



IHTA MINUTES

September 20, 2022

Gino's Pizza, Saranac MI

Started at: 6:10 Attendance: Maggie VanDyken, Mickey Dawson, Kristie Walls, Jennifer Ross, Lea Burger, Tara Sowa, and Chris Blievernicht were present. Nancy Simmonds was excused.

Treasurer's Report: caught up from June through August, accepted as read.

Merchandise Report: We have a reasonable inventory – no order right now.

Membership Report: 80 memberships and 141 total members.

Trevor: Pond Picnic area table – a new one is in place and the worst was pulled. There is a tree top down on the U loop between 3 & 4, will relay to Trevor.

Events:

Workbee - Need to build replacement obstacle- Trevor will get more posts located near the obstacle, but it will be at least a couple of weeks. Chris will email info on honeycomb base we might want to use on new corral sites. Need to rake phase 2, Spider legs, rope curtain ties – Date? After CCO.

CCO October 1, Mickey will do Poker Ride, Lea will do 50/50,

Unfinished Business:

Signs to keep riders off Dog Trials area and (15) Signs for Corrals. West Staging Sign??

New Trails on NW side? 300 acres – walked it – stewardship?

PMP funding Vault Toilets project on hold.

New Business:

Chris reported on the Trail Building class he attended on behalf of IHTA. Part of day 1 was about land ownership issues and how to find who owns the land. Day 2 was in the field using a hand held tool to determine the slope of a trail, to keep a small slope so there is good drainage. Later days were very educational on how to repair wet trails – when a re-route is impossible. We need to get a key to the trailer for Chris to have access to tools.

Gift Baskets – maybe an idea for FTR – either game prizes or auction items.

Let's do a Games Planning meeting over the winter to come up with new ideas for FTR.

Adjourned: 7:30