

Tri County Fairboard Minutes
October 10, 2019- Weed Board Office

Board members in attendance: Ruth Koehler, Amanda Morley, Dick Perkins, Richard Thomas, Dawn Hauptman, Ricki Ketterling, Kacee Perkins, Eaf Parke, Mike Applegate, Carolyn Pasha, Scott Barger (face time)

Others in attendance: David Wells, Michael Blakeley, Kathleen Johnson, Nancy Michalsky, Rem Mannix
Meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Correspondence was read by Ruth Koehler. Thank yous from 4-Hers Deana Parke and Scott Parke, Best in the West 4-H Club, John Hubley, and Mary Ellen McGowan.

Guests:

Nancy Michalsky and Kathleen Johnson will run the Quilt Barn in 2020. They are looking into having an Eagle Scout candidate build quilt racks for the fair so we don't always have to borrow them. Anyone entering their quilts will be responsible for bringing them to the fair and picking them up.

Michael Blakeley, CPA has been looking at the issues with the Quicken program that is used for the Fairboard petty cash account. His recommendation is that we change from using a 3 per page laser check to just 1 check per sheet. He also suggested we should change from Quicken to Quick Books. A motion was made by Amanda Morley to purchase Quick Books, 2nd by Dick Perkins. Ruth will look into this and order new checks.

Minutes from the September meeting were read and submitted for approval. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Amanda Morley, 2nd by Dick Perkins.

Mike Applegate made the announcement the Tri County Rodeo was chosen by the NRA contestants as the **Platinum Small Rodeo of the Year!** Congratulations to everyone involved.

Claims – All claims were presented for approval. A motion to approve paying the claims was made by Amanda Morley 2nd by Ricki Ketterling

Financial Report- David Wells prepared a cheat sheet so board members could interpret the county budget a little better. Ruth read the income and expenditures for the last month. Claims totaled \$3489.59, Income was \$2826.53 and the annual payment on our new tractor is due in November, \$3724.58.

Old Grounds Business:

Sand for the BRP- Dick is just waiting to hear back from John Perkins on the sand.

Restrooms-The grant has been submitted

Ricki Ketterling moved to purchase 2 Shark vacuums for use in the Blue Ribbon Pavilion and the Exhibit Building, with extra filters. 2nd by Amanda Morley

Ruth contacted a person about cleaning. She will be glad to do miscellaneous restroom/ kitchen cleaning as needed for \$12/hour, but will not be able to do fair cleaning as she feels it would be too much for her physically. The job has been posted to the county web page. Amanda will post a link to that site on the face book page.

Ruth will contact the Chamber about cleaning up the arena or we will keep their deposit if we have to do it.

New Grounds Business:

There appears to be a need for new signs on the wash rack to tell people they must clean up after their animals. Amanda Morley made a motion to purchase 2 signs, 2nd by Dick Perkins. Ruth will see Linda about this.

Old Fair Business:

Fair Dates- The dates were set at the September meeting. It was decided they would stay the same as we cannot change our rodeo dates and the carnival would not be able to change their dates either. The 2020 Fair dates are Tuesday, August 18-Sunday, August 23. That tentatively puts clean up day as Saturday August 15 and the Dress Revue on the 18th

Amanda and Ricky will not be able to attend RMAF and Ruth probably will not be able to either.

Updating of By-Laws is a work in progress

New Fair Business:

A meeting has been scheduled for December 4 at the community center with Market Committee and Extension to discuss who's responsibility is what during the fair

It was decided to see if we could obtain sponsors for the added money for the rodeo as we have been unable to have a fund raiser for quite some time.

Election of Officers will be postponed until the January Meeting

Richard Thomas will contact Livestock Judge possibilities, Carolyn will take care of the Horse Show judges

There was discussion about setting a higher age limit for exhibitors at the fair with large animals. It was decided it is probably too late to enact that this year but will be discussed more and a decision made for 2021 in January.

Amanda Morley mentioned that even though we already have a theme for 2020 Fair, Wildflowers and Wagon Wheels, it has been determined that 2020 is in fact the 80th Tri County Fair and we should do something to honor this milestone. Ruth will discuss this with Linda Spaulding for the cover of the premium book.

Kacie Perkins and Amanda Morley will be a committee to explore adding a family fun day. This will be held either during the fair or possibly outside of the fair in July.

The need for a small platform scale for the small animals was brought up. Kacie Perkins will look into that.

A Premium book meeting will be held, probably in January. Contact Ruth Koehler if you are interested in doing this.

Other:

It was decided to change our meeting day from Thursday to Wednesday due to conflicts with high school sports on Thursdays. It will be the Wednesday of the first full week of the month. This may change back later in the Spring.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fall Harvest Weekend October 19

The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 p.m. Motion made by Richard Thomas, 2nd by Eaf Parke
The next meeting will be held January 8, 2020 7pm at the Weed Board Building

Respectfully Submitted,

Ruth Koehler

Acting Secretary, Tri-County Fair Board