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Judith Basin County Fair Board Meeting Minutes

June 29, 2026 JB Co. Courthouse - Stanford, MT

Call to order at 5:37 pm by Fair Board President Janet Wertheimer, also present were Fair Board members Kallie Probert, Powell Becker, Billie Jo Holzer, Brenda McCray, Bruce Neumann and Sidney Stratton.

Minutes were approved by Billie Jo and a second was given by Kallie.

Treasurer's Report given by Powell. Sale account is sitting at $5,648.13.

No public comments were offered.

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Old Business

Fairground Improvements:

- Tim will be fixing the water pipe for the wash-racks before fair. It was moved by Bruce to allow Tim to replace and fix whatever is necessary for the repairs on the wash racks, motion seconded by Powell. Motion passed.
- Sidney updated everyone on the new beef barn door's cost and that the old doors needed to be removed. Powell mentioned that the Stampede club could potentially get rid of them.
- Sidney mentioned that the food booth is in need of a new fridge. Powell moved that Sidney shall be given free reign to find a commercial fridge prior to fair this year, seconded by Bruce. Motion carried, Sidney will work on ordering a new fridge for the food booth.
- Rodger will clean out shavings pile, dumpsters have arrived at the fair grounds
- The sound system price has gone up about $150, so we potentially may want to look at ordering a sound system for the fairgrounds
- Scale certification set for Wednesday July 22 – with the cost being so high for mileage, we may want to look at finding a permanent spot for the scale so certification does not need to happen every year.
- Powell (Stockman Bank) offered to sponsor the buyer appreciation dinner this year since we have still not found one. The 4-H council is doing a

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silent auction this year with the indoor exhibit projects and will be open from 3:30-6pm with winners announced during the sale – the council will handle all the money.

- Sidney will investigate Wi-Fi at the fairgrounds whether it's Starlink, a hotspot or something similar.

New Business

- Fairground scheduled events – 6/30, 7/2-7/5, 7/18-7/19, 7/27-7/31, 8/8-8/9
- 2027 Fair Dates: July 26 through July 30, 2027. Motion was made by Brenda, seconded by Kallie. Motion passed unanimously.
- Next meeting term renewals and officer elections-
    - Term renewals: Kallie Probert, Janet Wertheimer (4-year terms)

Next Fair Board meeting date set for Monday **September 21 @ 5:30pm.**

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 pm by Billie Jo, 2nd by Brenda.

Minutes prepared by Sidney Stratton, Ext. Agent

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