

CUSTER COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Regular Board Meeting

July 11, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM at the Shooting Sports Building by President Kent Nelson. President Nelson informed those present of the location and availability of the Nebraska Open Meeting Act publication. The meeting notification and agenda were posted in advance at the Custer County Courthouse and mailed to each board member.

Members present were Shawn Lehmkuhlar, Kent Nelson, Ron Chytka, Ira Spanel, Shane Ryan, Becky Pearson and Sonya Atkins. Members absent were – Travis Shauda and Marla Stallbaumer.

Others present were Michelle Nelson, Mona Weatherly, Dwayne Bryner and Troy Walz.

Approval of Minutes:

Minutes from the June 13, 2019 meeting were reviewed. Lehmkuhlar moved to approve. Pearson seconded the motion. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Chytka, Lehmkuhlar, Spanel, Pearson, Ryan, Nelson & Atkins. Voting No: None. Absent: Shauda & Stallbaumer. Motion Passed.

Financial Report:

Treasurer Chytka presented the financial report. Following are the account balances in the various accounts on May.

Events Acct: \$10,672.35 High School Rodeo Acct: \$1,541.34 Livestock Acct: \$19,898.03

Capital Fund: \$-8,213.38 Memorial Funds: \$1,085.06 General Fund: \$60,734.23

Storm Damage: \$188,884.47 Savings Acct: \$11,047.47

Chytka moved to pay the bills. Ryan seconded. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Chytka, Lehmkuhlar, Spanel, Pearson, Ryan, Nelson & Atkins. Voting No: None. Absent: Shauda & Stallbaumer. Motion Passed.

Extension Report:

Troy Walz gave an Extension Report including details of livestock issues at fair.

4-H Council:

No report.

Budget Request

Atkins moved to request a 2.5% customary increase from the Custer County Board of Supervisors. Spanel seconded. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Chytka, Lehmkuhlar, Spanel, Pearson, Ryan, Nelson & Atkins. Voting No: None. Absent: Shauda & Stallbaumer. Motion Passed.

Chytka moved to ask for the additional allowed 1% increase. Ryan seconded. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Chytka, Lehmkuhlar, Spanel, Pearson, Ryan, Nelson & Atkins. Voting No: None. Absent: Shauda & Stallbaumer. Motion Passed.

Lehmkuhlar moved to ask for the unrestricted funds authority. Spanel seconded. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Chytka, Lehmkuhlar, Spanel, Pearson, Ryan, Nelson & Atkins. Voting No: None. Absent: Shauda & Stallbaumer. Motion Passed.

Further budget discussion included a suggestion by Spanel to move this item up earlier in the month for discussion for next year's consideration. Chytka also mentioned that our accounting for grants and donations of specific items need to be tracked carefully and money can only be spent where specified. Nelson will arrange to have accountant with us at next meeting or special meeting in August as we make budget changes.

Grounds Report:

No Report. Mona Weatherby praised JJ Martin, grounds manager, for his efforts and the excellent job that he is doing.

Events Coordinator:

-Michelle presented the board members with a list of past events and income and upcoming events at the fairgrounds.

- She is working with a few individuals in the community to organize the Custer County Fair Parade.

- She outlined details of the county fair and events.

-Spanel brought up an opportunity for a fundraiser in conjunction with an upcoming event on the fairgrounds; details and logistics to be explored.

Fair Responsibilities:

Nelson organized board members to be responsible for different areas of the fair and encouraged all to be available to the public and help out where needed.

Other Concerns:

Nelson brought up concerns about maintaining the ground in Trotter Arena to drain properly. Several options and procedures were discussed. The timing, process and logistics are to be determined.

Lehmkuhlar moved to adjourn. Chytka seconded. Roll call vote: Voting Yes: Chytka, Lehmkuhlar, Spanel, Pearson, Ryan, Nelson & Atkins. Voting No: None. Absent: Shauda & Stallbaumer. Motion Passed. At 8:38 PM meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Sonya Atkins