

Equine Advisory Committee Meeting

May 7, 2013

Advisory Committee Members Present: Leah Leising, Luke Brainard , Len Brainard, , James Leising, Jim Little, Holly Parry, Melinda Nichols, Steve Lord, Annie Widger, Lindy Murphy, William Sprague

Advisory Committee Members Absent: Thomas Livak, Veronica Weber, Randy Mallaber, Amy Detine , Stacey Riley, Ruthe Riehle

General Attendance: James Isaacson, Vikki Rachaer, Cheri Stady, Lorie Stady

Chairman Lenny Brainard Called meeting to Order at 7:08 PM

Approval of Minutes

Jim Little motioned to approve minutes of the April 16, 2013 meeting. Luke Brainard Seconded. Carried

Membership

One Vacancy – Explanation of committee to General Attendance

Reports

Marketing

Little Valley Riders Club Trail ride is at the end of the month. June 7-9 Lou Eible Trail Ride at Allegany, May 19th – meet and great at 10 am for Chautauqua Trail riders, July 20th Dinner show at crosspatch, and lots more.

Advocacy/Education

Finished the Education program which went well. One comment from students was they wanted a real horse involved in demonstrations.

Lenny Brainard went to open space meeting and meeting talked about the fact that they shouldn't dredge the water way in Conewango, it should be left natural (DEC State Land).

Trails

Some trails need cleaned up, and marked on Little Valley trails. May 11th they will be cutting stuff at Bear creek in Franklinville, June 1st is National trails day to clean trails at 10 am.

Horse Resource

No updates.

Old Business –

Update Volume 4- Section 6 Pine Hill – Most of plan has been completed.

Would like to finish connection to Onoville Marina.

Franklinville – Bush Hill to other part of Bush- Logging now but would like to connect it.

Look at expanding other trails

Chapter 6 – Public Use trails – 26-28 parcels (approx. 2100 Acres) scattered throughout the county can we develop any for trails?

Update Pine Hill map proposal, need updated maps, tabled to next meeting.

New Business-

Planning Board – Farming issues with neighbors complaining (right to farm law), How do farmers protect their interests? Not going to change law, county wants a voice for farmers, need more local intervention in Little Valley to help mediate.

Cattaraugus County Horseman's Association – Lou Eible ride was chosen by Equifest winner

Next Meeting – September 24, 2013 at 7:00 PM, County Center, Little Valley

Adjournment 8:00 PM – Luke Brainard Motioned to adjourn, Jim Little seconded. Carried.

Respectfully Submitted by Melinda Nichols Secretary