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Martha's Vineyard Horse Council Minutes 1/9/25

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM.

In attendance: Vici Surr, Jen Rand, Jill Lane, Nina McMann, Julie Flanders, Heather Maciel, Clare Harrington, Paul Buckley

Old Business:

Secretary: Printed report not available

Treasurer: Jen gave an oral report of the current finances which was approved.

Committee Reports:

Hunter: Samantha Look needs a firm commitment from someone to help her to be able to continue running the hunter shows.

Dressage: Jen Rand will commit to running one show, possibly in June. A second show is a possibility IF there is enough interest.

Education: Julie will look into having Lucile Bump come for a clinic, possibly in May.

Heather: Nevin's Farm will be coming to do a 2 day training on emergencies. They will coordinate with Fire/Rescue here on the island.

Day 1 - General Public

Day 2 - First Responders

They are looking at the last week in March or the first week in April for this event.

Scholarship: Clare spoke with someone at the High School to ensure that we are still included. She also sent information to the Charter School.

New Business:

Bylaws: The bylaws were reviewed and some changes in wording were made. Most changes were minor (e.g., replacing the words "monthly newsletter" with "monthly correspondence", updating the monthly meeting to the second Thursday of each month and changing the number of members needed for a quorum from 15 to 7.

It was agreed to eliminate Farm or Business memberships. It was recommended that officers serve in 3 year intervals. The changes were voted unanimously.

Horse Show Preparations: Jen Rand created a document outlining what is needed for horse shows at the Agricultural Hall, including site preparation, day of event needs and MVHC responsibilities. She will email this to Lauren and Chris and offer to meet with them if necessary.

Job Description Updates: Julie will look for old paperwork to pull this information together.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

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