

MORROW COUNTY FAIR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday April 14th, 2021 @ 6:30pm

74473 HWY 74 LENA~ Fairgrounds Annex

Heppner, OR 97836

In Attendance:

Chair: Cody High

Vicechair: Shelby Krebs

Board Members: Dawn Eynetich

Secretary: Ann Jones

4-H: Erin Heideman

Others: Darrell Green

CALL TO ORDER: by Cody High @ 6:35 pm

Minutes of Previous Meeting: Shelby made a motion to approve minutes; Dawn seconded.

REPORTS:

4-H: planning fair as normal. Will be adding in a dog show this year. Premium book will be done Monday or Tuesday. Beef weigh in had 28 steers, chances are there will be 25 in auction. 17 dairy heifers for 4H no FFA numbers yet. 30 sheep, 14 goats, 48 swine. 48 kids in shooting sports. Talking with Rod Wilson on kitchen remodel having a difficult time catching up with him. Livestock growers gave \$5000 will be looking at getting new small animal cages, possibly new shade cloth with one opening. Will need to tables for the cages a suggestion was made to contact lone shop class. There will be zoom meetings set up with the judges in June. All judges have been confirmed except for dog show. Still working on a beef superintendent.

Rodeo: having a meeting tonight

NEW BUSINESS:

Sponsor updates: packets have gone out, we have gotten some dollars in. Looks like fair will be free again this year thanks to sponsors.

Fair Entertainment: Decided to go with Olivia Harms for Thursday and Friday instead of Severin Sister for a better price. Dunk tank would be good to do this year again. Need to talk to Rod about Wednesday dinner, Dawn said that Susan Rea does catering also we may contact her for buyers' luncheon. RED shirt Friday need to get shirts again for that. Are we doing a Latino night if so what day. What about a teen night?

Other: After budget hearing and taking their suggestion they want to see a feasibility study done.

Fair board asked Ann to set up a google calendar and share with them so they can see the events happening.

Check with forest service and see if they can do tree removal in their training program, Jeromy Wilson would be a good contact to reach us to.

Couple projects to look at are pea gravel in front of sheep barn, can we add a door in small animal barn, and get the parking barriers put back. Discussion about barriers, Darrell said he will

get with Tony and have them put back. Clean out small animal barn resend pictures to Darrell and Kate see what we can do with the "stuff".

Need to get the word out that fair is happening send to chambers, website, FB & Instagram.

Need to find first/aid tent workers.

Need security: rovers or reserves get with Sarah on this for her assistance.

Need to put an ad out for board members openings with all chambers, gazette and north morrow times.

Fair Board needs to look at maybe attending different parades and activities.

Shelby asked if we are going to start having meetings again on north end?

Need to get a hold of the fire marshal on occupancy numbers.

Darrell said the county has hand sanitizer and stands that we can use during the week.

OLD BUSINESS:

Sponsor updates: Gregg assisted Ann with rewording the letter from last year and sponsor packets have been sent out as of March 3rd.

Fair Entertainment: discussed the cost of Severin Sisters for this year, \$2500 per day plus rooms, need to look at more affordable band. Still on schedule with Fat Bottomed Girls for Wednesday night, still plan for 80's night, look at doing contests for that and need to contact Rod for catering. Need to contact Murrays and see if they are still planning Thursday wine tasting.

Fair: Full 8/17-8/21 all activities as normal

Moderate Risk: 150 people total in outside area(s)~100 people total in indoor arena

Low Risk: 300 people total in outside area(s)~50% indoor occupancy

Modified: what will/can that look like

Discussion on what and how fair could look if still in risk categories, also would need to know what 4-H & FFA will be allowed to do.

Other: Tree removal will be looking at \$2500 a tree to take out.

Need to talk with Tony about getting some pea gravel in front of the sheep barn west door, to help it from becoming a mud hole during fair.

Small animal has become a junk catch all we need to get in there and clean out and get rid of things.

Concrete barriers were moved due to barrel racers maybe not being able to park horse trailers. The board paid \$2000 to have them brought in and placed and the board would like to have them put back as soon as possible, with the 6' space between them. The blocks at the ends need to be painted safety yellow or orange and then could maybe hold a contest for kids to create a picture of their town and have painted on each block.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned by Cody @ 7:50 pm

NEXT MEETING Wednesday May 12th 2021 @ 6:30