**Minutes**

**Sarpy County Agriculture Society**

**January 24, 2022**

**6 p.m.**

**Sarpy County Fair Grounds**

1. Roll Call Meeting called to order at 6:00 PM by President Jim Jansen; Present were Jim Jansen, Dwayne Lang, Chad Heinert, Mike Rudolph, Tanner Stock, Jake Kinman, Curtis Rainge, Cody Ruff, Ron Tex Jr, Joe Smisek and Scott Voss and Tyler Krapp.
2. Proof of Publication presented by Mike Rudolph
3. Public meeting notice and proof of Public Meeting Laws. Noted on the south wall of the Sarpy County Agriculture Society board office.
4. Approval of minutes of November 29, 2021, monthly meeting.
   1. Motion made by Dwayne Lang to approve the minutes of the monthly meeting seconded by Jake Kinman. Tyler Krapp and Curtis Rainge abstained the vote.
5. Treasures Report
   1. Motion made by Dwayne Lang to approve the treasures report as presented seconded by Cody Ruff.
6. Property Managers Report
   1. 2022 Rentals
      1. Sarah reviewed the 2022 rental calendar
   2. Dan Williams
      1. Dan wanted to talk to the board about the firework rentals for 2022. This topic was tabled and will be discussed at the February meeting.
   3. October 8, 2022, Fireworks
      1. The board voted no, as we do not know what the state of the south grounds will be in at that time due to the water / sewer project.
   4. April – Fundraiser
      1. No show
   5. Free Rentals
      1. We reviewed that each free rental has to place a deposit, provide insurance and is responsible for cleaning the building.
7. SVFD / SCSO
   1. Dennis reported that the AED’s that were donated, one being donated by the Ag Soeciey, have been used 17 times with having 3 saves.
8. Old Business
   1. Sarpy County Cities Wastewater Agency
      1. They are currently on the grounds working, they will continue until June 1st.
   2. Lights in the Arena
      1. Chad Heinert made a motion to approve up to $15,000 to replace the lights in the Rodeo arena seconded by Scott Voss.
      2. Chad Heinert made a motion to approve up to $59,000 to replace the lights in the south Motorsports complex on the contestant side seconded by Cody Ruff.
   3. Re tinning the maintenance building
      1. Chad Heinert made a motion to approve up to $30,000 to retin and replace the garage doors on the maintenance building seconded by Curtis Rainge.
   4. Premium Auction
      1. They would like to host the premium auction with the pie auction, they are working with the 4H council to organize it.
      2. They will allow: Rabbits, Chickens, Sheep, Goats, Hogs and Cattle.
      3. It will be for purple ribbon winners only.
      4. They are working with Tom Schram to organize it also.
9. New Business
   1. Approval of 2022 Fair Contracts
      1. Curtis Rainge made a motion to approve the following contracts: McKay Rodeo for Friday and Saturday night stock $9,100, Double S for Wednesday night stock $9,500 along with $5,750 for added money, DGH Production $8,000 for the replay screen, Travis Shadda $1,200 for Friday and Saturday rodeo production and Lucas Oil for $25,500 for Thursday truck and tractor pull seconded by Tanner Stock.
   2. Committee updates
      1. 2022 Committee list was updated for the 2022 Fair season, it is attached.
      2. 2022 Sponsorship letter
         1. Nichole has been sending the updated letter as there has been some request for it. Looking at shorting it and placing it on a post card.
   3. Master Gardener’s – no show
   4. Demo Derby
      1. The demo derby start time will be moved to 6:30 p.m. on Sunday evening.
   5. Open Class Improvements
      1. Open Class ran well online. They had 274 people bring in items. They had 34 paid helpers, 9 volunteers and 7 judges.
      2. Barb mentioned that the meal tickets were very nice to offer to helpers. Tuesday night they will need a meal provided again as they check in and don’t get away to eat.
      3. They will need to order more plaques and ribbons this year.
      4. The theme for 2022 is Looney Tunes
      5. They are having a meeting in February to go over any changes needed.
      6. They need some improvements
         1. The glass cases are falling apart, some do not have doors, they are afraid to move them around as they will break. They have not had any updates in a long time.
   6. Approval of and authorize to sign the agreement with the city of Springfield to transfer lot 7A1, Grand Square Addition to the Ag Society.
      1. Motion made by Dwayne Lang to approve of and authorize Jim Jansen to sign the agreement with the city of Springfield to transfer lot 7A1, Grand Square to the Ag Society seconded by Cody Ruff. Jim Jansen abstained the vote.
   7. Springfield Blue Jeans and Boots T-shirt Booth idea
      1. The board gave Beth the go ahead to work with Brett to set this up during the fair this year.
10. 4-H Report
    1. Brett has an upcoming Horse meeting; he is going to ask if they would like to host the speed events on Thursday evening in the Rodeo arena during the fair.
11. Communication from the public
    1. Knights of Columbus
       1. Cody Ruff made a motion to allow the Knights of Columbus to change the old bathroom building into a refrigerator / freezer / storage space seconded by Tyler Krapp. They will work with Dwayne on the electrical side of it.
12. Executive Session (if needed)
13. Adjourn motion made by Chad Heinert to adjourn the meeting seconded by Cody Ruff Meeting adjourned at 7 :20 p.m.