

Teton County Fair Board Meeting Minutes February 8, 2023 Teton County Courthouse and via Zoom

Open: The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by John Smaellie. Board members present were John Smaellie, Jared Bevan, Cara Olaveson, Brenda Simirl, Randy Fusi and Roger Kaufman. Others present were Commissioner Michael Whitfield, Christine Miller, Cathy Miller, Jeannette Beard, Liz Thackery, Tammy Sachse, Abby Grundler, Connie Deraps, Jason Wilcox, Lane Hillman and Hallie Poirier.

Minutes: January 11, 2023 minutes were reviewed. Cara motioned to approve the minutes. Roger seconded. All in favor.

Financial Reports:

FY 2023 Report. Expense budget starts at \$239,161. So far \$53,498 has been spent or 22% of the budget. That leaves a balance of \$185,663. The projected Revenue for FY 2023 is \$97,300 Year to date revenue is \$27,170 or 28% of the projected amount.

Persons in attendance: **Jason Wilcox** introduced himself to the Fair Board. Jason served on the board years ago and is excited to rejoin. Hallie will request Jason to be sworn in at the next Bocc meeting.

Discussion items:

- A. Fair & Rodeo Royalty MOU (with motion):** Hallie apprised the board that the Fair & Rodeo Royalty has requested light tokens for their bimonthly riding sessions in Indoor Riding Pavilion. The Fair Board agreed to sponsor 1 light token per session/10 tokens total. Roger made a motion to approve the MOU including the addition of the light tokens. Jared seconded, all in favor.
- B. Review Teton Valley Balloon Rally Facilities Use Agreement:** Fair Board discussion on the annual Balloon Rally took place. The facilities Use Agreement has not been updated in the last 3 years. Board members to contact Hallie with additional questions/comments prior to March meeting. Hallie will send a draft to Margaret Breffeilh and Virginia Symons.
- C. University of Idaho Extension, Teton County & Fair Board MOU:** Edits for 2023 include Funding to reflect: \$7,200 for 4-H expenses in Fair Board budget line #82-00-511 and editing #3 page 3, Teton County green 4-H livestock panels to *University of Idaho Extension, Teton County 4-H livestock panels*.
- D. 100 Year FAIR: Budget, potential/confirmed events, committees:** Trey Danger has generously created our stellar Centennial 2023 Fair Poster and Fair Book cover pro bono. Many thanks to Trey for this “*awesome, beautiful, detailed, regal, reflection of our celebration*”. [Centennial Fair Poster](#)

Saturday 8/5 Wagons & Tales Heritage Day. No updates.

4H Horse shows: Abby presented three weather contingencies: Option #1: Aug 5th 9am Outdoor Arena with the Indoor Pavilion as a back up. Abby suggested a weather review at the beginning of the week. Watering and rolling of the Pavilion took place, the Pavilion takes 4-5 days to prep for livestock pens Fair set up. John asked if a weather review could be called by July 31st given the Pavilion prep takes 5 days. Option #2: Aug 5th Outdoor Arena with a reschedule date Aug 14th

Outdoor Arena. Option #3: Reschedule the show to Monday Aug 14th Outdoor Arena with the Indoor Pavilion as a back up. Discussion led towards Aug 5th Outdoor Arena with Indoor Pavilion as back up. Aug 14th challenges/concerns include: Judges have to be hired and housed for two days, the show would take place after Fair week; making Fair extra long and families with travel plans post Fair would be affected. Fair Board requests that if Aug 5th Outdoor/Indoor backup is selected, and the horse show takes place in the pavilion the Fair Board requests that once the horse show is complete, work begins to set up livestock pens. Abby will let the Fair Board know when they've made a decision on their date. Fair Board can then draft a list of needed support/help for Sat night/possible Sunday.

Sunday 8/6 Open Class Trail Course. Continue event unless it turns into a demo with other 4H clubs. If it stays an open class event for public to participate, we may need a committee.

Monday 8/7 Pig Wrangle- Mark would like his pigs to be cool during the event, plan to hose off every half hour if needed. Pig committee can work with Mark on whether an extra pen or trailer is helpful. Mark is asking \$4K for pigs, no objections. Mark agrees with including *Rules of Conduct* into registration paperwork. Weights were discussed: Peewee group 7 pigs 30-40 lbs, Junior group 14 pigs 80-100 lbs, Women's group 11 pigs 150-170 lbs, Men/coed group 11 pigs 200-225 lbs. 43-45 pigs total.

Tuesday 8/8 Mounted Shooters- Flyer included for review. Full date event with evening showcase of qualifying riders. Lane will need to set up stalls for overnight campers Monday night.

Open Class drop off- committee needed. Brenda will lead this committee on open class departments, ribbons, judging criteria, etc. Connie is still working on the sewing and quilting criteria, rules, categories, definitions. Connie's recommendations: Consider bringing back the viewer's choice. Two judges are preferred. Consider blue and red ribbons only, awarded based on accrued points. John suggests an Oldest Quilt category. Style Revue to stay Friday eve 8/4.

4H Club Demos- Big Top Tent/ Pavilion- no new updates.

Wednesday 8/9 Fair Board dinner and band under the big top tent. John will help with this committee. Things to consider: band and food costs. Discussion on it being free, tickets and rsvp took place. 4H Dog show in the morning, water grassy area if possible.

Thursday 8/10 Horse Pull 6pm. Farm Tour during the day, meet at Big Top Tent.

Friday 8/11 4H Shows, 4H Buyer's Dinner 4-6pm, Rodeo 8pm

Saturday 8/12 Figure 8 Race- John and Jason will lead this committee. John said Marvin is on the fence. John has a road grader on stand by. Lawn Mower Races: Gary Johnson is interested, we need to confirm with him. Raffle car: Jason has a few options. Jason and Jared talked about a car/truck show. Would be cool to have our raffle car in the July 4th parade.

Music update: Hallie is hoping to hear back from Ned's agent with a contract and rider. Production costs and availability info is coming from IE Productions out of Idaho Falls.

E. Water storage tank: Hallie asked the Bocc for assistance with water storage. Long term solution: We could get Road & Bridge's current water truck if they get a new one. Short term solution: Solid Waste has a water truck we might be able to use for the summer. Jason and Roger talked about fracking tank options. John went over the Rain for Rent water storage tank rental bid for June 9th-Sept 1st. 8ftx8ft tank \$2,753.68. Hallie will request to get on the next Bocc agenda.

F. Building & Grounds: Jared gave an update on the tractor bucket repair and will deliver asap.

Adjourn Meeting: Randy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:47pm, Roger seconded, all in favor.