

Minutes
White County Ag. Association Meeting
Tuesday, September 20, 2016, 7:00 p.m.
4-H Building, Reynolds

Call to Order – Jeff Campbell

Secretary's Minutes – Kim Stockment

- Noted to change Andy Stoll to Andy Tolley in sound system dicussion notes.
- Ron Byrd moved to approve. Seconded and passed.

Treasurer's Report – Marleta Misch

- No report, as Marleta was absent. Any questions directed to Marleta or Exec. Board.

Jr. Leader Report

- Ron Byrd noted that they had their callout last night, with 6-7 new kids joining the group. They will attend Exploration Acres next month, and Kelly Soloman has agreed to co-advise the group.

Goat Committee Presentation

- Brian Barnes presented on behalf of the committee to address & answer questions regarding the proposed Goat Barn Expansion Project. Greg Duvall moved to allow the Goat Club to pursue going ahead with the Goat Barn expansion project. Motion was seconded. Additional discussion took place. The targeted build date is Spring 2017, done in time for the 2017 Fair. Joe Demerly shared concerns about the Ag Association putting money into the Goat Barn expansion before infrastructure on the grounds. Randy Freshour called for the question. Motion to allow the club to seek funding opportunities passed.

Committee Reports

Booster Club

- Cindy Griffin reported that she is working to obtain the list from the office of 2016 donors to move forward with 2017 solicitations. She mentioned wanting to work towards a more face to face approach with area businesses.

Commercial

- Kim Stockment reported on the research the committee has recently completed on the pricing of a carnival vs. the Family Fun Zone route. The committee determined Family Fun Zone is the best route for now, and has booked A1 for Fun to secure some of the bigger rides/attractions.
- Kim also questioned rolling committees together and not losing time on lost member/empty committees and the best way to do that. Candis will send out a list of duties by committee (also in beginners packet) and we will discuss at the next meeting.

Grounds

- Randy Freshour mentioned a water leak near Bob Olivers stand. Addressed and corrected.
- Rnady also mentioned discussing the survey/locates with Kevin Kelley, but he cannot do it. Randy will continue to find someone to do this.
- Jeff Campbell added that Nipsco will be coming to remove some trees, and we will be in charge of the clean up. Dates will be announced when available.

Livestock Auction

- Denise Schroeder mentioned that there are 10 buyers left to pay and that the member checks have all been mailed.

Queen

- Kalissa ___ reported on behalf of the Queen committee. Jan is working with FBI and asked if they were clear to proceed with building by 2017. After discussion, Kalissa agreed to bring a presentation to the October meeting to share ideas and gain approval.

Sound

- Jeff Campbell reported we have several sound issues around the grounds.

Feasibility Study

- Cindy Campbell reported that we are in the final stages of the proforma for the feasibility study and hopes to do a Ag Association presentation at the November meeting.

Other

Unfinished Business

- Building Rental Contract
 - Candis suggested making some decisions on this issue. Kim Stockment moved to go forward with the updated draft, including alcohol. Seconded & failed.
 - Kim agreed to have the draft updated, including all updated insurance language and pricing as per the proforma for presentation at the October meeting.
- Hintzman Property
 - Randy Freshour reported that the committee met, and reviewed the three bids for different pieces of work that need to be done to the house to bring it up to scale. In all, it was a nearly \$10,000 upgrade. They also received a quote/offer to remove the whole building for nothing, if we assist with hauling it away. The committee voted to remove the building. Sara Shelton moved to follow the committee's recommendation to remove the house completely. This motion was seconded. Andy Stoll mentioned that Jerry Skinner offered \$2500 to keep the garage, but the committee chose to demolish all of the property, and suggested they use that \$2500 for a picnic shelter on the farm property. Phil Hunt offered alternative options of selling to move the house or selling off that parcel of land. Ron Byrd called for the vote, Kim seconded. Motion passed to follow the committee's recommendation. Phil Hunt then moved to use the remaining house funds for a future campground – ear tagging those funds to include a memorial sign for Fred & Honey, such as the “Hintzman Campground”. This motion was seconded and passed.
- Survey Results
 - Jeff Campbell passed around the survey results and asked committees to respond accordingly.
- January Meeting
 - Sara Shelton took a straw poll asking if Top Notch would be an okay location for the January meeting. All approved.
- Open Board Positions

- Candis reported which positions were currently open, and that she believes Sam Foutch and Chad Dahlenburg are the only two who could fill vacant spots in their home townships, without upsetting their term limit. Nominating committee will further review.
- Cindy Campbell mentioned that Honey Creek will be putting up a new “Welcome” sign in honor of the Fleck Family on behalf of the HC club. This sign will be dedicated at their October meeting.

New Business

- 4-H Youth Development Extension Educator Update
 - Candis announced that next Friday (Sept. 30) is her last day. Hiring process is in place. She appreciated her time here, but is excited to move home to be nearer to family.
- Enrollment Updates
 - Candis also mentioned that enrollment is Oct 1 – Jan 15, and that online enrollment is preferred.

Jeff Campbell moved to adjourn. Motion passed.