PRESENT: Committee members present: Lyle Lieffring, Alan Rathsack, Tom Hanson, Kathy Vacho and Terry DuSell. Staff present: Charmaine Riddle and Jenna Behrends. Appearances by: Ron Freeman, Jr Fair Chair; Lori Baltruisis, Area District Director; and Lenore Krajewski, Trails End Board of Trustees.

CALL TO ORDER: Lyle Lieffring, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Motion to approve the Dec 4 minutes by Kathy with second by Al. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

JUNIOR FAIR BUSINESS:
A. JR FAIR BOARD REPORT: At the last meeting Judy spoke with AmVets and they said nothing is concrete but would only be about 20 bikes, they would pay to get in and would park. There would be no motorcycle parade. Working on a Truck/Tractor Pull during the Friday of Mardi Gras. Fair Board requests that Committee not approve the hanging of the Rodeo’s banners until a MOU is signed.

B. REVIEW CHANGES MADE TO MOU BETWEEN RODEO & JR FAIR: Ron reported that the board received feedback from Joanne regarding the MOU including removing the concrete slab, cake fireworks, delivery and setup of stuff and being out by Noon on Sunday. Will tell her she needs to go to UWEX for fireworks, sticking to 10 am on Sunday and will remove the concrete slab. Will revise the MOU and send it to her for signature.

TRAILS END CAMP BUSINESS:
A. TRUSTEE REPORT: Lenore reported that they had a joint Nov/Dec meeting but didn’t have quorum.

Trustees wanted a memorial for Dave and Andy said the County would purchase wood for a bench. Calendar is full and working on getting more youth groups. Will discuss alcohol and pet/dog policy over the winter.

B. MAINTENANCE STAFF REPORT: None

FAIRGROUNDS BUSINESS
A. FAIRGROUNDS REPORT: None

B. USAGE AGREEMENTS FOR COMMITTEE ACTION: None

C. RODEO REQUEST TO HANG BANNER: No action taken

D. REQUEST FOR ICE SKATING RINK: Charmaine sent a few calls to Andy regarding people wanting a skating rink. Discussion on off season use and lack of drainage. Terry will contact Land & Water to see if they can come up with a plan for drainage. Motion by Kathy with second by Lyle to approve ice skating rink and forward it to Property. Motion carried.

RECYCLING BUSINESS
A. COORDINATOR REPORT INCLUDING UPDATE ON OUTREACH, VIOLATIONS, & SITES: Charmaine reported in November she had an Office Supply Swap which was successful and has lots of 4” binders left if anyone
is interested. Gave Recycling updates at the Clerk/Treasurers meeting and spoke about Recycling changes at a Women of the Catholic Church meeting. Still exploring options with the City.

B. 2019-2022 RECYCLING RFP: Need to talk to account rep and see if fees will be increased if we choose to renew. Will have RFP ready by February meeting if needed.

EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS:

A. POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION EDUCATOR REPORT: Jenna reported that she started the charter process of Blue Hills Beasts – just waiting on an EIN #. This club will have 12 youth members from 5 different families and will meet the 2nd Wednesday at the Bruce School art room. Planning an event for JLO and Cloverbuds at Christie Mountain. The JLO toy drive was successful and toys were given to Embrace and Santa Smiles. Will start programming with Powerhouse, collaborate with Matt Buton to do more outdoor work, Parli Pro workshop on February 28, Jenna and Neil are co-chairing Winter Camp and they will focus on STEM this year, talking with Family Consumer Ed teachers about exploring the possibility of an etiquette dinner for 2nd semester Junior and Seniors, Rusk County will host a 4H Online training on February 12, and VIP training for new leaders will be January 30 at 7:30. Attending a meeting on Friday regarding the Ladysmith Community Center and Jeremy Jacobs reached out regarding future HHs collaboration.

B. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANT HIRING UPDATE: Position has been offered pending a background check.

C. OUT OF COUNTY TRAVEL: Jenna is requesting travel to Winter Camp in Delta, WI. Motion to approve by Tom with second by Kathy. Motion carried.

CURRENT YEAR BUDGET REVIEW: None

Al left at 9:28 am

REVIEW & APPROVE BILLS: Motion by Kathy with second by Tom to approve the bill report. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING DATE: February 5 at 8:30 am in UW Extension Conference Room.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Terry. Meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.