

JOHNSON COUNTY FAIR BOARD

MINUTES

NOVEMBER 10, 2020

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: 6:07PM

Attendance: Laci Schiffer, Byron Geis, Kevin Rod, Kelly Camino, John Driskal, John Collins, Commissioner Bill Novotny, Gary Arno, Mike Mader (phone)

GUESTS:

John Driskal: Update from wool show at fair. 40 total fleeces, 7 of 10 were youth, awards of banners and mugs were given out along with \$635.00 to everyone. It sounded like everyone was happy and would like to continue moving forward.

Commissioner Bill Novotny: Ditch update- Working with Clear Creek Conservation district working towards phase 2 of the snider ditch. Pipe from headgate to Fetterman. Working on the designs and updates. Will keep the board updated the more we know.

UPDATES:

REPORTS:

- Caretaker's Report: Cleaning of shop, working on block barn, traffic counter is finally in, working on install of fence. Looking for 2 7/8 and 2 3/8 pipe to finish fence.
 - Kelly moved to purchase 50 sticks of 2 7/8 and 50 sticks of 2 3/8
 - Kevin second
 - passed
- Secretary's Report
 - o Minutes
 - o Payables: please review all items highlighted in yellow
 - o Payroll
 - o Kristen talked about pricing and looking at how we can maintain our prices for 2020 and look at changing pricing for 2021. Also talked about groups that use the facility for free without cleaning like request.
 - Kevin moved to charge 4-H \$350/month for all activities. If cleaned will be refunded.
 - Byron second
 - Passed
 - Kevin moved to approve secretary's report
 - Kelly Second
 - Passed
- Foundation Report: Kristen reported the foundation has decided to cancel the 2021 Foundation dinner due to COVID and the uncertainties for January.
- Livestock Committee Report: Next Meeting Monday Nov. 23rd at 6:30
- Queen Report: none

OLD BUSINESS:

- Buildings
 - o Community Building: working with Dale, but have no updates as of yet
 - o Arena: Glen set out an update with pricing. Board requested Kristen and Mike work together to see if we can get the numbers to a little better range before we present to the foundation.
- Grants
 - o 1%:
 - Entryway
 - Dirt work
 - LED lights for under sale barn

NEXT MEETING DATES

November 12th

December 10th

- Rec Grant: Next meeting
- Tree Grant: Not this year
- Fair and Rodeo 2021
 - Entertainment
 - Whistle Nut- Yes
 - Concert Opening act: Will ask around, and find out pricing

Adjourned: 9:03 PM

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS:

NEXT MEETING DATES

November 12th

December 10th

Johnson County Fair Board Strategic Planning

Mission

The Board of Directors of the Johnson County Fair is committed to producing a successful fair which promotes and advance the interest of agriculture and community development. The Fair Board is committed to preserve, improve and promote the JCFG property as a premier site for agricultural, educational and community events

Goals

The Johnson County Fair Board Goals:

o Yearly

- o When possible use maintenance free items on any upgrades
- o Tree maintenance
 - A. A prioritized list of trees that need trimmed
 - B. Add new trees to designated area (work with Foundation on memorial trees)
 - C. Have a mapped-out tree plan where we need to plant new trees
 - D. Mapped area of what trees need removed

o 1 Year 2020/2021

- o Entryway- Obtain bids and put as a budget item for 20/21
 - Main Entry- Rock entry with gates and flower area
 - North Entry- Log entry with gates
 - Southern Entry- Log entry with gates
- o Fence updates-Funds Requested from 1%- fence along north entrance
- ~~o Barn updates~~
 - ~~• Funds Requested from 1% update 1/2 block barn for cow/calf pairs, 1/2 block barn chicken/rabbit area. Block barn year round Horse Barn~~
 - ~~• Repurpose old chicken/rabbit barn for shaded picnic area in the infield and camping area~~
 - ~~• Funds Requested from 1% gutters to barns~~
- o Arena and Track Ground Updates. Put as a Budget item for 20/21
 - Find a company that can look at our soil to see what we might need to add or if we need to start fresh
 - Receive bids for Track area in front of the grandstands
 - Receive bids for Main Arena
 - Receive bids for second arena
- ~~o Update sound system in the show ring Request money from JC Rec Board~~
- o Produce a mailer to use as a promotional mailing to solicited national shows including horse, cattle, sheep, goats etc. Request money from Tourism Board
- o Update all barns to include LED: show ring

2023 (3 year)-

- o Extend Sheep Barn Work with Builders
- o Build a bigger CB- replace exhibit hall, cook shack, needle craft and block bathrooms
 - Contact current renters of the CB to ask what would you like to see in a new building
 - Work with an architect and JOCO First to obtain a building design and costs
 - Work with county entities to obtain funding plan for the building
 - Work with county entities to obtain funding for table, chairs, exhibit displays and other supplies for a new CB Receive bids for Main Arena
 - Research grants and partnerships

- Make a plan for Removal of exhibit hall, cook shack needle craft and black bathroom
 - Can they be used elsewhere on the grounds or can another county entities use them
 - If they can't be salvaged plan for tear down and dumping
- Update Current CB
 - Retrofit outside to mirror new CB
 - Update inside CD flooring
 - Add office space
 - Add board room
- Pave and level parking lots
 - Obtain bids
 - Research funding options or grants
- ~~○ Track rail fence paint and update~~
- Finish water line phase 2 & 3
- Install a Security System around grounds
 - Obtain bids
 - Reach out to other fair grounds to see what they are using
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2025(5 year)-

- Add new camping area south of tractor shed.
 - Research Grants and partnership for funding
 - Mark out area for camping so we can start planting trees in camping area
- Build a multipurpose ag building south of Extension office
 - Research multipurpose buildings in the area to see what their strengths and weakness are.
 - Work with an architect and JOCO First to obtain a building design and costs
 - Research grant and partnerships for funding
 - Work with foundation on private funding plan for the building