



## **FAIR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**June 16, 2022**

The meeting was held at the Madison County Fairgrounds, Twin Bridges, Montana, on June 16, 2022. The meeting came to order at 7:03 pm. Those present were: Dana Escott (Fairgrounds Manager), Jimilea Grose (Fairgrounds Secretary), Jake Barnosky (Vice Chairperson), Mark Hoyt (Board Member), Todd Nelson (Board Member), Kyle Nye (LSC Member), Colton Hellwinkel (Twin Bridges FFA Advisor), Stacey Raben (Twin Bridges School Board Member), and Thad Kaiser (Twin Bridges School Superintendent). Jimilea took the minutes.

### Call Meeting to Order:

7:03 pm: Pledge Allegiance

7:00-7:15 pm: Thad Kaiser/Colton Hellwinkel FFA Farm Lease Agreement: The renewal of the FFA Farm Lease agreement was discussed. A new lease will be written with the best interest of the students in mind. There needs to be some clarification in the wording of the new lease to include supervision at all times when students are on the farm along with the school's insurance and county insurance requests. The Twin Bridges School Board will write a new lease to be sent to the fair board, the Commissioners, and the County Attorney. Thad advised the school wants the county to do all the weed spraying on the school farm from this point forward. Colton arrived at 7:09 pm. Thad Kaiser and Stacey Raben left at 7:20 pm.

7:15 pm: Fair Foundation Update: The update was reviewed by the Board Members. Questions were raised about when the Pavilion/Jeffers projects may begin. Dana explained that the architects and engineers were working on the projects but didn't really know when those plans would be available. Further discussion was that the fair board could continue to rent those buildings out for another year. There was discussion of having a connected bathroom between the Pavilion and the Jeffers if it was allowable. The electronic reader board will probably be here some time in September.

### **DISCUSSION and/or ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Public Discussion and/or Comments on Items Not Listed on the Agenda but Within the Board's Jurisdiction:** None
2. **Communications:** None
3. **Approval of Minutes:** May 19, 2022. Todd moved to approve the May 19, 2022 Meeting Minutes with no corrections. Mark seconded the motion. All voted aye. The motion carried.
4. **Budget/Bills:** Mark moved to pay the May bills. Todd seconded the motion. All voted aye. The motion carried. Cash is \$220,033.72. Payroll has not been taken out yet. The chinking and staining of the Pavilion will be done this year in June. Power costs were discussed.
5. **Kyle Nye Hog Barn:** Kyle stated that he had talked to the engineer and was advised he could not move the posts on hog barn or possibly put new framework in place of old barn. More

discussion was to extend existing posts of barn using material that is currently there. There is FEMA guidelines which need to be followed as well as the flood plain rules. Kyle is waiting for a quote on panels from Priefert. The roof will need work.

6. **Event Center (Indoor Arena):** No action was taken.
7. **NonFair Rental Fees:** The Board discussed charging a fee for concessions that come in for our Non Fair events. Colton left at 8:00 pm.
8. **Reports:**
  - Board: None
  - Fair Manager: Dana shared the quote that was given by Bill Allen to chink and stain the Pavilion. We are waiting for a bill from Q Painting on the cost of painting the yellow building trim which was not included in the quote to paint the building. The Jeffers has some leaks from unknown origins. Ryan Hamilton's Memorial Service will be held in the arena on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Jacobs will do a high school rough stock event during the NRA Rodeo. Dana called the Department of Livestock and was told the order for the Avian Flu expired the first part of June and it was not renewed. Heat kills the virus and our fair should be good to go with a live poultry show. We will have an open class poultry show. The "no scooter" signs are here. Dana discussed GoGo RV. They have availability to book camping, stalls, etc. for the Fairgrounds. There are good things about having a second party book for you and bad things. Our campground is not numbered so that might make it difficult to issue a camping spot. Dana will get more information.
  - 4H: No report given.
  - Livestock Sales Committee: Kyle shared that all the mailing addresses for buyers were approved with some changes so the mailing will be going out.
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  - Miscellaneous: Dana shared the books have went to print. The book is also available on the County Website.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 pm.

Next Meeting: July 21, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

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Approved: Fair Board Chairperson Date  
And/or Vice Chairperson