

RUSK COUNTY FAIR

June 9, 2024

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Jessica Wiles, Darrell Doughty, Katy Olesiak, Charmaine Riddle, Brittney Wiles, Tammy Loomis, Jon Runstrom, Connie Meyer, Nancy Burmeister, Whitney Trott, and Karla Cole.

County Board Members: Tom Cudo

Others present:

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Wiles.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Karla to approve the May 19, 2024 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

FAIR COORDINATOR/INTERN REPORT: Fair coordinator reported on advertising, superintendent training, judges, sponsor banners have been ordered, vendors and vendor contracts, and the fair book. Tasty Trolley food vendor will be arriving late Thursday and leaving at 7:00 a.m. on Sunday. There are no more electric campsites left.

Brittney informed the Committee the cost of the billboard price is \$730.30.

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Jon to purchase the wrap for \$730.30 for the billboard. Motion carried.

Advertising for the Truck and Tractor Pull and the Rusk County Fair with WAXX 104.5 was discussed. Farm Bureau will be contacted to see if they will be interested in paying for part of the advertising as a sponsorship.

Motion by Jon, seconded by Connie to approve up to \$1,625.00 for WAXX advertisement for the Truck and Tractor Pull and the Rusk County Fair. Motion carried.

Discussed advertising on the Rice Lake radio for the Truck and Tractor pull and the Rusk County Fair.

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Jon to approve the expenditure of \$699.00 for the Rice Lake radio advertisement. Motion carried.

Discussed deleting the Swine breeding and open classes from the fair book. Discussion to make the swine show non-terminal as requested by the Livestock Committee.

Motion by Jon, seconded by Tammy to make the swine show non-terminal during the 2024 fair and also to remove the swine Breeding classes and swine open classes for the 2024 Fair. Motion carried.

EXTENSION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT:

Board Supervisor Cudo gave a report on the June JYE meeting.

ATV/UTV RIDE RECAP:

Katy gave a recap of the ATV/UTV Ride on June 8th.

VOLUNTEER LIST:

Members were asked to continue to work on this as there are more volunteers needed.

MEAT MARKET UPDATE:

One of the markets will not be able to take any animals due to a fire.

ADVERTISING:

This item was approved during the Fair Coordinator update.

STAGE NAME:

Members were asked to bring ideas to next meeting.

HORSE SHOW WORKERS:

A need for workers who can help with the horse show at the Fair.

CHICKEN DINNER:

Jon will be reaching out to a few people to cook the chicken for the 2024 Fair. The chicken dinner will be served out of the chuckwagon by the Rusk County Fairboard.

TRUCK & TRACTOR PULL:

No update due to no one being present.

FLAG POLE:

Will be placed behind backstop – Katy will take the lead on this.

PORTA POTTIES:

The Porta Potties will be moved from the mud bog to the auction area Saturday morning and returned Sunday morning.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COMMITTEE:

- The rule stating that 4-H members must be enrolled by April 1st is not a rule that we will follow.
- Horse show – walkie talkie for EMS response.
- Charmaine will be ordering mini donuts.
- There will be work days next week dependent on weather.
- Karrie Groothousen is our new Rusk County Educator.

SET A DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING – June 30, 2024 at 8:30 a.m. in the Law Enforcement Center.

ADJOURN – Chair adjourned at 10:37 a.m.