Trees cleared on the 10k trail between Jennings Lane and North Beach.
 - Standard shape for trails from filter beds up to VNS trail and equestrian center.
 - Clearing of windfalls and low branches by staff.
- Conclusion:
 - Trails are generally in good condition.

2. Communications

- Discussion:
 - Announcement for poker ride.

- Call for volunteers on April 1st and a push for the 12th.
- Communications to be done via Facebook and email.
- Discussion on the announcement of the ring opening, potentially targeting April 15th or 22nd.
- Action Items:
 - Decision on the date of ring opening before the next meeting on the 13th.
 - Invite mayors and MLA for the area to the opening event.

3. Treasurer's Report

- Financial Overview:
 - Opening balance: \$40,541.78
 - Receipts: \$320 for membership, \$149.62 from PeninsulaCoA
 - Expenses: \$328.31 (including coffee and receipts from Thriftees and Starbucks)
 - Closing balance: \$40,681.59
- Upcoming Expenses:
 - Small bills pending and a significant bill from Five Star Paving expected.

4. Arena Preparation and Hero Equipment

- Discussion:
 - Use of the existing harrow for leveling the arena.
 - Coordination with Lisette's brother for setup guidance.
 - Cautious approach to ensure the arena is ready before general use.
- Conclusion:
 - Tentative date for arena readiness set for April 15th, with a decision to be finalized before that date.

5. Upcoming Work Party

- Details:
 - Scheduled for March 12th.
 - Provision of sandwiches and snacks for participants.
 - Tasks include cleaning debris and wood around the ring, and a dump run.
- Action Items:
 - Ensure the area is clean and ready by March 31st.

6. Protocol for Communications and Social Media

- Discussion:

- Development of a protocol for managing social media accounts.
- Importance of understanding privacy laws and proper procedures.
- Action Items:
 - Protocol to be developed by Jennie in May.
 - Interim guidance to consult Lara before posting on Facebook.

7. Other Business

- Discussion:
 - Clarification on who can post and delete content on Facebook.
 - Only executive members and Lara have posting privileges.
 - Conclusion:
 - Meeting adjourned after addressing all agenda items.
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Next Meeting:

- Date: March 13, 2024
- Agenda: Finalize date for arena opening and review progress on ongoing tasks.