

Polk County 4-H Council Minutes

Feb 2, 2021

Fairground Exhibit Building

Call to Order – The meeting was called to order by Jeff Ingalls, current president, at 6:35 p.m. Present members included: Rachel Wacker, Tiffany Carlstrom, Courtney Carlstrom, Torie Jelinek, Stacy Stewart, Angie King, Jeff Ingalls, Nicci Kropatch. Staff Present: Tanya Crawford, Colleen Pallas and Jenise Sundberg.

4-H Council Orientation – Maria Walker, 4-H Coordinator, presented the orientation via zoom.

Welcome New Members 2021 – New members welcomed to the 4-H Council for 2021 are: Rachel Wacker and Stacy Stewart from the Shelby Commissioners District, Tiffany Carlstrom, Courtney Carlstrom and Kim Brehm from the Stromsburg/Polk Commissioners District and Creighton Sterup from the Osceola District. We currently have a full council with three adult members and one youth member from each commissioner's district.

Election of Officers 2021 –

- **Chairman** – Jeff Ingalls was nominated by Angie King. Torie Jelinek seconded. Tiffany Carlstrom made the motion to cease nominations, Stacy Stewart seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- **Vice Chairman** – Kevin Peterson was nominated by Nicci Kropatsch. Stacy Stewart seconded. Angie made the motion to cease nominations, Torie Jelinek seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- **Treasurer** – Angie King was nominated by Torie Jelinek, Angie Declined. Torie Jelinek was nominated by Angie King, Stacy Stewart seconded. Angie King made the motion to cease nominations, Tiffany Carlstrom seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
- **Secretary** – Nicci Kropatsch was nominated by Torie Jelinek. Rachel Wacker seconded. Angie King made the motion to cease nominations. All in favor, motion carried.
- **2021 Officers -**
 - **Jeff Ingalls, Chairman;**
 - **Kevin Peterson, Vice Chairman;**
 - **Torie Jelinek, Treasurer;**
 - **Nicci Kropatsch, Secretary.**

Secretary's Report – The secretary's report was shared with members via email prior to the meeting. With no changes, the minutes were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report – Current Balance - \$13,126.18. An itemized statement was also provided of the deposits and checks written since the last meeting on December 1st. Torie Jelinek made the motion to approve the treasurer's report, Tiffany Carlstrom seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Old Business:

1. **Constitution and By-Laws** – A final reading of the proposed Constitution was held. Rachel Wacker made the motion with to approve the Constitution as presented with grammatical errors fixed, Courtney Carlstrom seconded. All in favor, motion carried.
2. **Friend of 4-H Nominations** – Susan Ott Family & Polk County Health Department need to presented, and the decision was made to wait and present these awards at fair.

3. **Memorial Donations Update**

- a. Bob Rafert Memorial has around \$2000 donated to be used to update the speaker system in the beef and swine barns. Colleen will work with the fairboard to get the process started.
- b. Susan Ott Memorial – Stacy Stewart suggested that the memorial be postponed to a later date and to be something for the fair.

New Business:

1. **4-H Council Committee sign up**

- a. Constitution/ By Laws - Jeff Ingalls, Angie King
- b. Fundraising – Stacy Stewart, Rachel Wacker
- c. Scholarship/Budget – Torie Jelinek, Nicci Kropatsch, Tiffany Carlstrom, Courtney Carlstrom

2. **Livestock Leader/Superintendent Meeting** – Torie Jelinek and Jeff Ingalls will attend to represent the 4-H Council.

3. **Workshop structure for 2021** – Workshops will be a mixture of in-person and “Take and Make” kits. Dates and workshops will be planned soon and release in March.

4. **Risk Management policy from State 4-H** – Polk County’s Year for Background Checks

- a. Background Checks for Volunteers - \$5 fee
- b. All adult 4-H Council members must complete the background check and enroll as a volunteer online.

Angie King made the motion to adjourn, Torie Jelinek seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

2021 Meeting Dates – Please mark your calendars

- Monday, April 12;
- Monday, June 7;
- Tuesday, August 17 (Post Fair w/Fairboard);
- Monday, October 4th.

2021 Polk County Fair Dates – July 21-25