

**Rio Verde Horsemen's Association
Board of Directors' Meeting**

October 20, 2021 (via Zoom)

Attendees: Jenny Powers, Kim Edwards, Carmela Lizzo, Lori Bridwell, Judy Riley, Terry Stecyk,
Linda Vinson
Absent: Ruth Kaplan, Randy Goettsche
Committees: None other than BOD members
Guests: None

Meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m.

Reports:

Minutes - Jenny

Minutes from the June 14 meeting were distributed via email. Edits to the Water District section were made per information provided by Carmela and the minutes were redistributed. Motion to accept as edited was made and seconded. Minutes accepted. Jenny will send the final file to Frank to post to the RVHA website.

Treasurer's Report – Judy

The Treasurer's Report was distributed. It was suggested that the computer and storage shed be moved within the "Assets" category on the report to become "Fixed Assets" to separate the bottom total. It was thought this change would eliminate confusion regarding cash (liquid) versus assets (fixed). Discussion followed with the decision to leave as is because the BOD is aware of the difference and the report is not shared where it might generate confusion. Motion to approve, seconded. Report accepted.

Membership – Mo

There are currently 462 members for 2021 with 106 new members. Carmela will request copies of the updated directory with personal information deleted for use by Scottsdale Livestock and Karstens Ace Hardware relative to the discounts offered to members.

Area Awareness – Mike

The link to Scottsdale's information on the Reata Ranch development was distributed by RVHA and posted on social media along with a link to Fiesta Ranch information.

Water District Status

Legal hurdles are being addressed regarding the County's involvement in handling the water situation in our area. At his time there isn't anything RVHA can do for the community. Karen continues to work with Mr Chucri.

Social Committee – Carmela

Fall Dinner Dance Plus Silent Auction – October 23

The BOD decided to cancel this event.

Christmas Lights Tour – December

The event can be scheduled with one month's notice so the BOD will wait and see what COVID situation is like as the time gets closer.

Social Media – Terry

There are 1,434 “followers” for the Facebook page. Continue to submit items to post and continue to share posts to other sites to have RVHA reference on the share.

Round-up Newsletter - Linda

The next issue will publish in mid-November. Deadline for articles to Linda is November 10. Articles planned so far:

Pima/Dynamite Trailhead Update – Jenny

Horse related article – Lori

SW Wildlife Wolf Program – Linda

Request Mo send eblast to membership asking for article submissions.

Roadside Clean-up – Randy/Linda

Carmela is checking with Sabrina to schedule the next clean-up event.

Welcome Committee – Bonnie/Kim

It is estimated that 85 postcards have been mailed to new members since June.

Business Card Advertising – Kim

No report.

Bylaws Committee

Joanne is preparing the report on the results of the Bylaws review to be distributed to the BOD.

Old Business

Bruns/Micuda Lawsuit

Carmela has been dealing with misinformation from the Damon Bruns legal team referencing Carmela and RVHA in the “collective understanding” statements regarding support for the Bruns position. Jenny and Carmela will work on a strongly worded statement to make clear that neither Carmela personally nor as a representative of RVHA will be signing any documents relative to this lawsuit or settlement statement and requesting any references contained in the settlement statement to Carmela or RVHA be deleted. Carmela will copy Mr. Chucric and reserve the right to review and comment in the future should an SUP become a viable option in this situation

New Business

Promotion with Scottsdale Livestock

It was suggested that RVHA have a sign at the checkout counter, leave cards or have a flyer and membership forms to promote advantage of RVHA membership. Following discussion, it was decided that for now Terry will prepare an eblast on the membership benefits available at Scottsdale Livestock and Karsten’s Ace Hardware and will also share on social media.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be scheduled as a Zoom meeting in October.

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

Submitted by: Jenny Powers