

Mercer County Fair Association

1400 Hwy 49 N #103
Beulah, ND 58523

MEETING MINUTES

Mercer County Fairgrounds

June 18, 2019

2019 Fair Board Directors

Lenny Tesky, President
Corey Voegelé, Vice President
Donna Buchmann, Treasurer
Craig Askim, Secretary
Rick Bauman
Laura Benz
Vern Muscha
Chris Renner
Rick Skraba
Rita Skraba
Stacy Welk

The meeting was called to order by President Lenny Tesky at 7:13 p.m.

Members Present: Laura Benz, Donna Buchmann, Vern Muscha, Chris Renner, Tesky, Corey Voegelé, Stacy Welk

Members Absent: Rick Bauman, Rick Skraba, Rita Skraba

Guest: Dwight Berger

Secretary's Report: Laura moved to suspend the reading of the May 14 minutes. Stacy seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Donna gave the treasurer's report. Balance on hand as of June 18 is \$109,810.53.

Correspondence:

- Hazen Meats is interested in sponsoring entertainment at the Mercer County Fair.
- Krista Baytosh – Activities Director from Knife River Care Center requested to expand the parade route to the care center. The Board thanked her and stated they could ask the parade participants if they would continue to drive up to the care center once they pass the fairgrounds.

Old Business:

- **West River Transportation** – The Board reviewed the proposed route with possible stop locations and times. They would like to have bus stops at 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., and 10 p.m. Vern will present the proposal to West River for their approval.
- **Panels** – Vern purchased 14 panels from TSC in Hazen. He asked if six more should be purchased from Cenex of Beulah. After discussion, the Board decided to purchase all the same type panels from TSC.
- **Fairground Improvements** – Vern presented a work proposal letter from Western Edge Welding to install a wash rack fence, replace poles and fix the chute at the arena. Stacy moved to approve the proposal. Donna seconded. Motion carried.

- **Generator** – Corey will try get a second generator to use during the fair.
- **Entertainment** – Laura said the entertainment is booked. The advertising has been slow, but is starting to pick up.
- **ATM Machine** – An ATM machine is reserved for use during the fair.
- **Help for Beer Gardens** – More help is needed to fill the shifts for working in the beer gardens. Laura is working on that.
- **RDO Request for Display**– RDO Equipment requested to have a small equipment display during the fair. The Board approved to have the display in the front of the civic center.
- **Bleachers in Beer Garden** – The Board discussed whether it would be a good idea to put bleachers in the beer garden area. They decided against it.
- **Camp Sites** – Vern stated six camp sites are still available on the fairgrounds.
- **Beulah Parks and Rec Request to Use Tents** – Lenny said the Beulah Parks and Rec requested to use the tents for the Dakota Walleye Classic on July 27. The Board approved.
- **Carnival Passes (Basketball)** – The Board approved to offer carnival passes to the Beulah Traveling Basketball group that is conducting the 3 on 3 basketball tournament.
- **Set-up Night** – Scheduled for July 9 at 5 p.m. at the fairgrounds.

New Business: None

Other Business: None

Next meeting Date: July 9, 2019, after set-up, at the fairgrounds

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

Submitted by: Craig Askim,
CEA/Fair Board Secretary