

**Rio Verde Horsemen's Association
Board of Directors' Meeting
Annual Meeting of Membership
April 28, 2019**

Attendees: Terry Stecyk, Carmela Lizzo, Jenny Powers, Kim Edwards, Lori Bridwell, Mo Wachman; Randy Goettsche

Absent: Ann Meyers, Judy Riley

Committees: Lisa Goettsche, Newsletter

Guests: Sign-in not required

Meeting called to order at 11:52 a.m.

Reports:

Minutes - Jenny

Minutes from the March meeting were distributed March 15 via email and no edits were received. The approval is deferred to the next Board of Directors Meeting.

Treasurer's Report – Mo

The report was distributed to all attendees and included both a yearly summary and March-April information. For the benefit of the attendees Mo explained the status of accounts and explained the use of funds. The Board of Directors will have a budget meeting in June in conjunction with the regular Board meeting.

Membership Report - Mo

As of this meeting there are 435 members with 37 new for 2019. Total associate members is 57, total lifetime members is 44.

A reminder of RVHA discounts to members was provided for example; 10% off shelf items at Scottsdale Livestock and free feed delivery with minimum purchase at Karsten's Ace Hardware.

Area Awareness – Mike

A separate report was submitted and is attached to the minutes as an addendum.

Social Media – Terry

There are 1,124 "likes."

Social Committee – Carmela

Carmela provided highlights of the Fall Dinner Dance held at Miller Ranch and a report on the Dinner Dance with Silent Auction held at Reigning Grace Ranch in March. The Silent Auction generated \$2,145 and the 50/50 Raffle generated another \$300 due to the winner donating his proceeds to back to Reigning Grace. There was an additional \$30 onsite donation made. The Silent Auction proceeds will be used for the year ending charitable giving program by RVHA with input from the recent membership survey results.

Other activities mentioned were the Toys for Tots drive in December; donations to Board approved local charities for the 2018 year end; the very successful Christmas Lights Tour; and Snake Training offered to members and non-members, which resulted in 3 new members.

Old Business

Water Issues Update – Carmela

Carmela provided an update on the progress. At a meeting with the City of Scottsdale, information was requested on the drought plan in place for Scottsdale, processing water, and boundaries. The Task Force is waiting for a written summary letter.

Round-up Newsletter – Lisa

Lisa is currently working on the next issue and the deadline for submissions has not yet been established. Articles of interest are welcome even if not in a “finished” form as Lisa will edit.

Roadside Clean-up – Randy

There is a new sponsor, a realtor who will provide coffee, water and donuts for volunteers.

Advertising - Kim

There are 12 business card advertisers on the website with clickable links for more information.

Welcome Committee Postcard - Bonnie (Terry reporting)

Post cards are sent quarterly and 38 have been sent so far in 2019.

Membership Survey

The survey results summary will be published in an upcoming issue of the RVHA newsletter. The results were presented at the Annual Meeting of Membership.

Website Refresh Project

The website is being completely rebuilt and work is in progress. Photos have been delivered to Frank, who is designing the new site. An announcement will be made when the site is complete.

New Business

Election Results

Re-elected: Lori Bridwell, Kim Edwards

Newly elected: Judy Riley and Randy Goettsche

Mo is retiring from the Board after over 16 years of service, but will continue to support the email communication to members. Mo was thanked with a card and gift from the Board.

Election of Officers

Judy – Treasurer

Jenny – Secretary

Vice President – Carmela

President – Terry

Volunteers are needed, especially to support social events. Thanks to Jean and Ferrel for their continued assistance at events.

Arizona Horse Council

Jean Anderson provided an update on the Share the Trails event held in November 2018. Jean provided information on member benefits and on pending legislation.

FAA Contest

Lori explained the leadership-building skills, the goals of the organization and the involvement members have with showing and raising animals. Students may participate through their senior year of high school.

In January, Lori proposed to the RVHA Board, an essay contest for student to obtain FAA jackets to be sponsored by RVHA. Of the nine essays received, 6 met the criteria and were reviewed by an independent panel and keep the participants names anonymous during process. The 6 candidates selected will receive jackets at an approximate cost of \$500. A motion was made to approve the expense and seconded, passed without comment. Photos will be taken of the recipients wearing their jackets and posted on the website. A newsletter article will follow along with selected examples of the essays. RVHA is proud to support local children for this worthy cause.

PiAware Antenna

Randy has been working with a group of volunteers using PiAware antenna equipment to monitor and report on low flying aircraft over our community. He also helps to coordinate efforts to set meetings with appropriate organizations to address concerns and help find solutions.

Emergency Preparedness Safety Fair

Randy has arranged for a meeting on May 16 at 6:30pm to present local government input and planning and provide a forum for questions and answers by residents. More information to come.

Technical Large Animal Rescue Training

The next session will take place in early October. The target audience for participation will be fire station personnel and veterinarians who live in the area. RVHA will sponsor 2 participants in the program that is offered by AERO in Scottsdale. Also suggested for consideration were a staff member from Southwest Wildlife Conservation Center and Amanda or Chris from Reigning Grace Ranch. The decision to sponsor 2 individuals was made in a motion, seconded and approved. Terry will reach out to individuals to secure participants.

Next Meeting

Tuesday, June 4. Carmela volunteered for refreshments. Location to be determined as weather is a factor. **Update: Meeting date changed to Monday, June 3 at Kim Edwards' home.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Submitted by: Jenny Powers

Addendum: Area Awareness Report

RVHA – Annual Meeting

Area Awareness Report

Mike Oster

April 28, 2019

1. SNGC Roundabouts

Does anyone *really* want to talk about roundabouts?!...here you go—

2. Dynamite Foothills

a. Fiesta Ranch – So of RVD, 136th – 142nd

The thumb of land s/e of RV Drive and 136th the City picked-up when the Preserve was developed. This Lyle Anderson project will be 260 homes

On 273 acres – Pending. Big gated entrances at 138th and 141st. Excellent locations for more roundabouts, don't you think?...

b. **Sonoran Peaks** – 118th & Ranch Gate Rd

43 homes on 68 ac – Approved

c. **Asteria Highlands** – 128th & Ranch Gate Rd

31 homes on 40 ac – Pending

d. **Sereno Canyon** – 124th & Ranch Gate Rd

Toll Bros project of 257-367 homes on 258 acres

Phase 1 opens today with homes starting at \$1.4MM.

B-I-G project.

e. **Storyrock**– 128th & Ranch Gate Rd

Shea in contract to build the first 51 of 443 homes on this 462 ac property. Really B-I-G project.

Takeaway – expect more roundabouts on the Drive and Happy Valley Road to be elevated to freeway status.

3. Aircraft

(Terry has info on FAA meeting)

4. Trailheads

Granite Mountain Trailhead street access and parking lots at Fraesfield, Pima, and Dynamite will be closed from today until May 8. Trails, however, will be open during that period.

5. Trilogy

Phase 6 of 8 to start soon. Another 90 homes toward their 1355 homes