MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

Judith Basin County Fair Board Meeting Minutes

March 2nd, 2026 JB Co. Courthouse - Stanford, MT

Call to order at 5:29 pm by Fair Board President Janet Wertheimer, also present were Fair Board members Kallie Probert, Dawnita Sampsel, Don Hajenga, Chad Waltz, Bruce Neumann and Sidney Stratton.

Minutes were approved by Dawnita and a second was given by Kallie.

No Treasurers report given.

No public comments were offered.

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Old Business

Fairground Improvements:

- Sidney is working on contacting Tim to fix the water pipe at the wash racks.
- One of the garage doors in the beef barn has come off the hinges and will need to be replaced – Sidney will contact Tim about this as well. Additionally, some siding is coming off the beef barn, but will opt out of fixing until major repairs are done to the swine and beef barns.
- Sidney and Dawnita will contact Jim Sheppard about the men's bathrooms and inquire about putting a trough into the men's bathrooms for short term fixes.
- Sidney updated on quotes that have been received for the new fairground facilities and bathroom re-do. Is still working on finalizing plans and then will move forward with searching for funding.

Add-on Discussion Finalized

- Everyone agreed to adding fair add-ons to this year's sale. Sidney will work with Dawnita on logistics along side of the 4-H Council.

New Business

Fair – things to be thinking about:

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- Livestock sale load out is covered, Powell is 90% sure Kyle is confirmed as the Auctioneer, and butchers are being finalized for confirmation for sale on July 31st.
- Sidney and the 4-H Council are still working on finalizing fair judges but will confirm at Council meeting on Wednesday.
- Sidney will get ahold of Rodger to empty manure pile and organize getting shavings for fair this year.
- Dawnita will get ahold of Republic for dumpsters this year.
- Sidney will call BS Livestock Scales to certify the beef scale for fair this year.

Next Fair Board meeting date set for Monday **June 1st @ 5:30pm.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:59 pm by Kallie, 2nd by Dawnita.

Minutes prepared by Sidney Stratton, Ext. Agent

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