

RUSK COUNTY FAIR

May 19, 2024

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Jessica Wiles, Darrell Doughty, Katy Olesiak, Charmaine Riddle, Hannah Blackstock, Brittney Wiles, Tammy Loomis, Jon Runstrom, Connie Meyer, and Nancy Burmeister.

County Board Members: Tom Cudo and John Kalepp

Others present: Shana Swanson

Meeting called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Chairman Wiles

PRESENT FROM THE PUBLIC: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Katy, seconded by Nancy to approve the May 5, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

FAIR COORDINATOR/INTERN REPORT: Fair coordinator and Fair intern reported on food vendors, Hutch Leather works request to leave after the Saturday night rodeo, supply meals for the Rodeo Contestants, and a request to waive the Vendor fee for Fat Daddy's attending the 2024 fair.

Hannah gave an estimate for the Billboard to advertise the 2024 Fair will cost between \$525-\$875.

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Katy to approve the Billboard Expenditure. Motion carried.

Sharing timer with Price County Fairgrounds - Waive Vendor fee for "Fat Daddy"

Motion by Darrel, seconded by Katy to waive the vendor fee for the Vendor Fat Daddy. Motion carried.

EXTENSION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT: Cudo gave a report.

PARKING: Stipend for parking – 6 people are needed Friday and 6 people are needed Saturday. \$300 per night. Friday: 4:30 – 7:30 and Saturday: 3-7:30 p.m. Lemke Oil will be helping Saturday starting at 2:00 p.m.

SIGN PLACEMENT: No discussion

FOOD FOR EVENTS: Olesiak giving 600 pounds of burger patties to the fair and have beef patties for sale.

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Darrel to approve the purchase of Olesiak beef for Fair Events. Motion carried.

RABBIT JUDGE:

Motion by Tammy, seconded by Katy to pay the rabbit judge request for the 2024 Fair. Motion carried.

FANS FOR MULTI-PURPOSE BARN: Jon gave an overview of fans 4.25x4 24" variable \$319.23.

Motion by Katy, seconded by Nancy to purchase 4, 36" fans for up to \$2,000.00. Motion carried.

ADVERTISING: Charmaine is waiting on Quotes from WJMC and Brittney will contact Bob Bosold to attend the 2024 Rusk County Fair.

TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL UPDATE: Discussed the upcoming event.

FIRE PIT: Charmaine is requesting to add a fire pit by North End of the campground. Discussion held.

SPONSORING NORTHERN WISCONSIN STATE FAIR: No Discussion.

FLAG POLE: Approval of flag pole installation by the backstop in the front of the fairgrounds.
Discussion held.

ATV/UTV: Posters are available to be hung in different locations/businesses.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE:

Band Contract “3 Beers Down”

Sign for Truck & Tractor Pull

Reading Program – 50 each with ice cream

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Jon to give free passes and an ice cream cone for 3 reading programs, 50 for each Club.

Motion carried.

Charmaine presented Silicon Bands/Slap Bands for the 2024 Fair. The Board recommended to sell the Silicon bands and Slap Bands – 2 for \$1.

SET A DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING – June 9th, 2024

ADJOURN – Chair adjourned at 7:09 p.m.