

Cattaraugus County

Equine Advisory Committee

Lenny Brainard, Chairman

Equine Advisory Committee Meeting

April 20, 2017

Advisory Committee Members Present: Leonard Brainard, Luke Brainard, Linda Murphy, Melinda Nichols, Becky Smith

Advisory Committee Members Absent: Emily Bailey, Amanda Dackowsky, Thomas Livak, Vicky Raecher, Holly Zendarski

General Attendance: Kori Eaker

Len called the meeting to order at 7:08pm

Melinda motioned to approve minutes from March 16, 2017, meeting. Luke seconded.

Committee Reports:

Marketing/Tourism: Becky reported that the brochure had been updated and distributed copies. Also mentioned that Creekside, Nash Hill and other various equine events throughout Cattaraugus County were listed on appropriate websites.

Trails: Luke reported that there will be some selective harvesting of logs by the DEC on State Land behind the Little Valley Riders Club. There will also be logging taking place in the Pine Hill area this summer as well. All logging roads will be smoothed when logging is finished.

Old Business: Linda reported that she had spoken with Tori from 4Hooves Farm regarding large animal rescue training. Tori suggested that we come up with some dates and an idea what sort of information we were looking for and get back to her for a price. Dates were discussed. Choices were September/October of 2017 or April/May of 2018. Len reported that the Conewango Fire Dept. was interested in partnering with the Committee on this project. There was discussion on locations for the training: JCC (Olean or Jamestown), the Corporate Building on the Cattaraugus County Fairgrounds, Randolph or Conewango Fire Departments.

Becky will contact Tori with info.

There was discussion on barn safety practices.

Members were encouraged to search for potential new committee members.

Next meeting will be Thursday, May 18, 2017, County Center in Little Valley

Melinda motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:45. Luke seconded.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Smith

