

RUSK COUNTY FAIR

August 20, 2023

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT: Judy Srp, Jessica Wiles, Darrell Doughty, Jon Runstrom, Tammy Loomis, Connie Meyer, Katy Olesiak, Whitney Trott, Brittney Wiles, Hannah Blackstock, Charmaine Riddle, Scott Andres, Terry DuSell and Nancy Burmeister

County Board Members: Tom Cudo

Others present: Shana Swanson, Kalya Coggins, Josie Loomis, Morgan Robers, Jessie Koehler, Kelly Andres, Kristen Aspires, Ben Augustine and Scott Jones.

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman Wiles.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Judy to approve the August 2, 2023 minutes. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Morgan commented on the fair.

FAIR STAFF – Brittney received lots of feedback, have the results enter in and the state reported will be entered in and they will be finished with the 2023 Fair.

EXTENSION REPRESENTATIVE REPORT – No Report

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE MOTION

2023 Fair Wrap-up. Items needed to be looked at for 2024 Fair.

- Sound System in the barns for the Auction/heard in all barns
- Water usage was 13,500 gallons of water donated by the City
- Consider moving Small Animal show to Friday.
- Picking out Fair Theme in the Fall.
- Corn Boil Location
- Use People Mover during the Fair
- Educational Building
- Sunday Breakfast at the Senior Center
- Holding Pens for the Sheep and Goats during the show and Auction.
- Mud Bog needs clay/clean material
- Track for Truck and Tractor Pull needs to be cleared of rock.
- Consider Friday Night Auction
- Open Class Date Requirement
- Horse Project Help
- Bands
- Command Post
- Unruly Man at Pig Show
- Milk leaving the Fairgrounds.

Motion by Nancy, seconded by Jon not to let salable milk leave the Fairgrounds. Discussion held.

Motion by Terry, seconded by Connie to postpone the decision until the next meeting. Motion carried.

Chair Wiles read a letter from Tammy Ziek.

2024 Alcohol Plan – Discussed what worked and did not work to serve alcohol and how to move forward for 2024.

Motion by Jon, seconded by Nancy to request from the Justice Youth and Extension to take over the VIP side during the Rodeo and serve on Thursday from 5p.m. - 12:00a.m., Friday 1:00p.m. – 1:00a.m., Saturday 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 a.m. and Sunday Mud bog only. Motion carried.

Motion by Katie, seconded by Tammy to allow Farm Bureau to buy the left-over Sour Cream from the Fair Board. Motion carried.

Set a date for the next meeting – September 24, 2023 in the LEC.

Adjourn – *Motion by Tammy, seconded by Connie to adjourn at 9:15p.m. Motion carried. 9*