

Dear council,

The following are my notes from last month's meeting. Also included are some updates related to discussion at the meeting.

The meeting commenced at 7 pm at Tap N Fill.

Minutes were accepted.

The treasurer's report remained unchanged from April

The April meeting was notably packed. It was also quite well presented. We had some interested new members who were referred to the website for sign-up forms because our treasurer wasn't present. Hopefully this wasn't a lost opportunity, but we might want to consider how to make joining easier. Credit card processing on-site with Square and possibly Paypal and a web form could be beneficial. In this day, payment shouldn't be a hassle.

Towards that end, I created a Square account in the name of the Idaho Alpine Club, Inc, and ordered a free reader. It took me less than 5 minutes. Doing this much is free. Should we actually use it, the cost is 2.75% per transaction. See their [schedule](#) for more details. The account is not linked to our bank account because I actually don't have that information immediately available. We can talk about this later.

The picnic will be held at Bill's place on Wednesday, August 2, 6:30 pm, the first Wednesday of August. We agreed to raffle a big prize valued up to \$150; it will likely be a pack. Its selection will be at Chris Henvit's discretion. A free membership and a t-shirt were also suggested as raffle prizes. Should we receive a supply of potato products from Idahoan, these will be handed out as door prizes.

I (Jason Walleser) was assigned the task of merging our Facebook [organization](#) page with the newly created [group](#) page. Towards this end, I *linked* the group to the organization. This improves visibility of the group because the group can be accessed from the organization page and vice versa. The group page supports member posts, events, and discussion. Posts in either page (group or organization) can be shared with the other or anywhere you'd like. Only members with sufficient permissions can push something from the group to the organization page. For me, it is easy to push from the group to the organization.

I'm still working on the newsletter and am collecting content. I would have liked to have already sent it out by now, but I don't see that happening until later this month. Chris and/or Herschel was going to write a Council Speaks section. We could use a trip report. Sue, would you or any other member who went on one of the hikes like to write something? I'm open to suggestions on other content. Ultimately, the newsletter will be mailed to currently paying members.

The cost of our web hosting was questioned. Chris was to get more information on the annual cost and

possibly other hosting services for discussion in the next council meeting.

The next council meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, June 13 at Tap-N-Fill at 7:00 PM.

-Jason