

**JUSTICE, YOUTH & EXTENSION COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021**  
**LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

PRESENT: Committee members present: Lyle Lieffring, Al Rathsack, Tim Miller, Megan vanDoorn and Terry DuSell. Rusk County staff present: Breanne Meyer, Charmaine Riddle and Rich Gauger. Appearances by: Holly Parker; Drug Court Coordinator; Judge Anderson, Lori Gorsenger; Clerk of Circuit Court; Kathy Splett, Food Wise Coordinator; and Lori Baltrusis, Area 2 District Director.

CALL TO ORDER: Meeting called to Order by Chair, Lyle Lieffring at 8 am.

MINUTES: *Motion to approve July 7, 2021 minutes by Terry with second by Al. Motion carried.*

**TRAIL'S END CAMP BUSINESS**

- A. TRUSTEE REPORT: No meeting in July.
- B. CARETAKER/MAINTENANCE STAFF REPORT: CeCe reported lots of groups in July, have some inspection issues that need to be resolved and some ongoing plumbing issues. Working on hiking trail. Flambeau Correctional will be coming out the 1<sup>st</sup> week in October to help with trail and are interested in other projects. Open House planned for September 26<sup>th</sup>.

**JR FAIR BUSINESS**

- A. JR FAIR BOARD REPORT: Terry reported that the bleachers are coming tomorrow and he's getting the arena worked up.
- B. JR FAIR CONTRACTS: None
- C. 2022 BUDGET: Charmaine presented budget with increase in her time to 20%. Predicting surplus in both 2021 and 2022. *Motion to approve and send to Finance by Terry with second by Al. Motion carried.*

**FAIRGROUNDS BUSINESS**

- A. FAIRGROUNDS REPORT: Charmaine reported that she's been getting lots of calls for camping during the dog show and requests for 50 amp.
- B. FAIRGROUNDS USAGE AGREEMENTS: None

**JUSTICE, YOUTH & EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS:**

- A. EXTENSION REPORT: Breanne reported she had 55 youth for day camps. Had presentations by Forestry, Land & Water Conservation and Alissa with propagating plants. Had 14 girls for I'm Worth It Day and 10 boys for Dude You're Pretty Okay Day for High School youth. Had around 400 people for National Night Out and had great community support. Upcoming events is the JLO Color Run, Ed Tent and Chris Clover Scavenger Hunt.

Lori has done research on Rusk's possibility of a partial Ag position. It's a slow and laborious process. There is money earmarked for Ag but is not sure how it will play out with the new staffing model.

Kathy explained what Food Wise does for Rusk County including nutrition education and disease prevention in Head Start, Pre-K, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades. Community Garden had 2 plots rented. 2 Master Gardeners are helping with the project. Growing produce in the other plots to donate to the Food Pantry.

- B. RRYC COORDINATOR REPORT: Rich reported on having several new cases, he will schedule Prime 4 Life once he gets the new batch of kids through. Tentatively scheduled for September 22 & 23. Had Teen Court panel revise pamphlet. Would like to change the name from Teen Court to Restorative Youth Justice Conference. *Motion to approve the new name by Tim with second by Al. Motion carried.*
- C. OUT OF COUNTY TRAVEL: None

- D. 2022 BUDGET: Charmaine presented Extension budget with her staffing level reduced to 15%. Added in Program Assistant. Food Wise budget has a non-lapsing account which is used for the Community Garden. Otherwise, it's for basic staffing needs should the Barron County staff need to make copies, use phone, etc. *Motion by Al with second by Lyle to approve Extension budget and forward to Finance. Motion carried. Motion by Lyle with second by Terry to approve the Food Wise budget and forward to Finance. Motion carried.*

#### CIRCUIT COURT REPORT

- A. MONTHLY REPORT, CURRENT YEAR BUDGET & OUT OF COUNTY TRAVEL: Lori attended a Juvenile Conference last week and it was very beneficial. They have a jury trial tomorrow. Judge reported on difficulty in finding attorneys. Public Defender rate is \$70/hr but court appointed attorneys are \$100/hr. Register of Probate is requesting to go to a conference in Oshkosh. *Motion by Terry with second by Al to approve the Out of County travel. Motion carried.*
- B. 2022 BUDGET: Increased levy from \$173,610 to \$203,491. Increased Continuing Ed by \$500 and decreased anticipated revenues. *Motion to approve budget and forward to Finance by Terry with second by Al. Motion carried.*

#### DRUG COURT REPORT

- A. MONTHLY REPORT, CURRENT YEAR BUDGET & OUT OF COUNTY TRAVEL: Holly reported that she currently has 4 active participants, 1 was terminated and has 4 incoming referrals. in the process of termination and 3 waiting. Has 1<sup>st</sup> graduate through MRT that started last September. Trying to hire an AmeriCore Recovery Coach but most of the graduates of the program are making more money in current positions. There is an upcoming Coordinator Conference in October in Green Bay. Will bring to next month's meeting.
- B. 2022 BUDGET: included with DA budgets.

#### DISTRICT ATTORNEY REPORT

- A. MONTHLY REPORT, CURRENT YEAR BUDGET & OUT OF COUNTY TRAVEL: None
- B. 2022 BUDGETS: *Motion to send DA budgets including DC, DA, CVWC and RRYP to Finance by Al with second by Terry. Motion carried.*

BILL REPORTS: *Motion to approve the bill report by Tim with second by Terry. Motion carried.*

NEXT MEETING DATE: September 1, 2021 at 8 am.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Tim. Meeting adjourned at 9:44 am.