

Elbert county Fair Board Minutes

July 17, 2023

Fellowship Hall

7 pm

Members that were present:

Tammi Schneider
Troy Kelty
Dan Carpenter
Aaron Thieman
Will White
Matt Summers
Trevor Smith
Ben Duke
Vicki Whitman
Rod Kerchal
Dave Rook
Scott Maranville
Sheri Trehal
Garrett Miller
Chris Carnahan

Excused:

Ralph Hinton
Amanda Love

Meeting was called to order – Tammi Schneider @ 7:05 pm

Pledge

Approval of Agenda – Trevor moved to approve agenda; Vicki seconded – motion passed

Approval of Minutes – Trevor moved to approve the minutes from 6/19/2023; Vicki seconded – motion passed

Guests:

1. Fair Grounds report – Troy Lava

A. Still working on:

- Electric Pole by Fair – Will try but no promises
- Turkey annex – will be done by end of week
- Checking electric and plumbing this week – will most likely be done by fair
- Tree trimming – will be done Tuesday and Wednesday this week
- Fence for parking will be done by July 26th
- Barriers will be moved this week as well
- Hog Barn roofing – still working on the bid process

B. Has been completed:

- (11) Hydrant repairs at campers w/ curb stops
- Material between exhibit building and arena
- Handicap signs are in – 15 signs
- Bike racks are done
- Kitchen floors 7 appliances in Exhibit building have been cleaned

- Bathroom floors & showers have been cleaned
 - (6) loads of sand for practice arena and main arena
 - Painting on work nights
- C. Will need a schedule of where and when we need the county's assistance
- D. Said that overflow parking is available at the county road and bridge lot if needed.
Tammi to make an "overflow parking" sign
- E. Will get together with Garrett regarding beef barn wash racks.
- F. Horse stall removal and Fair board work night – Monday 24th @ 5 pm.
2. Extension / 4-H Report – Kali Benson / Misty Jenkins
- A. Superintendent show boxes are ready for pick up
- B. Livestock packets will be assembled Tuesday July 25th. Will take all the help they can get
- C. BBQ Tickets are almost gone and flyers are gone at the extension office
- D. Parade Marshal Plaque is in
- E. Set up on Sunday July 23rd @ 5 pm for open class exhibits. Will set up tables / chairs and have heavy lifting from the wool barn. Anyone that can help, please do
3. Old Business
- Vendor update from Amanda
- A. Merchandise and food vendors are in good shape. Currently have (23) indoor vendors and (12) outdoor food vendors.
- B. Elbert Booster Club set to run the snack shack
4. New Business
- A. Gift for sponsors
- Tammi recommended (2) shell jackets each for Gold and Premier sponsors. She said it would be a total of 14 jackets @\$40 / each. Vicki moved to purchase (14) shell jackets for thank you gifts to Gold and Premier sponsors @ \$40 / each; Sheri seconded and motion passed
 - Still need more sponsorships – Tammi asked everyone to take the sponsor hand outs and try to collect some new sponsors as well as banner sponsors.
- B. Collect during concert – Money donation, food donation (?)
- Should we collect donations with a donation jar or partner w/ county food bank for a food drive to "give back" to our community? It was discussed and unanimous that both things should be done during the concert at the fair. Tammi will coordinate with food bank.
- C. Board decided that the August meeting will be an informal meeting to discuss feedback from the 2023 fair.
- D. Vicki has been contacted regarding a goat that has been hurt and may have to wear a splint during the show. She wanted to make sure we were all aware.
- E. Shavings from Bucco's will be there before the breeding show on Sunday
- F. Gators will be in kind donation from Postestio Bros. Will be delivered on Friday.
- G. Goats will stall in hog barn Sunday for the breeding show so there is no optional tack check in for hogs on this day.
- H. Trevor moved next years fair dates will be July 27th – August 4th; Vicki seconded- motion passed

- I. Tammi announced that the Bellamy Brothers would be scheduled for the 2024 Elbert County Fair and she will book them for August 3rd.
- J. Fair banners still need hung around county, also need to continue to hand out fair books and flyers.

Aaron moved we adjourn the meeting; Scott seconded - Meeting adjourned @ 8:00