

Needville Youth Fair Corp.
Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting
December 3, 2024

The meeting was called to order by President Scotty Wieghat at 7:00 p.m.
Dustin Smith led the opening prayer.

Members and guests registered attendance.

Members present: Mark Weber, Jeremy Simmons, Trey Sawyer, Dustin Smith, Rush Pitts, Brian Satsky, Mark Jochen, Cris Meyer, Kimberly Blezinger, Scotty Wieghat, Michelle West, John West, Marc Hackstedt and Tricia Kaminski

Members Absent (excused): Robin Reeh, Brain Meuth, Jody Teykl, Taryn Teykl, Julie Kveton

Guests: Matt Bryson and Amy Schnacky

Kim Blezinger stated that there was no correspondence to be presented.

Minutes of the November regular monthly meeting were reviewed. A motion from Tricia Kaminski was seconded by Trey Sawyer to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's Report was given by Kim Blezinger. Kim stated that award sponsorship money was coming in, poultry order monies were received and all bills to date had been paid. Trey and Dustin inquired about the copier expenses. Kim said she thought there was a lower fee for non-use months. She added that she would ask Tracey Myska and confirmation from Tracey was obtained. The fee is \$265.00 per month regardless of usage. The prior company charged 100.00 per month. Kim said that she would check with Jody on other specifics with regard to copier.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Poultry – Mark Weber reported that the online entries closed on Friday, November 29th. One family had called in missing the deadline. A total of three families were late and/or missed the deadline. He will place the order in the coming weeks. A discussion opened regarding concern with late entries for poultry as well as the waiving of the late fee. Tricia Kaminski stated that numerous social media posts had been made for the deadline. It was also noted that the ShoWorks portal had been opened since the first week in October for entries. Cris Meyer offered a motion not to waive the late fee and to discuss the matter at a later date. Mark Weber seconded and the motion passed. Exhibitor numbers included 14 for roasters and 19 for broilers.

Scholarships – Tricia reported that the application had been sent to the high school counselor as well as 4-H Leaders and FFA Advisors.

OLD BUSINESS

Kickoff Table Sales Update – Trey reported that 11 tables had been sold / spoken for to date.

Building Update – Dustin reported that the plumbing, sheetrock, sink installation, cabinets and paint had been completed in the new concession area. The next expenditure would be for equipment when funds are available. Scotty stated that the Long-Range Planning Committee had met and discussed getting bids for demolition of old concession stand and opening up of the space under the new covered area. One bid of \$20,000.00 has been

received. This bid does include demo of the slab but there will be a separate fee for pulling out the electrical and plumbing.

Rental Committee Update – Rental Committee members have been going back and forth with Jay McCormick for the rental of the facilities during the major show season for pigs. Several issues including clean-up, overhead, etc. are being ironed out. Mr. McCormick would like to secure rental privileges for the next several years.

2025-2026 Gun Raffle – Scotty will be passing out tickets after meeting. There was discussion about the Facebook wording for advertising to prevent flagging of the page.

NEW BUSINESS

Roof Damage – Scotty reported that at this point, there is a law firm that would like to represent the Needville Youth Fair Corp. in order to obtain the necessary funds to repair the roof. Scotty explained the details and discussed cosmetic versus structural damage. The fee structure details include the law firm receiving 30% of funds awarded. Should the matter go to appeal, they would receive 50%. The Needville Youth Fair Corp. is out no funds upfront. Rush Pitts offered a motion to proceed with obtaining the firm for litigation. John West seconded and the motion passed.

Next Monthly Board Meeting – January 7, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

OTHER DISCUSSION

Tag-ins on January 11th – Scotty reported that Tricia had ordered the tags and things were in order for tag in.

Benefit Set-up – Scotty asked if access would be granted by the KC's for set up the night before. It was stated that there is a new representative for hall rentals. Scotty will get with the new constable for security. It was noted that it might be cheaper to use the City of Needville.

Fair Dates – Mark Weber wanted to confirm fair dates of April 25 – May 4th.

With no other business, Trey offered a motion to dismiss. Rush seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 7:31.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tricia Kaminski
Substitute Recording Secretary

Attachments to monthly minutes for official records:

1. Meeting Agenda
2. Treasurer's Report
3. Minutes of November 5, 2024 Meeting
4. Legal Representation Agreement – Loree & Lipscomb
5. Sign-in Sheet for December 3, 2024