

**UW EXTENSION EDUCATION & RECYCLING COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 31, 2018**  
**UW EXTENSION CONFERENCE ROOM**

**PRESENT:** Committee members present: Lyle Lieffring, Alan Rathsack, Tom Hanson, and Terry DuSell. Staff present: Charmaine Riddle and Karrie Groothousen. Appearances by: Ron Freeman, Jr Fair Chair; Joe Baye, Trail's End Trustee; John Ducommun, Trail's End Caretaker; Ted East, Administrative Coordinator; and Lori Baltrusis, Northern District Director.

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

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:** *Motion to approve the July 3 minutes by Al with second by Terry. Motion carried.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**JUNIOR FAIR BUSINESS:**

**A. JR FAIR BOARD REPORT:** Ron reported that the board has meeting quite regularly. Hosted a Chamber Meeting on 7/10, rodeo as of 7/8 sold 1775 tickets so far with approximately 70% each night, Jump River Fire Dept. will be helping with parking both Friday and Saturday, Rusk County Transit Commission will be providing shuttle both Friday and Saturday, had another 4H work day where kids painted 30 picnic tables and picked rock, finalized emergency plan, will need inflatables to bring their own generators due to electrical problems in ball field, ordering seat cushions for sale, board is purchasing shirts, and approved additional lighting for grandstand area. Ted wants Charmaine to attend Dept. Head meeting tomorrow to go over volunteer opportunities during fair.

**B. JR FAIR CONTRACTS:** Contract with D Boys band for Saturday night for \$2000. *Motion by Al with second by Tom to approve. Motion carried.* An additional \$600 for Rock-N-Roll to Go Plus for generator rental. *Motion by Tom with second by Al to approve. Motion carried.*

**C. ATV/UTV AND OTHER EQUIPMENT USAGE REQUESTS:** Baribeau Equipment, Tractor Central and Terry DuSell bring in heavy equipment and utility vehicles for Fair Board to use. Tee-Away will also provide 2 golf carts. *Motion by Al with second by Tom to approve equipment usage during the fair. Motion carried.*

**TRAILS END CAMP BUSINESS:**

**A. TRUSTEE REPORT:** Joe reported that the summer help is doing a fine job, Open House is scheduled for October 6, Chair resigned and became Event Planner instead, and Leader's Council sponsored a GaGa Ball pit that is being well utilized. Discussed open and close dates and John said there is no idea how deep the water lines are. He usually goes by grave digging. There is a lot of sand at camp.

**B. MAINTENANCE STAFF REPORT:** TEC roofs made it in top 6 for cost proposals.

**FAIRGROUNDS BUSINESS**

**A. FAIRGROUNDS REPORT:** No report.

**B. USAGE AGREEMENTS FOR COMMITTEE ACTION:** Equipment rental requests for bleachers, horse gaming, PA and picnic tables for Bruce Equestrian Club for their horse show on 8/3 to 8/5 and 50 grey plastic chairs on 8/18 for a wedding. *Motion by Tom with second by Terry to approve. Motion carried.*

## **RECYCLING BUSINESS**

- A. COORDINATOR REPORT INCLUDING UPDATE ON OUTREACH, VIOLATIONS, & SITES:** Charmaine gave a Cleansweep Report including totals. Had raised tire prices for individual tires but charged the same tonnage amount as was charged by recycler. During Cleansweep and the following week until the tires were picked up, it rained heavily so took a loss on tires. 57% of those bringing in tires got them weighed. Next year will have to arrange for an earlier pickup and also raise the tonnage amount so we break even. Tire recycling is never meant to make money but should break even with expenses. Hazardous waste totals were up 1,332 pounds this year. Will have an electronics and appliance recycling collection on Saturday, October 13.
- B. 2019 BUDGET:** Hasn't completed it yet but the only county levy is for Cleansweep.

**EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS:** Lori said Food Wise will be coming back to Rusk County. An agreement for space, internet, shared supplies and equipment is from Oct 1 through Sept. 30 for \$87,500. Kathy and Andrea will be in the office in between teaching events. Food Wise is federally funded so there is no levy.

- A. POSITIVE YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION EDUCATOR REPORT:** Jenna is teaching Tractor Safety this week. Her report included pictures from Rusk/Sawyer 4H Camp and Cloverbud Camp.
- B. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANT REPORT:** Karrie reported on her Youth Empowerment training in Dover, upcoming "I'm Worth it Day" and "Dude you're Pretty Okay" events, Rusk County Youth Council made education tent schedules and are letting us use several sandwich boards. She will be on medical leave August 21 through September 4.
- C. OUT OF COUNTY TRAVEL:** Karrie is requesting to go to Barron to pick up and return the driving simulator for the education tent. Motion by Terry with second by Tom to approve. Motion carried.
- D. 2019 BUDGET:** Charmaine presented a budget only showing an increase of \$2592 which is from the additional health insurance costs. Ted stated that HHS will pay for all of Rusk Restorative Youth Programs budget out of Youth Aids so would be preparing that budget. Will have to work with Food Wise staff so a budget can be prepared for that. Jr Fair will be done after the fair.

**CURRENT YEAR BUDGET REVIEW:** Charmaine stated there aren't any concerns with the budget yet.

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

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** Next meeting will be Tuesday, September 4 at 8:30 a.m. in the UWEX Conference Room.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by Tom. Meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.