



Regular Board Meeting
March 10, 2022

The meeting notification and agenda were posted in advance at the Custer County Courthouse, on the CCAS Website, the CCAS Facebook page and e-mailed to each board member.

Members present were Rodney Lamb, Casey Cooksley, Kent Nelson, Shane Ryan, Steve Horn, Charmayne Popp & Marla Stallbaumer.

Members absent: Ira Spanel (**entered the meeting at 7:37**) & Blair Hartman

Others present were Admin. Michelle Nelson, KCNI-Emily Barnett, Custer County Chief-Mona Weatherly, County Supervisor Dwain Bryner, 4-H Council Rep. Chase Christen and McKenzie Beals.

AGENDA items:

7:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Pres. Nelson.

NE Open Meetings Act

-Pres. Nelson informed those present of the location and availability of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act publication.

Minutes

• Approve Minutes of February 10, 2022, Regular Board Meeting

Minutes of the February 10, 2022, regular board meeting were reviewed.

Horn made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Cooksley.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Ryan, Horn, Popp, Stallbaumer, Lamb, Cooksley & Nelson

Voting No: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Spanel & Hartman

Motion carried.

Financial Report

• Approve to pay monthly bills

Following are the account balances in the various accounts as of February 28, 2022.

Events Account: \$7,344.05

Livestock Account: \$10,201.51

Memorial Funds: \$6,245.03

Storm Damage: \$134,808.11

Capital Fund \$-29,370.60

General Fund: \$156,666.70

Savings Account: \$11,106.12

Discussions - Pres. Nelson noted that Dana F. Cole charged us \$12,000 to correct IRS mistakes from previous years.

Cooksley made a motion to approve the financial report and pay the bills seconded by Horn.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Ryan, Horn, Popp, Stallbaumer, Lamb, Cooksley & Nelson

Voting No: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Spanel & Hartman

Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- **Extension Office—**

—No report

- **4-H Council**

---Chase Christen reported that the officers are as follows: Pres. Jeff Witthuhn, VP Chase Christen, Secretary Joyce Racicky and Treasurer Christie Berghorst. April 1st is 4-H Enrollment. March 1st premium book sales ads were turned in and Morris Press will do the premium book again this year.

- **Grounds Manager**

---JJ Martin was absent. Admin. Nelson reported that he had been setting up for roping and barrel racing events. Took down a large cottonwood tree by barn 21. Welded supports on bleachers and completed service logs for equipment.

- **Administrator**

—The weekends are almost completely booked April 9th - September. The fair concert of Casey Donahue was announced Monday, March 7th. She is working with them to promote more advertising for the event. April 4th Micro Wrestling will return. Pres. Nelson brought up the idea of getting the CWF or possibly using their license to serve food at the event with the proceeds of the food going to the entertainment for the kids during fair. Jim Warrington with Miller & Associates from Kearney is working on a plan for a platform in front of the grandstands to make it ADA compliant and submit a bid.

OLD BUSINESS:

Disc/dec – Winter Ball 2022 Recap

---Admin Nelson reported that once we are refunded for the sales tax on the food that was served the net income will be \$26,143.57. This was the best year to date. The board congratulated Nelson and thanked her for all of the work she put into the Winter Ball.

Disc/dec – Mid States Contract

— Admin Nelson presented the board with a preliminary contract she has been working on for 2023-2024. After the board reviewed it and made a few suggestions, she will have the contract ready to be finalized at the April board meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Disc/dec – Need for Membership Code of Conduct

— There was a recent incident where an individual with an annual membership sent a rude text to an individual with a day pass, who was pulling a sled in the indoor. The individual with the annual membership proceeded to tell the other individual that sleds were not allowed in the indoor arena because they ruin the dirt. This is becoming an ongoing issue. If members have issues with other members, it was decided that they need to contact the CCAS or Admin. Nelson. Admin. Nelson will post a sign in the indoor arena and on the website stating this. Everyone needs to remember that the indoor is open to any paying member. It was also noted that on Nov. 10, 2011 the following Personal conduct on the Fairgrounds Premises was adopted by the CCAS and states: *The fairgrounds is the private property of the Custer County Agricultural Society. Persons attending events on the fairgrounds are expected to maintain proper deportment while on the grounds. This includes illegal acts, as well as verbal and physical abuse towards each other and towards animals. Individuals who may be in violation of this policy are subject to being directed to cease their behavior immediately, or be dismissed from the fairgrounds premises. Persons*

authorized to act on behalf of the Custer County Agricultural Society include police officers, the Fairgrounds manager, the Custer County Extension Educator, and any director of the Custer County Agricultural Society (Fairboard member). If necessary, the Custer County Sheriff may be called upon to assist.

OTHER CONCERNS:

—Spanel questioned the current employee situation. In light of the current economy he wonders if there is a need to move away from multiple part time hourly employees and go to an additional full time employee. This would allow two full time employees to alternate weekends. It was brought up that even in doing so an additional part time hourly employee may be needed during big events and fair.

ADJOURNMENT: At 7:54 pm Horn made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Cooksley.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Ryan, Popp, Spanel, Lamb, Stallbaumer, Horn, Cooksley & Nelson

Voting No: None

Abstaining: None

Absent: Hartmen

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Marla Stallbaumer