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Meeting Minutes

July 14, 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, Blair Hartman, Kent Nelson, Shane Ryan, Marla Stallbaumer, Casey Cooksley, Ashley Garrelts & Rodney Lamb.

Members absent: Charmayne Popp,

Others present were Admin. Michelle Nelson, KCNI-Emily Barnett, KCNI-Grant Winter, Troy Walz UNL Extension, Dwayne Bryner, Deb Bryner, Kent Meyers-Custer County Farm Bureau

AGENDA:

The meeting was called to order by Pres. Nelson.

7:01 p.m.

NE Open Meetings Act

Lamb made a Motion to amend the agenda to add Grounds Manager resignation to New Business. Hartman seconded.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Cooksley, Popp, Ryan,

Motion carried

Minutes

- **Approve Minutes of June 9, 2022 Regular Board Meeting**

Minutes of the May 12, 2022 regular board meeting were reviewed.

Stallbaumer made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Lamb.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb,

Voting No: None

Abstaining: Horn

Absent: Cooksley, Popp, Ryan,

Motion carried.

Financial Report

- **Approve to pay monthly bills**

Following are the account balances in the various accounts as of April 31, 2022.

Events Account: \$7344.05

Livestock Account: \$12,413.87

Memorial Funds: \$5,708.03

Storm Damage: \$134,808.11

Capital Fund \$-29,370.60

General Fund: \$120,118.90

Savings Account: \$11,111.66

Hartman made a motion to pay the bills seconded by Horn.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Cooksley, Popp

Motion carried.

Committee Reports

- **Extension Office**

Carcass weigh out had 21 head on Monday, July 11. Amy Tharp is getting donations for the Custer County Boosters and requested that Rodney Lamb bid at the Livestock Auction for the Custer County Boosters. Extension office will send out letters to the potential base bidders. CWF is going to clean concession stands on Tuesday July 19 and Exhibit Hall on Friday July 22. CWF will be serving concessions at the Lineman Rodeo. Verified that the scales have been certified and that the PA system is being checked.

Shane Ryan entered the meeting at 7:10 pm.

- **4-H Council**

Next meeting is Monday July 18 at 7:30pm.

- **Grounds Manager**

No Report

- **Administrator**

Events

Working to collect payment from a few previous events.

Building Demolition Grant

The grant for the building demolition opened July 13. Chris provided a proposal that included everything to get rid of the buildings and remove the concrete. Admin. Nelson is waiting for further information from the grant regarding how many proposals we need. Michelle has contacted the mayor to have the fee waived to take the wood to the city; she is submitting a written request. Admin Nelson explained to the board that the Ag Society would pay for the expenses upfront and then the grant will reimburse based on what is recyclable. Garrelts mentioned that the proposal will need to include the % of material that will be saved. Admin Nelson will gather more information and is going to start working on the application.

Ground updates

Doggett Tree Services will be grinding tree stumps before fair.

Talon Electric is installing the light on the Sheep and Goat barn as well as fixing a few camper hook ups.

The cooler under the grandstands and the Shooting Sports building as well as the pop coolers have been maintenance.

Yandas provided a rough estimate to fix the PA system for Trotter Arena, correctly, of about \$21000-\$25000.

Yandas estimate to fix the PA system in the Livestock Barns and wires would be \$1500 and they would try to complete the project by fair. Admin. Nelson will ask what the cost is to go underground with the wires at the Livestock barns.

Stallbaumer made a motion to fix the Barn 6 speaker and fix the wires to the PA system for \$1500. Seconded by Ryan.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Cooksley, Popp,

Motion carried.

Concert

Stallbaumer made a motion to provide the \$500 buyout to the band to not do the rider.

Ryan seconded.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Cooksley, Popp,

Motion carried.

As of 7/14 Admin Nelson has raised \$32,000 for the concert.

Misc.

Admin Nelson purchased a ticket booth that was built by Elm Creek Shop class and is looking for someone to pick up the building on Friday or Monday. Pres. Nelson will go get the building.

Admin Nelson rented a generator for the campers and the generator has 9 campers with it.

There are two spots left at the horse barns and all other hookups are full.

Cooksley entered the meeting at 7:45 pm.

- **Grounds Committee**

There are a few items that need to be taken care of primarily around the grandstands before fair to clean things up.

--Thoughts are to schedule a work night prior to fair.

--Will send date and time to 4-H to ask for youth participation.

OLD BUSINESS:

Disc/dec –

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NEW BUSINESS:

Disc/dec-Grounds Manager resignation

Pres. Nelson received a verbal resignation from JJ Martin effective immediately. Pres. Nelson will put together a hiring committee to figure out the details of going forward.

Admin. Nelson said that Martin had put an ad in the paper to higher two more people for fair. Only 2 people picked up applications.

At 7:53 Stallbaumer made a motion to go to executive session to discuss personnel. Seconded by Cooksley.

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn, Cooksley

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Popp,

Motion carried.

At 8:12 Stallbaumer made a motion to come out of executive session to discuss personnel.

Seconded by Horn.

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn, Cooksley

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Popp,

Motion carried.

Pres. Nelson appointed a personnel committee of Shane Ryan, Ashley Garrelts, and Kent Nelson. The committee will meet with the employees on Friday, July 15 to make a plan for managing the grounds.

Disc/dec – Mileage for Judges – as of July 1st, increased to .625

Hartman made a motion to pay the judges for fair a mileage rate of .625. Seconded by Horn.

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn, Cooksley

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Popp,

Motion carried.

Disc/dec – Tax Levy Request for 2022-2023

Horn made a motion to request the 2.5% increase in the levy for a total request of \$182,178, seconded by Garrelts.

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn, Cooksley

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Popp,

Motion carried.

Horn made a motion to request the addition 1% increase in the levy for total request of \$183,956, seconded by Stallbaumer.

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn, Cooksley

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Popp,

Motion carried.

Disc/dec – Possibilities of future Demo Derbies

Admin Nelson met with Logan from Wreckless Promotions. They are interested in getting a derby in Broken Bow. Admin Nelson received guidance from Logan on the minimum requirements in order to host the derby in a location that is not in front of the grandstands. He also included requirements to host it in front of the grandstands.

Cooksley brought up the fact that we are talking about fixing the grandstands and they are not getting used for anything besides livestock events.

Board discussion was that the arena was built as a multipurpose area and currently less than 10 events are in the outdoor arena. Admin Nelson pointed out that this is a different sponsorship group and a different client group that we are bringing in.

Admin Nelson is going to pursue collaboration opportunities and gather more information.

Disc/dec – 2022 Fair Responsibilities

Board decided that it will be an expectation that board is present through the week.

OTHER CONCERNS

ADJOURNMENT: Roll Call

Hartman At 8:33 pm Ryan moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Stallbaumer .

Roll call vote:

Voting Yes: Stallbaumer, Ryan, Garrelts, Nelson, Hartman, Lamb, Horn, Cooksley,

Voting No: None

Abstaining:

Absent: Popp,

Motion carried.

Agenda is kept continuously current and open for public inspection in the office of the Custer County Fairgrounds Administrator. The Custer County Fair Board/Custer County Ag Society may go into Executive Session on any issue if the need arises.

Respectfully submitted,
Blair Hartman, Secretary