



PO Box 142

Broken Bow, NE 68822

MEETING MINUTES
April 17, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM at the Shooting Sports Building by President Kent Nelson. The meeting notification and agenda were posted in advance at the Custer County Courthouse, on the CCAS Website, the CCAS Facebook page and emailed to each board member. Members presents were, Kent Nelson, Ashley Garrelts, Shane Ryan, Casey Cooksley, Blair Hartman, and Charmayne Popp, Members absent: Rodney Lamb, Marla Stallbaumer, and Steve Horn. Others present were Admin. Michelle Nelson, KCNI—Grant Winterer, UNL Extension--Troy Walz, and Dwain Bryner.

AGENDA:

7:05 p.m. **NE Open Meetings Act**-President Nelson informed those present of the location and availability of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act publication.

Minutes

- **Approve Minutes of March 9, 2023, Regular Board Meeting**
Minutes of the March 9, 2023, Regular Board Meeting were reviewed.
Garrelts made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Cooksley.
Roll call vote:
Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman, Cooksley, Nelson
Voting No:
Abstaining:
Absent: Ryan, Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn
Motion carried.
Ryan entered the meeting at 7:06 pm.
- **Approve Minutes of March 12, 2023, Special Meeting**
Minutes of the March 12, 2023, Special Meeting were reviewed.
Cooksley made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Garrelts.
Roll call vote:
Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman, Cooksley, Ryan, Nelson
Voting No:
Abstaining:
Absent: Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn
Motion carried.

Financial Report

- **Approve to pay monthly bills**
Following are the account balances of March 30, 2023
Events Account: \$0.00
Livestock Account: \$7,515.30 Total Capital Fund: \$-\$30,821.33
Memorial Funds: \$5,708.03 Total General Fund: \$88,448.07
Storm Damage: \$223,710.12 Savings Account: \$18,470.22

Cooksley moved to pay the monthly bills. Seconded by Popp.

Roll call vote:
Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman, Cooksley, Ryan, Nelson
Voting No:

Abstaining:
Absent: Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn
Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- **Extension Office**
Premium book has been drafted and is in the final stages of edits prior to publication.
Working on securing judges for the livestock shows.
- **4-H Council**
Presented by Troy Walz: Council approved the horse proposal of early release on Wednesday and to allow families that are showing other livestock to bring their horses the day of the show. The council also selected the awards for the livestock shows at fair.
- **Administrator**
Admin Nelson has submitted the Custer County Tourism grants and also submitted a grant application to Farm Credit Services of America for funding to assist with the cost of the fans if the board chooses to put them in.
Working on getting Mid-States details lined up.
The rotary, and potentially a 4-H club, is willing to help remove the playground equipment at Custer School, if the board would like to take it and put it on the fairgrounds. A plan needs to be in place and have the equipment removed by early May.
New employee started on Monday, April 10th. Admin Nelson is a touch point for them and otherwise they are being productive and taking care of things as needed.
Admin Nelson has also hired a high school student who will start full time after school gets out but is going to work part time until then.
The Blackwidow needs some repair—Kent is working on that.
Admin Nelson mentioned that she would still like to hold a demo derby but is looking for options that will not cause the backlash that we have previously received.
Cooksley suggested just making a simple dirt berm and portable bleachers for the time until we know if the event will be a success.
Admin Nelson also suggested planting some sort of cover on the bare spots. Cooksley suggested planting rye for the time being. Nelson will work on it.

NEW BUSINESS:

Disc/dec - Audit Report—Tabled until May

Disc/dec – Hiring of 2 individuals to help Colleen during fair – 90 hours max each – minimum wage
Hartman moved to allow Colleen to hire 2 individuals, 90 hours max each, at minimum wage. Seconded by Cooksley.

Roll call vote:

Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman, Cooksley, Ryan, Nelson

Voting No:

Abstaining:

Absent: Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn

Motion carried.

Disc/dec - Paying mileage for County Fair Judges

**Hartman moved to pay mileage to the county fair judges at the government rate.
Seconded by Popp.**

Roll call vote:

Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman, Cooksley, Ryan, Nelson

Voting No:

Abstaining:

Absent: Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn

Motion carried.

Disc/dec - Manure Pile

Manure pile needs taken care of; Pres. Nelson will work on finding a solution.

Disc/Dec – Hog Barn roof replacement

We received estimates from Pearson Construction and Sandhills Custom Carpentry to replace the hog barn roof. The Pearson estimate also includes the gutters and snow stops for the indoor arena.

Cooksley moved to accept the estimate from Sandhills Custom Carpentry to replace the roof on barn 2 (hog barn). Seconded by Garrelts.

Roll call vote:

Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman, Cooksley, Ryan, Nelson

Voting No:

Abstaining:

Absent: Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn

Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Disc/dec – Big fans for indoor arena and Custer County Farm Bureau Show Ring

The board discussed the options of potentially putting in commercial sized ceiling fans in the open air show arena rather than the large fans. Admin Nelson will get estimates on those. Concern was expressed about the cost of this project however also noted that the winter ball funds were designated for this project this year. There was discussion about how the installation of the fans in the indoor arena could be a benefit to future improvements as well. The discussion of the open show arena was noted that the middle of the arena gets stuffy and has minimal air movement, especially when the bleachers are full.

Cooksley made the motion to purchase big fans for the indoor arena, using the winter ball funds, per the Greenland Construction bid. Seconded by Garrelts.

Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman, Cooksley, Ryan, Nelson

Voting No:

Abstaining:

Absent: Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn

Motion carried.

Ryan will contact three electricians to come provide an estimate for the purchase and installation cost of putting commercial sized ceiling fans in the open show arena.

OTHER CONCERNS

Cooksley asked if we were okay on waiting on a shop project and tools and Admin Nelson said that the employees have been getting by. We have store credit at Napa and Admin Nelson will look into the store credit and work on potentially purchasing a few sets of complete tools. The board also asked Admin Nelson to contact a carpenter about framing in a door on the shed that is being used for tools.

Dwain Bryner shared a drawing of an idea for the bathrooms behind the grandstands, that he created, with the board for consideration.

ADJOURNMENT: Roll Call

Ryan made a motion to adjourn at 8:18, seconded by Hartman.

Voting yes: Garrelts, Popp, Hartman Cooksley, Ryan, Nelson

Voting No:

Abstaining:

Absent: Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn

Motion carried.

Blair Hartman, Secretary