





Secretary/Editor Penny Esplin <u>*PRESIDENT- Troy Ray*</u> <u>*VICE PRESIDENT- Christoph Schmidt*</u> <u>*TREASURER- Terrie Fox*</u>

Meeting Minutes from March 24th, 2022

<u>Meeting Called to Order</u>: We held our meeting in Troy's garage. After the Pledge of Allegiance, Troy called the meeting to order.

<u>Attendance:</u> There were 7 members present, including David Schmidt Jr.

<u>Secretary's Report:</u> Troy read through the minutes from February's meeting. Christoph made a motion to accept the minutes as read and Terrie seconded and was passed and approved by all.

<u>Treasurer's Report:</u> Treasury is looking good. Terrie reviewed our balance.

Troy mentioned purchasing and posting FEDERAL MINING CLAIM signs for our claims at \$4.95 per sign. We would want to post 2 signs per claim. We have 4 claims, so need 8 signs, total cost \$39.60. Troy knows someone who makes vinyl signs, he will let us know what he finds out.

Still need to contact Claudia and reimburse her for \$?? for Claims paperwork. We are hoping she will attend April's meeting.

Penny made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as read, Christoph seconded and it was approved by all.

Membership: We have 11 paid members currently.

Please **pay your membership dues of \$30 for this year.** Anyone who hasn't been a paid member for the last 2 years will be deleted from the email list. We have membership applications on hand at our meetings or you can find the forms on our website.

We discussed the layout of the membership forms. Need to know if the form has been filled out for RENEWAL or NEW MEMBERSHIP so Troy knows for whom to provide claims packets.

The Raffle has started up again this year! So please bring neat stuff we can put on the raffle table and bring some cash!

Other than the membership dues we receive, the **Raffle is our only other income that pays for our claims**. If we can continue to pay for our claims, we can continue as an ASSOCIATION.

<u>Claims Report:</u> Claudia is our Claims Officer. Need to reimburse her for doing our claims paperwork.

*If you plan to go to our Jeeter Creek claim, you need to first contact Troy 503-330-3169 so he can forward the permit and code to you. Access is limited to PAID MEMBERS ONLY.

-If you go to any of our claims, please get a Claim Maintenance slip from Troy and fill it out and return it to Troy or Penny and we will make sure Claudia gets it for our future claim's paperwork.

-Penny agreed to make up a sign for our Jeeter Creek claim, since the original sign and tree burned up. We will need to provide a post to nail it too! We should post a couple yellow metal Federal Mining Claim signs also.

In the News: Jeeter Creek Claim: Troy went to our claim on Saturday, March 19th. It has been logged completely from the road to the river, because of falling trees and hazards from the fire. The trail we made last year is no more, so we need to get another work party together for reworking the trail. The water was high.

He reports that there is a huge mess from the logging, and is wondering, when will they clean it up? Who to call? BLM? The Sherriff? Or both. Troy is pursuing this matter.

-We really need to take advantage of our Jeeter Creek claim, while we still have our private VIP status. The gate will be up until the fall of 2023. Let's go!

So, we have scheduled 5 OUTINGS to our nearby JEETER CREEK claim. The dates are as follows:

-April 30th, Saturday 10:00am -May 22nd, Sunday 10:00am -June 25th, Saturday 10:00am -July 24th, Sunday 10:00am -August 20th, Saturday 10:00am

We will discuss this in further detail at April's meeting.

<u>Miner's Meadow Outing/Camptrip:</u> We finally got it reserved! The official dates for this are as follows:

-September 23rd, Friday -check in 2:00pm -September 24th, Saturday -September 25th, Sunday -check out 11:00am

The cost of the reservation for 3 days totalled \$108.00 plus fees and taxes. Troy is being reimbursed as he has covered the cost as soon as he could to make sure he secured it. He had a hard time trying to get us a reservation, all dates were taken!

Penny made a motion to reimburse Troy for \$108.00 with a check, Christoph seconded and the motion was passed.

<u>RAFFLE:</u> Man, there are some nice raffle prizes on the raffle table! But because there were so few of us at the meeting, we decided to "table it", until April's meeting. When, with any luck, we'll have a larger attendance, and more eager raffler's. Please bring stuff for the raffle table! And bring your mad money!

Meeting Adjorned

<u>Next meeting is on Thursday, April 28th at 7:00 at Troy's place,</u> <u>Be There!</u>

Troy's address is 5127 Pummel Ct SE, Salem, OR 97317 Phone # is: 503-330-3169 (call in case you get lost) Directions:

5 mins east of I-5 headed east on hwy22 towards Stayton. You can take either exit 5, Joseph Street or exit 7, Silver Falls to reach his house. Park in the driveway or street, meeting will be in the garage.

