

Shawano County 4-H Livestock Committee

January 25, 2024

Present: (38) Paul McClone, Elizabeth Inman, Jeff Hintz, Mandi McClone, Heather Kolodziej, Sam Bulger-Posbrig, Emma Inman, Eli Inman, Bill Inman, Bill Bohn, Trevor Bohn, Gracie Bohn, Amelia Sikorski, Wayne Posbrig, Joel Nischke, Warren Raddatz, Terri Dallas, Adam VanHaren, Jeff Kabara, Zach Kabara, Kelli Posbrig, Nancy Schauer, Evelyn Mihalski, Katelyn Mihalski, Drew Mihalski, Carrie Mihalski, Andy Mihalski, Andy Damveld, Gina Damveld, Halie Damveld, Gracie Damveld, Jake Kerns, Aiden Kerns, Camden Kerns, Linsley Kerns, Tami Goers, Megan Suehring, Maria Watters

Pledge of Allegiance: Amelia Sikorski 4-H Pledge: Gracie Bohn

Secretary's Report: M: Mandi McClone, 2nd: Emma Inman, Vote: Approved

Treasurer's Report: M: Gracie Bohn, 2nd: Eli Inman, Vote: Approved

- Discussion surrounding transfer of \$1,614.75 to Leaders Inc for ½ of Treasurer's salary. Why was the transfer done? Livestock Committee's By-laws state it is a volunteer position and unpaid. Nancy informed Committee that she was retiring. Motion made by Heather and 2nd by Bill Bohn to allow the transfer of money to remain, thank Nancy for her service and wish her well in retirement. Vote: Approved

Motion to deviate from the agenda as needed. M: Emma Inman, 2nd: Amelia Sikorski, Vote: Approved

Old Business:

1. Committee Reports

- a. Education: Joel was contacted by Roskom's asking if Shawano Cty had a meat judging team as Outagamie Cty was looking for a new coach/leader for their team as they lost theirs. It was mentioned that Lindsay Johnson wanted to see a meat judging team in Shawano and was looking for feedback and had posted it on Facebook. Eli talked to all Adult and Youth chairs regarding the possibility of having an ultrasound/carcass clinic done by Dr Ryes. Eli and Emma to contact him for more information. Kelli looking for permission to earn 2 educational credits by doing a job shadow with Greenstone Farm Credit Services. Board had no issues with this. A beef fitting clinic is scheduled for June 27th @ 5:30 pm.
- b. DNA/Ear Tagging/Weigh-In/Scale: Ear tags and DNA kits will be going up in price but if we order another batch before the deadline, we can still get old pricing. Motion was made by Emma and 2nd by Gracie to order another years' worth of ear tags/DNA kits. Vote: Approved Discussion surrounding who from Extension office will be at the initial beef weigh in to collect DNA/Contracts as well as if we needed additional help. Heather and/or Tami will be there.
- c. Policies/Rules: Warren asked about clarification and insight into Reserved Parking issues during the fair based upon the notes from the previous meeting.
- d. Packing Plants: No report
- e. Auction Logistics & Forms: No report
- f. Scholarship: No report
- g. Educational Funding Requests: No report

2. Ag Society

- a. Pig Barn roof being contracted out and will be completed prior to 2024 fair
- b. Survey being done on Air Movement within buildings. Rabbit/Poultry barn will be looked at.

3. Two Signature Check

- a. No longer a discussion as this was not tabled in December. Discussion was regarding a Co-Treasurer position where one person would take care of check writing duties and the other person would audit all the books. Sam asked when Nancy was retiring. Nancy stated yesterday was her last day.

She went on to explain her duties, it's challenges and what she believes is required in a Treasurer. After additional conversation, she did say she was willing to train and shadow the replacement.

New Business:

1. By-laws

- a. Should By-laws be updated for two signature checks? Nancy pointed out that Credit Card for Leaders Inc was used to do all purchases and there was discussion surrounding that and why that was occurring. Nancy also stated Kerber Rose does not do things timely and constantly filing for extensions. The latest extension caused the Livestock Committee to pay an additional \$700+ in fines as Kerber Rose missed extension deadline. Paul was looking for discussion on how to proceed but no one commented. No discussion on any changes. Terri asked about what type of advice Kerber Rose gave Nancy regarding having account audited and Nancy said nothing was ever said and no audits were ever done. Gina asked if Treasurer position should be paid as there was so much work involved. Bill Inman stated that more than just the Treasurer do a lot of work too and no one else received compensation as all the roles are voluntary. Mandi suggested advertising position & looking for others who might be interested in the treasurer position. Heather pointed out that By-laws could be amended at any time. Paul ended discussion and stated we are moving on to next topic.

2. Sub Committee

- a. A few more volunteers were added after mandatory meeting.

3. Awards

- a. Kids suggestions from mandatory meeting given to Jeff Hintz to compile and report back on. Mandi commented that when she was at the Fairest of the Fair some individuals had garment bags for show shirts/clothes to keep them nice.
- b. Animal Science Days – June 18, 2024 (Tuesday) @ approx. 9am
 - i. Megan has an upcoming mtg to get more information and caught up on details. Once that occurs, she will be able to advise where, when and what volunteers are needed, and committee will be formed. Asked what Animals Science Days are - Live judging contests in all areas. Photography contest, Poster contest, etc. Approx 150-200 kids to attend. This is a big "tip of the hat" to be chosen as a host venue due to Shawano being know for quality animals, quality youth and quality volunteers.

Other New Business:

1. Sam would like to have a plan of action put in place for getting a new Treasurer. Any type of action plan is needed. Jeff H asked why Nancy is leaving now when he was under the understanding from previous meeting discussions that she agreed to stay until elections in November. Nancy reiterated she would be around to help train anyone new and that she would not leave us high and dry. It was again asked if we could spread the word via FB. Further discussion was had on appointing individuals and/or special elections.

Future Agenda Items: none

Adjourn: M: Gracie Bohn, 2nd: Eli Inman, Vote: Approved

Next meeting Feb 22nd @ 7:30 pm in the Courthouse basement Rm A-B

Submitted by Elizabeth Inman

