HV4W Meeting Minutes February 20, 2024

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance:

8:00 p.m. Crew, Poughkeepsie, NY

Prior Meeting Minutes:

• Motion and vote to adopt January meeting minutes - Adopted

President's Report:

- President Gennodie reported he attended the recent NEA meeting and shared their meeting minutes with HV4W. Continuing to amaze, NEA has acquired another new property ("Moose River") in western Massachusetts. It's mostly green and blue trails but there is a prohibition against tires greater than 40." Kevin is hoping to organize a ride there soo with some of the other member clubs.
- LIOR has asked HV4W to participate in a trail maintenance and clean-up event at a property in MA. Good green and blue trails but no trailer parking at the trail. Attendees will have to unload in a parking lot a few miles away and drive to the trail head.
- NOVA The board decided to move NOVA's banking to a more national bank with greater branch availability throughout the Northeast for better access and convenience. This effort is underway.
- Registration for TrailFest 2024 is coming up soon. The event wil take place the 3rd week of August.

Treasurer's report:

• J. Jackob reported the club's finances:

0	Cash	\$355
0	Paypal	\$0.00
0	Checking	\$4545
0	Savings	\$4058
	-	\$8957 Total

Mr. Jackob alerted the members the annual NEA dues (\$800) is coming due, as are taxes some minor expenses. Mr. Jackob also reminded the membership that dues season is over so please get your dues in or risk being dropped from the membership roll.

Secretary Report:

• The members were reminded to sign the annual club waiver – which is required to maintain good standing - and to sign the event-specific waiver at each event, before participating.

Trail report:

- Two rides were cancelled due to lousy weather conditions. Those who turned out enjoyed good rides at Track & Trails.
- NEA is hosting a snow run this coming weekend and Patriot Jeeps has invited HV4W members to a ride at their Farm property. Additional rides for March may be added.

Old Business:

- The club has been working with the Tar Hollow POs to get rides scheduled. We have to accommodate the schedules of others who have access to use this property.
- Registration for Wheeling 4 Warriors is coming up quick. This event is likely to sell out very fast so be alert.
- K. Gennodie is trying to keep in touch with the Scouts to acquire access to some property they have. Progress has been slow but this is continuing.
- Members were asked to send any photos of events, intended for posting to the club's social media sites, to the club's Insta and FB accounts where they will be vetted and posted by the club.

New Business:

- K. Gennodie has a lead on a potential property that may offer some opportunities for the club. A PO west of the Hudson is in the early stages of development of an overlanding trail system expected to also included camping accommodations. Kevin will report back on any further progress, if any.
- J. Jackob suggested the appointment of a Land Acquisition committee to focus and consolidate the research and pursuit of potential opportunities to expand HV4W's legal access to quality trails. This suggestion generated considerable discussion and interest.

Membership:

- Welcome back new Guests: Paul Ross; Garret Masterson; Anthony Dimicelli and James Burns.
- Upon indication by each of a desire to join the club as Members, motions were made and adopted to offer membership to Dave Wilson and Chris Grispin. Welcome.

• With a heavy heart K. Gennodie alerted the attendees of the recent passing of Gabor Ban. A moment of silence was observed.

Raffle:

• The 50/50 raised a total of \$300. After a grueling contest, with some very tough competition, congratulations went to Yours Truly with winning ticket number 747601.

Adjourned:

• Further sayeth not, the meeting adjourned at 9:18 p.m.