

AGRICULTURE, EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

January 11, 2022

The meeting of the Agriculture, Extension Education & Fair Committee was called to order by Chair Patti Garro on Tuesday, January 11, 2022 at 9:00 AM in the Green Lake County Board Room, Green Lake County Government Center, 571 County Road A, Green Lake, WI. The meeting was held both in person and via Zoom. Requirements of the open meeting law were certified as being met. The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Present: Patti Garro
Katie Mehn
Ken Bates (Zoom)
Keith Hess

Absent: Bob Dolgner

Other County employees present: Liz Otto, County Clerk; Kathy Ninneman, Fair Coordinator (Zoom); Cathy Schmit, County Administrator; Harley Reabe, County Board Chair

MINUTES

Motion/second (Hess/Mehn) to approve the minutes of December 14, 2021 with no corrections or updates. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

Chris Kalupa, Berlin Library Director, gave a report on the recent activities at the Berlin Library.

FAIR COORDINATOR REPORT

Kathy Ninneman, Fair Coordinator, updated her submitted written report. She is currently attending the Fair convention in Wisconsin Dells.

FAIR: BUDGETARY ADJUSTMENT FOR 2020 FAIR BUDGET – discussion/approval

Katie Mehn requested clarification on the amount which has changed from the requested amount. County Administrator Cathy Schmit stated this is due to an adjustment for health insurance that year. Discussion held. Committee will review the resolution drafted by Corporation Counsel Dawn Klockow and discuss and/or approve at the February meeting.

FAIR: BUDGETARY ADJUSTMENT FOR 2022 FAIR MAINTENANCE BUDGET – discussion/approval

Discussion held regarding the fair maintenance contract for 2022 which exceeds the amount budgeted. County Administrator Cathy Schmit stated she will not sign the contract due to the amount exceeded and receiving only one bid. *Motion/second (Hess/Bates)* to put the service out for bid. Ayes – Hess, Bates; Nays – Garro, Mehn. Motion failed. Current provider stated he lost approximately \$8,000 in 2021 for maintenance services. A budget adjustment will be drafted and presented to the committee in February for action.

FAIR: HIGHWAY GROUND/FAIRGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

Chair Garro stated she received complaints regarding the lack of handicapped accessible bathrooms. Kathy Ninneman will check into rental units for the fair in 2022.

FAIR: CONTRACTS

Motion/second (Hess/Mehn) to approve contracts for Road Trip, Zac Matthews Band, and Dawn MacFall. Motion carried with no negative vote.

FAIR: PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

UW-EXTENSION STAFF REPORTS

- **Adam Hady, Area 14 Interim Extension Director** – Hady introduced Pat Wagner, the new Area 14 Extension Director who start on 01/24/2022. Wagner introduced herself via Zoom. Hady also updated the committee on recent activities.
- **Katie Gellings, Health & Well Being Educator** – Gellings provided updates and more information from her submitted report.
- **Ben Jenkins, Agriculture Educator** - Absent
- **Morgan Martinez, 4-H Program Educator** – Martinez provided updates and more information from her submitted report.

APPROVAL OF EDUCATOR OUT OF COUNTY DAYS – discussion/approval

Motion/second (Hess/Mehn) to approve all out of county requests. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

Future Meeting Date: February 8, 2022

Future Agenda items for action & discussion:

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Garro adjourned the meeting at 9:58 AM.

Submitted by,

Liz Otto
County Clerk