

Polk County 4-H Council Minutes

May 16th 2023

6:30 p.m. Fairgrounds

Call to Order – Jake Zahm called the meeting to order.

Roll Call - Present Jeff Ingalls, Torie Jelinek, Kris Udey, Jake Zahm, Joleen Larson, Kim Brehm, Collin Vrbka, Kole Crawford and staff members Tanya Crawford and Colleen Pallas. Absent Stacy Stewart, Josh Hopwood, Tiffany Carlstrom & Eastyn Kropatsch.

Treasurer Report - Kris Udey shared the treasurer report. Jeff Ingalls made the motion to approve the report, Torie Jelinek seconded it. All approved.

Minutes – Kim Brehm made the motion to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2023, meeting, Joleen Larson seconded it. All approved.

Correspondence - No correspondence to share currently.

Staff Reports:

-**Colleen Pallas** – Colleen shared information about upcoming workshops and events throughout the summer in preparation for the 2023 fair. Registrations for the workshops are coming in and will close on May 31.

-**Tanya Crawford** – Tanya about upcoming events she is working on, especially the ESI camp to be held in Stromsburg this year with partnerships with local businesses. Tanya also shared the Pre-entry packet with the council that Stephanie Sunday has been working on. She asked for options on the document to help make it very user friendly for our 4-H Families.

Old Business

-**Polk County Fair – Theme and Hay Bale contest** - The Polk County Fairboard will use the fair theme “Red, White, and Blue – Our Fair is for You” as the theme for the contest. They are still working on an award for the winning bale. (Later determined to be winning bale gets \$50 and all others get \$20. This will be paid out to clubs when premiums are paid.)

- **Heart of 4-H Award** – Joleen Larson made the motion to nominate Dave Burritt as the winner of the Individual Heart of 4-H Award for 2023. Kim Brehm seconded it. All Approved. Kim Brehm made the motion to nominate Vrbka Ag Solutions/Vrbka Family as the Business/Group Heart of 4-H Award for 2023. Kris Udey Seconded it. All Approved.

-**Archery** – Tanya shared that a date has been set for the contest. It will be held on the evening of July 11 at the Polk County Fairgrounds. There has been a good turnout for practices.

- Horse Show

- **timers- look at quotes** – It was decided to purchase the Farm Tech timers for \$824 with tax. The Rafert memorial money will be used and a thank you will be sent to the family.

New Business

- **Approve changes to the bylaws**- If bylaws are to be approved at the next meeting, they need to be sent out by July 14th for the August 14th meeting. If not, they will be sent a month before the October 17th meeting.
- **4-H food Stand**
 - **Hire a Manager** - Angie King will be hired as Food Stand Manager this year for \$500.
 - **Purchase a pop cooler** – a new pop cooler or refrigerator is needed for the Snack Shack. Kim Brehm made a motion to approve up to \$3,000 to purchase one, seconded by Joleen Larson. All approved. It was also noted to ask the Fairboard to purchase a screen door for the garage door to the west to help keep the Snack Shack cooler during fair.
- **4-H Alumni shirt for graduating seniors** - A motion was made by Jeff Ingalls and seconded by Kris Udey to purchase alumni shirts for graduating seniors this year to celebrate their continued participation in 4-H.
- **Fair Schedule** -
 - – **Tuesday night check in - Tanya will bring up the option to Ag Society.** Torie Jelinek made the motion and Joleen Larson seconded it to approve a Tuesday evening check in for fair exhibits from 6-7 p.m. This will be a drop off only time.
- **Other** - Polk County 4-H will donate \$25 to Regional Camp to help pay for the pool for kids to go. Motion made by Jeff Ingalls and seconded by Kim Brehm. All approved.

Next Meeting August 14th

Upcoming dates:

Summer workshops

Pre-Fair Entry deadline- June 28th

Superintendent meeting / Fair Clean up – July 12th.