Judith Basin County Fair Board Meeting Minutes

June 10, 2024 JB Co. Courthouse - Stanford, MT

Call to order at 5:35 pm by Chairperson Janet Wertheimer, also present were Dawnita Sampsel, Sigrid Deegan, Powell Becker, Billie Jo Holzer, Don Hjenga and Rebecca Martin

Minutes from April were reviewed. Sigrid motioned to approve minutes as read and it was seconded by Dawnita.

Dawnita advised that the checking account has an approximate balance of $4030.41.

No announcements or public comment were offered.

Old Business

- Powell made a motion that the 2025 Fair be held the week of July 28, 2025. Motion was seconded by Dawnita and passed.
- Fairgrounds improvements
    - Fair Grounds curb stop has been repaired and all water leaks have been resolved.
    - Rebecca will schedule the scale certification after the Rodeo weekend.
    - Don Hjenga reported that the commissioners have contacted surrounding counties about their fairgrounds usage fees. Many charge a small fee for special events from $50 - $250. Most do not charge for county related events.

New Business

- New scale from JB Co. Farm Bureau has not been delivered yet. 4-H leaders have arranged for a concrete pad to be installed once the scale is delivered.
- 2025 Fair budget will be requested in the same amount as the 2024 budget.
- Powell will contact Republic Services about a dumpster delivery. It has been requested that we get a 30 yard dumpster to do a clean up of the fairgrounds.
- Powell began discussion about the option of condensing future fairs into a 5 day program rather than 6. Ideally it would run Monday – Friday with the Sale falling on Friday evening. The board asked Rebecca to take this suggestion to the 4-H Council for their input.
- Dawnita recommended that a fair board meeting be held in July to provide Rebecca with additional support leading up to the start of fair.

Next meeting date set for July 22, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:19 pm.

Minutes prepared by Rebecca Martin, Ext. Admin