

PRICE COUNTY FAIR
Regular Meeting August 13, 2019
6 p.m. Price County Fairgrounds

Members present: Peter Dahlie, Michelle Drobnik (came late), Amy Karpenske, Jan Hardginski, Wyatt Lebal, Christine McMillan, Virginia McMillan, Sue Nordall, Pat Vlach, Hannah Eibergen

Absent: Kristy Ann Carlson, Paul Dischler, Doug Kirby (excused), Brook Lebal (excused)

Others present: none

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Peter Dahlie at 6 pm.

Minutes: Motion by Jan Hardginski, seconded by Pat Vlach to approve the minutes of the July 29, 2019 meeting. Motion passed.

Public Comments/Correspondence: None

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: Menu will be spaghetti, with salads, etc. and will be held in the Northwoods building on August 15th.

Quilt Display: Helping Hands Quilters will be at fairgrounds on August 19th to put of the quilts. They will need a helper to hang quilts.

Butterfly House: Mark Peterson will open Friday through Sunday from 10-4. He will also have tarantulas, hissing cockroaches. We are still in need of finding a tent. Michelle Drobnik may be able to secure one.

Set Up of Fairgrounds

Stages: Bob Bohn will bring his own stage and set up on the north side of the open class building. Benches will be set up around his stage area and also by the main stage for the juggling show.

Picnic Tables: Pete Dahlie wants most by the 4H and some by other food vendors. Boy Scouts should have a ½ dozen tables per agreement.

Benches: Most should be around the stages and a few around the grounds and carnival.

Garbage Barrels/Recycling Containers: We had around 8 from last year. We should be able to salvage 6 of them.

Fair Workers

Gate Workers: The schedule is currently being worked out and will be given to workers when complete.

Bathroom Cleaners: We have hired 2 young women.

Grounds Workers: Gary will be working the fair possibly along with Brian Kerner.

Parking Lot: We have hired two men.

Trolley Driver: Discussions were made about use of the trolley. Christine McMillan's stated her husband could drive a few hours Friday/Saturday, but not Sunday. She also said we need a tractor to run the trolley. Pete Dahlie stated we should have one. Michelle Drobnik said Polaceks may be willing to donate tractors for fair use, and also Lulich's are donating tractors and a skidsteer as well. Christine McMillan also stated we need tractors for the pulls Saturday night and Sunday afternoon.

Host for Log School: Retired Teachers of Price County are going to work the Log School. Pete Dahlie is working with the to make up a schedule.

Golf Carts: Jan Hardginski is getting a cart from the Park Falls Golf Course but we need to pick it up. Pete Dahlie indicated we are not able to get a cart for use from Westwood.

Antique Association: Sylvia Kerner will be getting a schedule to the fair, but said they are going to have to cut back their hours.

Building Cleaning: Sue Nordell has been working hard for the last few weeks cleaning the buildings. They are looking good.

Miss Wisconsin: Miss Wisconsin will be at the fair on Thursday from 4-9 and Friday from 3-8. She will judge the karaoke contest, pass out fair ribbons and do other visiting and appearances throughout the fair.

State Fairest of the Fair: Meghan Buechel plans to visit the fair on Friday from 5-7. Other local princesses may also be visiting the fair.

Square Dance: Square dance will be held Saturday evening at 7 p.m in the livestock barn.

Digital Media/Advertising: A schedule and sponsors are posted on the fair facebook page and also on the fair website.

Opening Ceremony: Will be held on Thursday morning at 10 a.m. Donuts & coffee will be served in the Theater Building after the ceremony.

Committees

Advertising/Entertainment/Fundraising:

Banner- 2019 Banner is up. We should fill out the paperwork for 2020 in January for next year.

Posters- The majority of posters are up.

Newspaper- Advertising is set.

Radio- Medford pre-recorded an interview to air and will also have twenty 30 second ads on 2 different stations. Tomahawk station will have two live interviews and also commercial ads. Park Falls Reality Radio will air a live interview with Pete Dahlie and Virginia McMillan.

Sponsor Thank you Letters- have been mailed out.

Printed Schedules- These are printed and will be given out at fair entrance and also on the board in the fairgrounds.

Karaoke Contest- Judges are set.

Bands- Tom Katalin performs Thursday, Rising Phoenix Friday, Casey Muessigmann Saturday.

ATV/Lawnmower Pull- Set for 6 p.m. Saturday. A tractor is needed for sled/grader for the track. Michelle Drobnik will talk to Polacek's or Lulich's for a back blade.

Horse Pull- Scheduled for Sunday at Noon. A tractor is needed for this event. Virginia McMillan will announce.

Dan Kirk/Bob Bohn- Times will be scheduled so they do not conflict with each others shows.

4H Billboards- Michelle Drobnik has seen 2 around the area. Pete Dahlie asked about a judging contest. Clubs need to get us a photo so we can judge. Discussions were regarding rules and if a trophy should be given out. Pat Vlach added that Andrea Rippley should be called to contact the 4H Club leaders.

Other- There will no BBQ Contest, What is it Worth and JDJ Funny Farm will not be coming this year. There will also be no church service as we do not have anyone to lead it this year.

Buildings & Grounds:

Camping Spaces: Christine and Virginia McMillan will mark the spaces on Sunday.

Grandstand Announcers Stand: It is ready to go except for painting the floor.

Two Leaking Water Lines- Gary Bukouricz repaired both waterlines. One to the bathrooms and one near the fence by carnival camping.

Grading- Town of Worcester agreed to donate their time to grade.

Commercial Vendors: Jan Hardginski is in charge of marking the ground for outdoor vendors. The indoor vendors spots are full and tables will be set up.

Policy: 4H Dining Hall Contract- They are keeping their 3 year agreement and no changes at this point.

Beer Contract- A change will be made to the contract to remove the 20x20 tent restriction.

Boy Scouts Contract- No changes at this time.

Exhibits/Livestock:

Superintendants- One new this year.

Judges Boxes- Ribbons are here. Sue Nordell will put the boxes together. She also agreed to help out with assisting judges if needed.

Livestock Buildings Prep- Horse council is moving sawdust. Kent will help with water spickets, Becky with chicken and Rabbit Barn, 4H kids will help with set-up on Monday. Gary Bukouricz doesn't want shavings bags put in the trash barrels. He will have bags to stuff them in for disposal. Speakers are also needed in the livestock barn. All equipment is here to be set-up.

Judges- Thursday is set. Friday is a lighter schedule. We will have 1 new judge only till 11 a.m. Thursday judging will be beef and sheep. Hogs will be Friday morning. The horse show and dairy will be normal schedule.

Finance: Pete Dahlie talked about Winter Storage Revenue for this year and getting post cards mailed.

Old Business: Virginia McMillan printed a fair office sign up sheet. The Fair Person of the Year plaque is one. Pete will present to Bev Brayton during the opening Ceremony on Thursday morning. The new sound system equipment is here. Michelle Drobnik stated she will need someone to help set it up.

New Business: A list of emergency contact and after hours numbers needs to be printed out for the fair office.

Next Meeting Date: Members will be notified if we need another meeting before the start of the fair. Otherwise, a date will be decided upon for the next meeting after the fair is over.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 8:20 p.m. Pat Vlach motioned to adjourn and seconded by Christine McMillan.