

Morton County Fair Board Agenda

February 8, 2022

7:00 PM Fire Hall, New Salem

Call the meeting to order

Roll call of Directors

Associate Members

Guests

Custodial Report – Bible Rodeo – June 22-26, 2022

High School Rodeo – May 14-15, 2022

Country Fest – June 29 – July 12, 2022 – Needs to be cleaned up because Cow Town is right after

Mary can deposit money at Security First

Meetings – would like to have wifi available – OK to give password

Additions/Approval of Agenda – Nathan moves, Tracy 2nd, agenda approved unanimously as amended

Secretary's Report – Barry moves, Nathan 2nd, approved unanimously

Treasurer's Report – getting things switched over - \$75653.91, deposits arrived today to by added

- Can we get a break down of the bills every month to see what standard bills are? We would like to see where the money is tracking.
- Can attach a report
- Kristine moves, Mark 2nd – approved unanimously

Bills to Pay – Shawn bill received

Old Business

Committee Reports:

Amusement & Youth Activities – Bounce Right Rentals – Inflatables

- Scott at Bounce Right Rentals – Friday and Saturday would like a 40% deposit of \$1598.85. Mechanical bull is run out of a cash box, is not a part of the contract. Could do \$0.75 per bull ride back to MCF.
- Budget for Youth Activities for last year was \$5,000

- Last year was volleyball, corn hole, power wheels, face painting, rock wall on Sunday, inflatables, sandbox
- Barry moves Bounce Right for \$3997.14, Kristine 2nd – unanimous roll call
- Include mechanical bull? – yes

Beer garden/Liquor – would like to get RFB out in the next couple weeks

Camping – N/A

Country Fest – Committee will meet tomorrow at the concession building to discuss needs and wants before meeting with Country Fest

Facility Maintenance – Doodle Poll Results included in packet – floor in concession building

Annie and Joel will take care of guardrail when spring thaw

Concrete patch for the home ec building floor

Drain tile is top priority – 4 inch PVC – will be under \$10,000 – possibility to work with the city to fix

Nathan will check on possibility of ARPA fund availability

County money will be coming as soon as Nathan requests

Will look into grant options

Fair Dinner – free dinner will happen

Gate & Parking – Update on land – Mark

- Map of existing park land and access easements
- 10 acres to the north – possibility of long term lease or purchase of land
- Found owners – could talk to them about options – not the high priority land for owners
- Would need permission or another easement from the park board for access from land to fair
- Commercial land is anywhere from \$6-8 a square foot in Mandan – not sure if it is zoned commercial or agricultural

Music & Small Acts Entertainment – Facebook message – Tracy has contact for entertainment guy

Public Relations/Advertising – Fair Book – Annie moves that Shanna Strohmman design and United Printing to print, Barry 2nd, passes unanimously

Rodeo - Good

Power Pull – N/A

Competitive Exhibits – People’s Choice Award – Ellie Bargmann

Moved by Mark, 2nd by Kristine - \$50 to PCA – Unanimous roll call

Commercial Exhibits & Concessions – N/A

Buckle/Awards – N/A

Security – Annie – Reached out to John – Elite Security Solutions, MN company is out of the picture due to WeFest – Friday and Saturday 3 PM -1 AM – 6 people – 2 two-man teams on foot, one team on side by side - \$8400, mileage and travel \$1700 - \$10100 total

Last year was a little less but only 4 people, can adjust hours if we want

Other possibilities with other groups – need to keep track of ordinances – bonding and licensing – not sure about the side-by-side option

Annie will explore a few options and Taylor will contact CMA for options – report at next meeting

New Business

Taylor Friesz Application – Barry moves to accept, Kristine 2nd – Tracy questions if he was vetted by the commission and HR – came in between commission meetings and HR is at a funeral – approval contingent on commission and HR – passes unanimously

Contact for Heartland Association of Fairs – Barry moves, Mark 2nd – address is new PO Box, Secretary will be contact – passes unanimously

Committee Assignments

Amusement & Youth Activities – Josh, Shawn, Melanie

Beer Garden/Liquor – Tracy, Nathan, Melanie

By-laws/Policies – Tracy, Melanie, Nathan, Barry

Buckles – Kristine, Peggy, Barry

Camping – Josh, Wayne, Kristine

Capital Improvements – Mark, Peggy, Barry, Nathan

Commercial Exhibits/Concessions – Melanie, Annie, Shawn

Competitive Events – Mark, Tracy, Kristine, Taylor, Melanie

Country Fest – Kristine, Peggy, Tracy

Executive – Shawn, Annie, Kristine, Tracy, Melanie

Facility Maintenance – Barry, Peggy, Shawn, Mark

Fair Dinner – Kristine, Melanie, Nathan, Peggy

Gate & Parking – Annie, Shawn, Melanie, Nathan

Music & Small Acts – Tracy, Annie

Power Pull – Taylor, Joel

Public Relations – Kristine, Annie, ask Wayne

- Website and email

Rodeo – Barry, Josh, Peggy

Volunteers –

Security – Annie, Taylor

PO Box – Extension will be leaving the courthouse in the next 6-8 weeks so there will be no one there to collect mail – we should have a PO Box regardless – Mandan or New Salem PO Box – Mark moves PO Box in New Salem, Tracy 2nd, passes unanimously – Melanie takes care of

By laws – No quorum in November to change by-laws, was full committee notified about changes? – Tracy was not notified about the drafted changes as a committee member and wants to keep Associate Members and wants a set apart from voting and non-voting members – Not everyone should be given the right to vote

Nathan – by-law proposals were to promote the discussions – nothing is voted on tonight but nothing can be voted on until next month – President needs to count as a member for the quorum as a board member – shall/may needs to change because there are no 4-H or FFA members on here – we should be selecting the members with our application and then send to the county, not vice versa – Barry agrees on picking board members and president as quorum – Melanie agrees as well – get our stuff put together and then get out to get volunteers – can the president be a quorum if only voting members can be part of it – president can vote in certain instances

Nathan – everyone needs to think about the article 6 section 5 about our attendance policy – technically we have people who have missed a lot of meetings

Thank You Card – North Dakota Junior Points Show Association

Scale – the weigh scale is a true test scale – data mars rep – would we be able to get that scale and look at it – the rep is willing to look at it – if we can get it out to SW Grain on Thursday – in the hog barn – may need to pour a slab to set it on concrete instead of dirt – get it checked, Kristine get a hold of Carrie or Mary to get it out – Scale is 4-H/Extension property and the fair is allowed to use it – Tracy will get the scale head to Kristine so the scale can be evaluated

Next Meeting: March 15, 2022, 7:00 PM Morton County Fair Grounds, New Salem

Adjournment: Barry moves, Kristine 2nd, unanimous: adjourned at 9:08 PM

Shawn

Melanie Yes Yes

Barry Yes Yes

Tracy Yes Yes

Annie Yes Yes

Kristine Yes Yes

Nathan Yes Yes

Mark Yes Yes

Guests: Mary, Taylor Friesz

Melanie Jacobs

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MCFB Sec.
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