

Tripp Co Fair Board Meeting

Meeting was held on July 10th at 8:00 pm at the 4-H Center.

Members present were: Jeremy, Barb, Laura, Brad, Rusty, Jill, Debbie, Joyce, Larry.

Staff Jessica Jensen.

Visitors were Bonnie Rutten, Chandra Phillips and Penny Heenan.

Secretary report was read and approved Jeremy made the motion Jill 2nd the motion. All were in favor motion carried. A correction was made Rusty will talk to Austin Moser before taking to C&D Construction about the gutters and roof repair.

Treasure report was read and approved. Making the motion was Brad and Debbie 2nd the motion all were in favor motion carried. As of the meeting date the account was at \$17996.30

Scale account has \$7444.58 Laura paid the sales tax it was \$4.48.

Rodeo account \$935.12

There was a deposit and rental from the Community Foundation and also a deposit from the Thiemans also. Laura also said that Jeff Farner will spray again before the fair. The cost for this will be \$175.00. Joyce asked why doesn't the County take care of this and sometimes it doesn't get done before there are events here at the facility.

Laura asked Jessica if the deposit could go back to the Shriner's and she said it was all fine, Bonnie said that it was not all OK. The arena was a mess, She said that it was awful there was no way that a good rain would fix the mess that was left. Kortni Kauer and Max Dougherty rented a tractor and a blade to fix the arena so that it was ready to go for the horse show that was coming up. She was asked how long it took them, she contacted Kortni and she said 3 good hours. There was much discussion held on the arena. Jeremy asked who the deposit came from and she said that it came from the local Shriner's. Brad said that the would get a hold of Rich Ringstmeyer and visit with him about the arena and see what they would like to do about the deposit. This was tabled until the meeting in August.

Penny Heenan came in to tell us about the 4-H rodeo and give us the Ins for the day. She said that there are 180 contestants and there will be no Ambassador Contest there was no one to take care of it.

Chandra Phillips from the City came to talk about the dumpsters that are used on the grounds. She explained to us the different cost of the dumpsters. The cost for our dumpsters was \$75.00 a month. She explained the different sizes of containers the tote is \$40.00 per month, a 98 gal tote is \$30.00 a month and the 300 Gal tote is \$43.00. She said that we can make the decision on how often we need them here on the grounds. We will always have one for the Center but over at the rodeo grounds those can be there just for the summer months and then picked up. She said that Adam Stitzman is the billing contractor for the dumpsters and will have a new agreement coming soon. The board agreed that Chandra should have a copy of the monthly calendar so that way she would also know what is going on at the facility so that a dumpster can be delivered. Barb will get a hold of Nicole and have her send Chandra a calendar. Brad made the motion to have a 300 gal tote for the center which will cost \$43.00 per month. And then order 2 300 gal totes for the rodeo grounds for the months of May- September. Jeremy 2nd the motion all were in favor motion carried.

Laura brought up the 2024 budget for Chandra, she also thought that maybe we should ask the City for a little more money than the \$5000.00 that we ask for. We ask for the \$5000.00 because at the time we were paying a large demand charge and just went back into the city bills and totaled up what the demand was for that year. We are on a commercial with the city because she said that we have one meter and it is tied to the rodeo grounds. Brad said that he would talk to H&O about the metering. Laura wanted to know if anyone wanted to go over the budget to see if we needed to ask for more money. Brad said that he would go in and visit with Chandra. Laura went back and gave us the amount we paid to the city, 2019 was \$11801.00, 2020 was \$8499.00, 2021 was \$9435.00 and 2022 \$12137.00 Debbie suggested just leaving it at the \$5000.00 for the time being. And maybe go ahead with the change the following year.

Jessica asked about the light that is on between the bathrooms on the rodeo grounds, it stays on it is a security light.

Joyce asked about the pile of wood chips on the south side of the beef barn. Who is responsible for getting rid of the mess. Rusty said the county is to dispose of it.

It does not say in the rental agreement who is to make the contact. The board discussed changing the rental agreement to read as follows. The renter is to call the County office to make arrangements for removal. Debbie made this motion and Laura 2nd this motion all were in favor and motion carried. The board also discussed building a bunker for the waste from the barns also so it would be easier to pick up and remove.

Brad has located the stage cart and will pick it up and get it painted. Rusty and Brad removed the cases from the silent auction room and took them to the dump.

Brad has talked to Summit buildings and they are working on an estimate for the Dairy Barn. Dusty came out to the facility to look the building. He said that they do make curtains for the sides that are vertical or horizontal. Both sides will be open the entire length of the building. Dusty will be getting back to Brad. Bonnie asked how secure they will be they are supposed to be tight top and bottom.

Rusty has talked to Austin Moser about the gutters on the building he will be in touch later in the week.

The legs on the A/c unit need to be repaired Brad said that we need to contact Schaeffers to have this repaired. The speaker for the rodeo has been fixed.

The storage room has been cleaned up and organized Jill said that there are 2 lights that are still there they do not work so Jessica said that she would get rid of them. There are 4 carts and some lattice that the board decided to just take these things to the dump. Jessica will check into casters for the black cart to get it fixed also.

Rusty brought up that there are 2 outlets in the beef barn Brad will talk to H&O about fixing these. The closure on the storage room door is leaking oil Rusty will contact Ron Ernest about fixing this.

Brad brought up the hydrant on the south end of the rodeo grounds. It needs to be moved or maybe even just hook up at hose and valve like in the wash racks so that it can be used during rodeos and other events at the grounds. This was voted on last year to have the hydrant moved out of the pen where it is now. Barb has talked to Seth Storms and he will not be able to be here until fall to move it Brad

said that he would contact Richard O'Bryan and have him move it for us. The we will have a barrier of some sort built around it to protect it.

The board voted on the Scholarship recipients although we were missing 2 of our members Debbie was going to call them and get their vote. Rusty will present this award at the fair. Jill asked about the white tables and are they rented out? At first when they were purchased no they were not as time has gone on they do get rented.

Debbie made the motion to adjourn Jill 2nd the motion all were in favor motion carried.

Next meeting will be August 14th at 8pm at the 4-H Center.

Barb Watzel Secretary

There is a detailed Treasure Report in the Secretary book.