

Fair, Recycling and Parks Standing Committee
County Board Room, Richland County Courthouse, and via Webex
July 24, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Committee Members Present: Gary Deaver, Julie Flemming, Josh Elder, Kerry Severson, Lyrica Marks, Richard McKee, Scott Gald, Sandy Campbell, and Administrator Candace Pesch.

1. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order by chair Kerry Severson at 5:00 PM.
2. **Proof of Notification** – Elder gave proof of notification
3. **Agenda Approval** – Motion to approve the agenda by Richard McKee, second by Deaver. All voting aye, motion carried.
4. **Approve minutes from June 26, 2024** – Motion to approve the minutes by Deaver, second by Gald. All voting aye, motion carried.
5. **Public Input** – Severson notified committee that Mike Huffar has requested the Fair Committee to attend the Meat Animal Sales Committee meeting on August 22nd.
6. **Financial Reports** – were included in the meeting packet for review. Wristbands have been purchased. Sponsorships still being received
7. **Hub City Dirt Drags** – Riley Anderson proposed bringing the Hub City Dirt Drags to the Fairgrounds for more room. Agreed to all financial expectations and city ordinances. To discuss further with Elder and Fair coordinator. Motion to approve the event by Deaver, second by McKee. All voting aye, motion carried.
8. **Lactating Dairy Cattle** – Elder informed committee of the current update/risks of hosting Lactating Dairy Cattle during the Avian flu. Campbell spoke to Veterinarian Dr. Christine, and Superintendent Jody Cornell. Both stated it's possible but difficult as all testing must be done 7 days prior to moving in, and could change in weeks to come as more risks are possible. Campbell, Elder, and Marks to discuss and research to make final decision on whether lactating dairy cattle will be hosted or not.
9. **Entertainment** – Marks contacted Ashley Ryan, who will host free meet and greet. Electricity will be sufficient.
10. **General Update** – Peg Kahl will be setting up volunteers for gates. Rockwell Automation reached out to discuss volunteering to help clean up following fair. Emergency plan updates in progress. Cleaning services have been hired. Grandstands have been inspected, most likely will pass, yet need some work done. Lightning detector needs to be purchased.
11. **Future agenda items** – Next meeting will be August 22nd at the Meat Animal Sales Committee.
12. **Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn made by McKee, second by Flemming. All voting aye, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lyrica Marks Fair Coordinator