

**Teton County Fair Board Meeting Minutes**  
**June 10, 2020 Middle School cafeteria and via Teleconference**

**Open:** The meeting was called to order at 7:12 PM by John Smaellie. Board members present were John Smaellie, Cara Olaveson, Jared Bevan, Tyler Jones, Phyllis Hansen and Roger Kaufman. Absent Board member: Josh Richardson.

Others present were Margaret Rose Breffeilh, Virginia Powell Symons, Chris Miller, Tammy Sachse, Jen Werlin, Lane Hillman, and Hallie Poirier.

**Minutes:** May 13, 2020 meeting minutes were read. Cara motioned to approve, Jared seconded. All in favor.

**Financial Report:** The expense budget starts at \$153,461. Year to date; \$66,984 or 44% of the budget has been spent. That leaves a balance of \$86,477. The projected Revenue for FY 2020 is \$70,450. Year to Date revenue collected is \$18,281 or 26% of the projected amount.

**Discussion items:**

**Balloon Rally:** Margaret Rose Breffeilh and Virginia Powell Symons were present to discuss their operations plan for the Balloon Rally July 2-5 at the Fairgrounds. A map was provided for review to locate the parking, camping and balloon launch sites. Modifications have been made to accommodate the safety of their team and the public; shifting it from an experience to a spectator event. They are hopeful to sell 80 tickets a day for cars to park at the Fairgrounds. Masks will be required at the launch site, people will be asked to remain near their cars. There will be between 11-15 balloons launching daily. Lane will meet with Margaret at 3pm on Thursday regarding mowing for parking on the field.

**Rodeo:** Lane Hillman was present to talk about the Rodeo start date of June 19, 2020. Lane's contract calls for 10 rodeos a season at the Fairgrounds. Hallie confirmed the precautions the Fair Board has considered for community safety and awareness of Covid-19. Signs will be displayed, hand sanitizer will be on site, and families will be encouraged to sit together allowing for physical distancing between parties. John has applied for a permit for the Fair Board to sell concessions using the food trailer. Menu items and manning the food trailer were discussed. Ideal trailer set up time is 4:30-5pm. Lane asked for \$400.00 from concessions sales. John agreed. It was agreed by the Board that any food trailer revenue will be helpful.

**4H Fair Planning:** Jen Werlin, Chris Miller and Tammy Sachse were present to discuss 4H clubs during Covid-19 and how things may change for Fair. A contingency planning for Fair handout was provided. Jen commented that it is really hard for kids to physical distance. It was agreed that periodic announcements could be made to remind everyone to practice physical distancing. Proper signage will also be displayed. The kids showing animals will be asked to stay in the pen with their animal before showing. More bleachers may be needed for buyers to spread out. The Buyer's Appreciation dinner has been cancelled. Tammy confirmed that 4H is approved to sell concessions during Fair. A 4H/food trailer schedule needs to be confirmed with the Fair Board.

## **Old Business:**

**Building repair:** Hallie confirmed the new commercial grade doors have arrived and will be installed asap by Martell Builders. The kitchen ceiling still needs to be repaired. Ed Vontz works on it sporadically.

**Fair Board Fair planning:** Discussion on lost building rental revenue, the budget and Fair costs took place. Current building revenue is down \$11,000.00. Our 2020 Fair budget is \$20,000.00 The County budget meeting with commissioners is next week and all departments have been asked to reduce their expenses to help offset lost revenue and/or additional costs due to Covid-19. The board agreed to cut the following expenses from this year's Fair: Big tent rental \$1,875.00, Bluegrass concert \$3000.00, Cadillacs Band \$1300.00, Bounce House \$800, and the Horse Pulls night time event \$3,000.00 for a total of \$9,975.00. Tyler suggested that we could ask Hapi Trails if they'd be interested in a ranch roping demo to replace the Horse Pull event. Any donations could be split with Hapi Trails and the Fair Board. All in favor.

**Livestock shed:** Roger will work on getting plans for 4 12 ft stalls

Adjourn: Cara motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:58pm, Jared seconded, all in favor.