

Valley County Fair Commission Regular Meeting

March 13th, 2017

501 Court Sq. #17 Glasgow, MT 59230

Members in Attendance: Jerry Arnold, Tasha Mix, Bob Hanson, Ben Miller, Adam Powell and Carla Tihista, manager.

Guests in Attendance: Rob Brunelle, Paul Tweten, Haylie Shipp, Randy Isakson and Roubie Younkin.

Chairman Adam Powell called the **meeting to order** at 5:50 pm, in the community room of the VC Courthouse.

Public comment: Nothing at this time.

REPORTS:

Commissioners: Paul asked the board to put together a list of goals/plans for maintenance, electrical, etc. and submit to the commissioners.

4-H/Extension: The 4-H Horse Show will be July 27th and 28th.

MRM Sports: Nothing at this time.

Rodeo: Randy Isakson mentioned the Rodeo Committee is having a meeting Wednesday the 15th.

Concert: Contracts have been signed. Report weekly, to the booking agency, on how ticket sales, etc. are going.

MINUTES: Jerry moved to approve the minutes of the February 13th, 2017 meeting as written. Motion seconded by Bob and passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rodeo Financial Contract: Tabled until April meeting.

Petting Zoo: Jerry moved to sign a contract with Prairie Pals Petting Zoo for Thursday, August 3rd thru Saturday, August 5th at \$900.00 per day. Motion seconded by Tasha and passed.

Office Staff: Tasha reported that Katie and Kerry are planning on working again this year. A motion was made, seconded and passed August 8th, 2016 to hire them again for 2017.

Friday Night Grandstand Event: Jerry has been in contact with Dave Pippin about the possibility of having a local talent show again. Dave mentioned he would like the net proceeds from the talent show to be used for music scholarships in Valley County. Jerry will follow up with Dave.

Arena Equipment: Tasha moved a board member make contact with all three (3) local equipment dealers to determine if they are willing to have a tractor available for all events during the year, not just the fair, on a 3 (three) year rotation. Motion seconded by Jerry and passed. It was discussed a 100 hp front wheel assist tractor is needed for all MRM Sports events and the Rodeo. Jerry volunteered contact the dealers.

Haylie mentioned the concert committee is planning on having a John Deere Tractor for the concert, which is fitting to this particular concert.

Sponsorships Carnival: Sponsorships of \$2,500.00 for a day. Cape Air is sponsoring a day. Keystone has expressed interest, need to follow up with them. Possibly contact the Hospital to see if interested.

New Business:

KLTZ Sale-A-Thon: Tasha moved we donate 100, \$10.00 gift certificates good toward any NEMT Fair event, including POP tickets (does not include the concert) in exchange for \$1,000.00 of advertising on KLTZ. Motion seconded by Bob and passed. KLTZ prints the gift certificates.

Yellow Tractor: Tasha moved to donate the tractor to Allies of Scouting. Motion seconded by Jerry and passed. Tractor had not been used for a while and is in need of some repairs.

Parking for Rodeo Slack: Discussion on rodeo slack traffic/parking due to will also be entry day of the fair, no action taken. Could possibly gravel road area, use cones and/or candle sticks to divert traffic, etc.

Spay & Neuter Clinic (Grandstands): Tabled until April meeting, need actual date of clinic to ensure will not conflict with getting the exhibit area ready for the fair.

Strategic Planning Meeting (Date): Scheduled for April 2nd, 2017 at 2:30 pm.

Public Comment:

Haylie asked if KLTZ could be on the schedule for a half hour on a week day for an eating contest on the free stage.

Haylie also mentioned "Shipp Wreck" is coming to the fair in a 24 foot Air Steam trailer and would like a place to park.

Bob mentioned a couple of food booths located on the fair grounds are not able to be open all day, due to lack of help.

Jerry mentioned would like to purchase a sweeper attachment for the skid steer to keep the sidewalks clean.

Chamber could possibly do some printing for us.

Looking Forward:

Beer Garden Bids will go out at the April meeting and be due by the May meeting.

Calcutta permits need to be sent in by April 15th.

Next meeting: is scheduled for April 10th, 2017 at 5:45 pm at the Valley County Courthouse.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm Moved by Tasha, seconded by Bob and passed.

Submitted By:

Carla Tihista, Manager

Chairman Signature: