

PRICE COUNTY FAIR
Regular Meeting August 27, 2020
6 p.m. Price County Fairgrounds – Northwoods Building

Members present: Peter Dahlie, Michelle Drobnik, Amy Karpenske, Jan Hardginski, Pat Vlach, Sue Nordall, Doug Kirby, Greg Hughes

Absent/Excused: Denae Walcisak (E), Hanna Eibergen (A), Wyatt Lebal (A), Brooke Lebal (A), Jed Hallstrand (A)

Others present: None

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Peter Dahlie at 6:00 pm.

Minutes: Nordall motioned, Vlach seconded to approve minutes from July 2 & July 23 meeting. Motion Passed.

Public Comments/Correspondence: None

Fair Premium Book: Michelle Drobnik rejected the final hard copy as it had many errors. She will get another final copy for review this Monday.

Rodeo Report: Michelle Drobnik reported there was nothing to complain about. Dahlie asked about the Rodeos finances and Drobnik reported that Alexis is working on them. Greg Hughes commented there seemed to be a good turnout based on all the traffic and cars parked at the fair.

Status of Fair Buildings: Michelle Drobnik said the County is still working on soil testing and possible scenarios such as moving the barn. Another meeting with the Ad Hoc committee will be held September 9th. Michelle also stated that she had begun putting some of the open class items in the church building.

Date for Winter Storage: Discussions were made regarding the need to increase our winter storage rates, which are well below the going rates in the area. Drobnik motioned to increase the fee to \$12/foot this year. Hardginski seconded the motion. Motion carried. Hughes asked the question on who is responsible for any damage to items being stored. There is a waiver statement on the signed forms by people who are storing their items. Also discussed was the possibility to offer outside storage if there is a need. Drobnik said Josh Frieze is willing to wrap boats for anyone interested in storing at the fairgrounds for a separate fee. Dahlie motions that we charge \$100 to park your boat outside for the season and Hardginski seconded the motion. Motion carried. Nordall motioned that the winter put in date be on October 17th beginning at 8:00 a.m. and Vlack seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Annual Meeting & Election of Fair Board Members: It was decided the Annual meeting will be held at the Fairgrounds in the Northwoods building. Some members stated they may not be returning and others stated they will return. Some positions will be open for new board members to apply. Drobnik says she has heard of a few people that may be interested.

Fair Board Member Stipend for 2020: Pete Dahlie asked the board for comments regarding the annual per diem for board members. Some discussions were made.

Committees

Advertising/Entertainment/Fundraising: Drobnik reported for Walcisak that sponsor letters were sent out asking sponsors if they would like a refund or roll over their 2020 sponsorships. Walcisak also talked about bringing back the Veterans Face for Every Name exhibit for 2021. She also talked about possibly doing a GoFundMe for the fair buildings, and also talked about JC's fundraisers for organizations as an idea. Drobnik motioned that we approve the 2021 & 2022 Carnival contract, Kirby seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Buildings & Grounds: See previous comments in Fairgrounds Buildings.

Commercial Vendors: Hardginski is putting together a book regarding Vendor contacts, etc for the 2021 fair so another person can take it over.

Policy: Dahlie brought up things to think about and discuss are the Antiques association, contract with the Roade, agreement with 4H, Youth Hockey and any other renewals.

Exhibits/Livestock: Nothing to report.

Finance: Finance report was given.

Old Business: Nothing to report.

New Business: Drobnik brought up that there is a tree leaning towards the horse barn that needs to be cut. She also asked how bad the foundation under the theater is, and the roof in the office needs to be addressed.

Next Meeting Date: Annual Meeting October 1st, 2020 at 6 p.m. at Fairgrounds with Board meeting to follow.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m.