

Asotin County Fair Board Minutes September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021

6:30Pm Meeting called to order.

Steve made a motion to excuse Barb, Jamie, and Courtney. Alene second the motion. Motion passed. Chad & LaNae called in.

4-H & FFA Boosters/Cattlemen: Charlotte reported nothing from the boosters at this time. Cattlemen meet next Thursday. Charlotte would like a copy of the minutes where approval was made to have the Cattlemen shed on the fair property.

Superintendents: Arlene reported Dave Felkins the floral superintendent had to have surgery. We can get his contact information from Connie Bond.

Extension Office: Kim said they sent out promo for new 4-H year. Open enrollment is October 1<sup>st</sup>-November 15<sup>th</sup>. WSU mandated that all 4-H volunteers must be vaccinated. Via WSU wording exemption Individuals will not be able to be around people. More information to come on exemptions.

Approve minutes from July 14<sup>th</sup>. Peggy made corrections. Minutes will stand approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: Bills to pay, Kelley Connect \$50.91, Tractor Repair done by the county \$738.18, Pendleton Hotel Room 3-nights for Royalty \$891.45, CHS Primeland \$131.11. If you use the gas card to get gas please remember to turn in the gas receipt to either Shan or Peggy please. Cards expire December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Nelly broadcasting \$500.00, TDS \$71.55, and Hall Refund to Debbie Schmidt \$125.00 due to Covid. Need to vote to pay Nelly broadcasting invoice. Arlene made a motion to pay the invoice, Steve seconded. Motion passed. Steve would like to see the bill from the county so we can see what work was done to the tractor.

Royalty not present at meeting.

Bylaws tabled until October meeting.

Trick r' Trunk: Evan cannot chair Trick r' Trunk this year, need to cancel or someone needs to volunteer to chair it. LaNae volunteered to chair Trick r' Trunk.

Grants: Peggy and Steve will meet with electrical & heating reps tomorrow at fairgrounds at 5:30pm. Received paving estimate from the county. Chad will work on grant wording for the applications.

Fair & Rodeo Dates April 22, 23, & 24<sup>th</sup> 2022

Discussed Fundraiser dates that would be best. January & February dates won't work since it is too close to the fundraiser we just had. July is too late since that is prime rodeo and parade season. It was discussed to have the fundraiser on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Arlene made a motion to have the fundraiser on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Shan seconded. Motion passed. 5-yes 2-no

Fair Theme: Kim sent out another email about the fair theme. We will vote in December.

Rodeo: Shan reported that there is a T-Mobile Hometown Grants. 1-million dollars to improve small community rodeo arenas. Shan will send Chad the information to review before we request permission

to apply through the county. Shan has been talking to the secretary at Pro-West. This is new secretary then before when we had Pro-West rodeo. Shan asked Carlie for copies of all of the rodeo contracts and paperwork. The paperwork was delivered to the fair office in grocery bags. Shan also received Carlie's key. We still need Tim & Tammy's Keys. Shan feels it would be valuable for the rodeo to have their own laptop. Shan cannot put county documents on her work computer. This laptop would have all contracts on it and anything pertaining to record keeping for rodeo information. Peggy suggested asking Chris Kemp for a laptop. Peggy will get our other laptop to Courtney to take the minutes on, so she isn't using her personal computer. There is only three people left on the rodeo board. Heidi, Moresa, & Trista. Peggy will reach out to them to see if they are still willing to participate. Arlene suggested the fair board should have a say in who is chosen for the rodeo board. Shan would like permission to reach out to some people to see if they would be interested. Shan suggested making the rodeo board 5-members not 15. Those 5 board members can then get people to help them. Shan suggests when reaching out to sponsors we use verbiage such as Fair & Rodeo Sponsorship. Pro-West rodeo would be Friday & Saturday, and Kids rodeo would be Sunday. Peggy Received a call from Scott with the Lewiston Roundup needing to come get the mutton busting chutes since we have a verbal agreement with them trade our chutes for their groomer.

Chris Seubert: Out of Town

Old Business: Chad reported on the new fridge we did receive, but Janice sent out an email that the wrong fridge was disposed of due to lack of communication, but the county will go back to the landfill and pick it back up.

New Business: Cindy has two ideas to share. Wants to know if the fair board would consider having a craft fair. Peggy said it didn't work in the past due to saturation of the market but told Cindy to put together a plan of when, how much, how many tables etc., and bring it to the next fair board meeting. Cindy wanted to know if we are willing to donate the leftover hand sanitizer to Pomeroy and Nez Perce Fairs since the date on it will expire. Arlene wants to use a work day to clean out the storage units on the upper grounds. And then a workday to clean up all of the old dead trees. Shan suggested using inmates or those needing community service hours. Kim suggested contacting Gerald Schurmer.

Next Workday: we will schedule at next fair board meeting. Maybe October 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup>.

Cindy will contact John Freeman about using the Master Gardeners to clean and update in front of the Bennett Building. Cindy will get the information from John and bring it back to the next fair board meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 7:33pm