

LINCOLN COUNTY FAIR BOARD MINUTES OCTOBER 18, 2011

Board members present: Gerry, Justine, Dale, Josie and Sarah.
Others present: Lydia, Dan, Eddie, Joyce, Marcy and Scott

A potluck dinner started the evening, good food and conversation was enjoyed by all. At 7:25, Gerry called the meeting to order, asked for corrections or additions to the minutes, none, approved as typed. Going around the table and asking for any new thoughts and ideas, beginning with Lydia. She reported she had all the ribbons counted and stored. There appears to be a large enough stock for next year, with the possible exception of large rosettes, so should be way under budget next year.

Dale-asked what needed to be done to get Friends of the Fair going? The answer, people, time, but most of all money to apply. Discussion about how to get going and possible fundraisers.

Justine-Reported on beer garden to the commissioners at their meeting on the 17th. They were supportive and positive about how it went and the possibilities of another one next year. Asked her to come back in the spring and give an update. Also, Justine, said to let Kathy Eastman handle the concession for the yard sale on the 5th of Nov.

Dan reported that he would turn off water and blow out lines after the RV parking and the Jake Booth Memorial. We will have a few campers that weekend. Also, he and the prisoner from the jail have been working on rebuilding and repairing the spike tooth. There was also a discussion on the loading dock for the manure truck. Justine is checking out the cost of large building blocks, and Scott was asked about the possibility of the road dept helping with setting them in. It was also discussed to check out the option of pouring concrete. Gerry is looking into the feasibility of that project.

Eddie- Who was in charge of the vendor decorating contest, or does anyone know anything about it. After much discussion it was unanimous that Don Howard was the winner and would receive \$50.00 off next years rent at fair time. A letter will go out this week informing him of the award and telling him how to redeem it next year. Also, the question of who served the chicken bbq dinner in 2010 and 2011 and if they were paid was asked and answered. Julie Bjornberg of Reardan Jr. Miss was contacted and we owe her \$150. and Justine had girls from her 4-H club serve and we owe her \$150. Explained that the grants were not completed and turned in, because it became apparent that the amount of the grant would not come near covering what the projects would cost, therefore we will have to try again next year with a project that can come in the range of the grant. Gerry would like to have the yard sale listed on Craig's list and in the Advertiser.

Scott- Asked about the budget and whether an appt had been made to discuss it. Yes.

Gerry- The two letters on TETWP contributions were read to all. The subject of outside RV parking has been introduced, and it was decided that under the canopy of the sale ring would be \$9. and inside the secure fence, but out in the weather would cost \$8. That motion was made by Dale and seconded by Justine. That information will also be advertized on Craig's List. (Outside RV's will be parked between the commercial bldg and the main bldg, out of the drip and snow line of the adjacent buildings) Dale will buy some of the two year old bales of straw, for \$!. Each. Gerry mentioned that Josie had informed him of a golf cart owned by Ryan Rettkowski, that was for sale. It is a gas cart and there was not a lot of interest in getting any more gas carts. The question was presented, Do we need any more carts at this time? Jim Hirst has asked about the possibility of a parade of champions, prior to the rodeo with all the winners announced. It was decided to have him come to a spring meeting to

discuss this. We had a complaint about our rodeo vendor, in relation to how he did his cotton candy. It is evident we need a different vendor at the rodeo grounds. The concensus is that this vendor will not be back. It was brought to Gerry's attention that we should have more teen dances during the year. Overall attendance at the 2011 fair seems to have been down about 20%. Wristband sales were up and gate was down. Josie made motion, seconded by Justine to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 with the next meeting to be decided in Jan. 2012

Respectfully submitted

Eddie Berry