RICHLAND COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Meeting Minutes

August 22nd, 2023

Jamie Schaub called the meeting to order at 1901 and led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance. 23 board members present 4 absent.

Guests: Bill McFarland, Pam Tucker, Judy Villard-Overocker, Walt Stephens, Dave Yoder, Deb Boyce, and Kathy Mills.

Previous Meeting Minutes: Motion made by Tom Craft to approve July 23rd meeting minutes, Dale Bemiller seconded the motion, motion carried and passed.

Treasure's Report: Shirley Swihart sent out treasures report via email. Motion made by Scott Smith to approve treasures report for later audit, motion was seconded by Kim Moore, motion carried and passed.

-Guest Dave Yoder spoke about our website and what he has done and plans to do. Gave overview of how to utilize and promote our website for his donation.

Events Coordinator Report: Kim Moore passed out events calendar. Reported about Crawford 5yr. dog show contract. Addressed Susan with Ink title and current employment status.

Committee Reports:

- -T-Shirt: Nothing to report.
- -Budget: Next meeting will be Oct. 6th @ 3pm.
- -Grounds: Dave Grauer reported that a few hydrants need fixed in campgrounds. Will have Wed evening work nights starting at 530.
- -Livestock Committee: David Dick reported that LS sale was a record at over 1 million. All rule suggestions need to get to JFB.
- -Nature Park: Gene Esbenshade reported that he heard positive feedback.
- -Campgrounds: Krista Dull reported that there were several dogs in campgrounds and had some issues. Spoke about camp spot swap.
- -Racetrack: Dale Bemiller reported races went well during fair. Heard a lot of positive comments on new wood fence.
- -Fair book: Nothing to report.
- -Jr. Fair Board: Judy Villard Overocker reported JFB raised 3400# for the trailer donation. Thank you, cards are due Sept. 15th. as well as JFB applications. Rule suggestions are due Dec. Brought up that back door of JFB office is leaking. Judge issues: 3 canceled but they found replacements.

- -By-Laws: David Dick reported they will be meeting soon.
- -Golf Carts: Scott Smith reported next year he will increase how many we get.
- -Sponsorship: Christy Keith thanked those who helped get sponsorship.
- -Admissions: Nothing to report.
- -Nominating/Elections: Nothing to report.
- -Grandstands: Nothing to report.
- -Antique Barn: Nothing to report.
- -Concessions: Nothing to report.
- -Parking: Nothing to report
- -Horse Relations: Marla Reynolds reported next meeting is Sept 19th. Fair went well.
- Raffle: Christy Keith said Gun raffle will be March 2nd.
- -Social Media: Nothing to report.
- -Safety: Nothing to report
- -Infield Grandstand Entertainment: Nothing to report
- -Winter Storage: Steve Lantz reported drop off dates are Oct. 21st and Nov 4th. Move out/pick up is April 13th.
- -Show Arena: David Dick reported that fire suppression might be needed waiting to hear.
- -Judge Selection: Nothing to report
- -Kitchen Aux: Amanda Lantz went over fair and issues, read Dave Fackler's text.
- -Landscaping: Nothing to report

Old Business:

-Will meet Aug. 30^{th} @ 5pm to get a job title and description to post job for office/treasure and events coordinator position.

New Business:

- Christy Keith proposed a Reverse raffle for Nov. 18th, went over details. Motion made by David Dick to have a Reverse raffle on Nov. 18th, motion was seconded by Luke Grauer, motion carried and passed.
- -Fair Results: SFB went over and wrote on dry erase board, Christy to take notes.
- -2024 Goals:
 - Arts & Crafts needs interior painted, ceiling needs done, replace exterior man doors.

- -Ceiling in Fairhaven.
- -Paint youth hall ceiling.
- -Washer/dryer in Red Barn.
- -Replace and upgrade to 50amp by rows in campground, run electric off Lantz Rd.
- -Fix entrance gates
- -Fix row A in campground to level spots/row.
- -Metal race barns and level stalls, approx. \$2500 in stone, and a metal donation.
- -Landscaping front of FH
- -Grandstand lighting; Jeremy Lucas to help.
- -OFMA is Jan 4th-7th, let Christy know if you are planning on attending. Discussion on delegate. Motion made by Christy Keith to have Gene Esbenshade as our delegate and Jamie Schaub as our alternate for OFMA meeting, motion seconded by Zac Tuttle, motion carried and passed.
- -Next years proposed fair date is August 4th-10th. Motion made by Carol Toms to apply for Aug. 4-10th for the RC 2024 fair, motion was seconded by Marla Reynolds, motion carried and passed.
- -Motion made by Luke Grauer to spend up to 6k to raise the poultry barn garage door for winter storage, motion was seconded by Zac Tuttle, motion carried and passed.
- -Motion made by Christy Keith to allow Shirley Swihart to ask for fair funds from the ODA, motion was seconded by Remington Blevins, motion carried and passed.

Adjournment: David Dick moved to adjourn meeting, motion was seconded by Gene Esbenshade, motion carried and passed. Meeting adjourned @ 2148.

Respectfully Submitted by Amanda Lantz