

**JUSTICE, YOUTH & EXTENSION COMMITTEE MINUTES**  
**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2020**  
**LAW ENFORCEMENT CENTER**

**PRESENT:** Committee members present: Lyle Lieftring, Sarah Rands, Al Rathsack, Tim Miller and Terry DuSell. Rusk County staff present: CeCe Rudnicki, Charmaine Riddle, and Rich Gauger. Appearances by: Andy Albarado, Administrative Coordinator; Judge Anderson, Circuit Court Judge; Lori Gorseger, Clerk of Circuit Court; Annette Barna, District Attorney; and Lori Baltrusis, Area 2 District Director.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Lyle Lieftring, Chair, called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** *Motion by Al with second by Terry to approve the October 7 minutes. Motion carried.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**TRAILS END CAMP BUSINESS:**

- A. TRUSTEE REPORT:** Tim reported that they had a meeting on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. They approved Steve Monday as their new Public Citizen Rep, elected new officers with Tim being Chair, Heather Towers as Vice Chair and Beth Schmucker as Secretary. Discussed work projects, new activity ideas and booking information for 2021.
- B. TRUSTEE APPROVAL:** *Motion to approve Steve Monday as the Public Citizen Rep by Tim with second by Al. Motion carried.*
- C. CARETAKER/MAINTENANCE STAFF REPORT:** CeCe reported that the camp is winterized and all camp closure activities are done. JREC cut the red pine down by the amphitheater and did a great job, wants to cut some other trees down, clean out the wood shed and needs to have a professional remove some others. Went over plan of work for 2021. Also would like to have a camera by the entrance and one in camp.

**FAIRGROUNDS BUSINESS**

- A. FAIRGROUNDS REPORT:** None
- B. REVIEW OF FAIRGROUNDS ORDINANCE:** Charmaine gave an overview of the ordinance and went over some of the areas that are seem to be violated frequently. Andy commented that this ordinance was created prior to the ATV trails being opened up in the city. Ordinance can be updated at any time. Will discuss more next month.
- C. REVIEW OF FAIRGROUNDS USAGE & EQUIPMENT RENTAL POLICIES & PROCEDURES:** Charmaine went over reservation and equipment rental forms along with rates. Discussed setting fees for equipment usage, charging a security deposit, whether or not certain items should leave the fairgrounds and whether to load items and/or deliver them. Will review and discuss more next month.

**JUNIOR FAIR BUSINESS:**

- A. JR FAIR BOARD REPORT:** Terry reported that they have a meeting coming up on the 15<sup>th</sup>, they voted to have a 2-day rodeo, found out they can rent bleachers again for \$5600 which is \$800 more than last year, want to haul in some sand to south end of mud bog for a runaway pit; new officers are Terry for

Chair, Scott Jones for Vice-Chair and Connie for Secretary. Will work with Marty Barnes for a contract after November 10<sup>th</sup> and also seeking major sponsors.

**EXTENSION OFFICE BUSINESS:**

- A. 4-H PROGRAM COORDINATOR & COMMUNITY YOUTH DEVELOPMENT EDUCATOR REPORT:** Lori stated Breanne would not be here today but would report on totals next month.
- B. RRYP COORDINATOR UPDATE:** Rich reported on truancy case, held Prime 4 Life with Breanne. They both felt the program was good but wasn't the best for underage people since there is a misimpression that some alcohol is permissible. Will do some research and see if there is a better program. VIP will be December 1<sup>st</sup> and has some challenging clients in MRT training through Drug Court.
- C. CURRENT YEAR BUDGET REVIEW:** No anticipated problems since last month.
- D. OUT OF COUNTY TRAVEL:** None
- E. 2021 CONTRACT BETWEEN RUSK COUNTY & BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UW SYSTEM:** *Motion to approve contract by Terry with second by Al pending budget approval by County Board. Motion carried.*

**DRUG COURT REPORT:** None

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY REPORT:** Annette reported she didn't have any election complaints, has a total of 109 cases under review as of 9/30/20 and has received 58 criminal referrals. She will be having surgery next week so will be out for 3 weeks. Spillman system has a target date of December 1<sup>st</sup>. Doesn't allow for large file transfers so DA IT is working on a program to send video, pics and large files. There has been an increase in neglect cases.

**CIRCUIT COURT REPORT:** Lori reported that she is sharing a position with HHS for her Deputy COC. Rhonda Gulich will work 1 day in COC and 4 days in HHS. All items are purchased for Zoom room which will be paid for by Children's Court Improvement Grant. Judge stated all of the judges in WI were activated the last few days in case of emergency election actions. He stated there were no problems in Rusk County. At a Judge's meeting he learned Rusk County is doing 75% of hearings virtually where parties and attorneys appear by Zoom. Getting plexiglass in Courtroom across his bench, Clerks desk, Court Reporter, Jury and dividers for parties. Reported that Drug Court currently has some hard core cases with lots of challenges.

**BILL REPORT:** *Motion to approve by Al with second by Lyle. Motion carried.*

**NEXT MEETING DATE:** December 2 at 8 am in Law Enforcement Center.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn by Tim. Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.