

MINUTES
White County Agricultural Association Meeting
Wednesday, February 1, 2023
4-H Building, Reynolds, IN

Present- Keith Altman, Lee Anderson, Molly Childers, Samantha Chitty, Maddie Clark, Ashley Clark, Jon Coy, Lauren Dimmitt, Deb Foutch, Randy Freshour, Luke Furrer, Roger Geisler, April Hall, Rodney Hall, Trent Hall, Scott Hood, Betty Kelly, Jeremy Lemming, Caleb McClure, Bob Oliver, Jon Tebo

Not Present- Kyle Arvin, Jr. Leader Rep, Doug Morehouse, Josh Robertson, Baily Tanner, Andrew Westfall, Denise Schroeder

Guests-

Call to Order-President, Randy Freshour, called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

Secretary's Minutes-On a motion by Betty Kelly and seconded by Jon Tebo the minutes from the January 4, 2023, meeting was approved as written.

Treasurer's Report- Keith was present to report. Keith is meeting with accountant next week. Awards and Entertainment are negative – are we supposed to move money from other accounts to make these positive. 4her donations expense was bigger than \$1700.00, need to double check on actual donation amount. 1099's for January have been sent out.

Jr. Leader Report- They met in January and again February 2nd with just officers to discuss the rest of the year. They are starting to come up with ideas for fair week.

4-H Update-Molly Childers was present to report. We have 436 regular 4-H members, 120 mini 4-H members, 115 volunteers – 40 of those are still awaiting to be reviewed which means they haven't finished the trainings. This is much higher than what we had this time last year. Hope to have handbooks out by the end of this week. Volunteer Ag Association members were emailed that still needed to complete paperwork or training.

Committee Reports

- **Grounds-** Luke was present to report. Flooring – updated quotes – Luke met with Deb from Miller's Flooring. In the entryway looking into putting a laminate flooring that is similar to the rest of the flooring. Should have more pricing on options next meeting. There is a toilet in the women's restroom that is running – the town also contacted Luke to let him know there will be a really big water bill due to a leak. The town said we used around 125,000 gallons of water. There is an insurance for the town water that we are paying for, in a situation like this they will help us with the bill up to \$1000.00. The process has been started with the insurance company. Luke is also going to change the flappers and flush handles on several of the toilets in the building. The stage's original

permit did not include the bathroom, Area Plan contacted Luke and he's getting it permitted with updated drawings with the bathroom included. If everything is done within the next 60 days we shouldn't be fined. Luke will bring his lift in soon to address some of the security lights. Landscaping quotes for around the building, Sam will put a post on the Facebook page. April 1st grounds cleanup day. Paving some of the drives before fair week.

- **Event-** Lauren Dimmitt was present to report. Sunday and Monday's entertainment is locked in for fair week. The inflatables have been booked. They are still working on more entertainment. Anyone who knows any good bands let them know.
- **Development-** Jon Tebo was present to report. All booster packets have been stamped, sealed and ready to be mailed out. Still need a few addresses.
- **4-H Programming-** Doug Morehouse was not present to report.

Unfinished Business:

- **Committee Signup**
- **75th Anniversary of Fairgrounds/ 4-H Fair** – Put a post on Facebook. If anyone has thoughts/ideas or wants to do something get in touch with April Hall. A running video of interviews of folks that have been involved in the program for several years.
- **Other -**

New Business:

- **YQCA Coupon Codes** – We are not using YQCA this year, but it is a similar program. There are no coupons this year. It's \$3/person – do you want to sponsor a certain amount of people or all? Deb Foutch made a motion to pay for all the White County 4-H members through the Bank of Wolcott fund. Lauren Dimmett seconded the motion. The motion passed.
- **4-H Camp Fees** – Camp is \$180 per person. April Hall made a motion to pay 50% of the camp fee for each of the participants out of the Bank of Wolcott fund. The motion was seconded by Trent Hall. The motion passed.
- **Bottle Calf and Goat Judge Rates** – The spark club requested \$30 for the bottle calf judge, Randy thinks we should take it to \$50. The goat committee wants to increase their dairy and pigmy judge to \$300 and the meat judge to \$250. Originally the bottle calf judge was \$0 - \$25. Molly was emailing a judge and the minimum she'd come for was \$30. The meat judge was \$150 before and dairy and pigmy was \$200. Luke Furrer made a motion to raise the bottle calf judge to \$50. Jon Tebo seconded the motion. The motion passed to raise the bottle calf judge rate. After discussion no decision was made on raising the dairy, pigmy and meat goat judges.
- **Other** – Travis Clark from Monticello City Police department reached out to Samantha Chitty. The City and Sheriff's Departments are wanting to do some type of training in or around September. They'd like to use the fairgrounds. They don't know all details yet, they just wanted to throw it on the table to see if using the fairgrounds would be

possible. They are also using the Reynolds School and old highway garage. They'd just like to use one of the roads for a traffic stop training.

Upcoming Dates

- March 4th – Beef Weigh In
- April 1st – Cleanup Day
- April 15th – Alternate Cleanup Day
- April 21st – Ag Day

Next Meeting: Wednesday, March 1, 2023, 7:00pm 4-H building, Reynolds

Adjourn- The meeting adjourned at 8:03pm.