

AGRICULTURE/EXTENSION EDUCATION & FAIR COMMITTEE

April 12, 2022

The meeting of the Green Lake County Agriculture, Extension Education and Fair Committee was called to order by Chair Garro, on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 9:03 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. Roll call taken by Garro.

Present: Patti Garro, Chair
Katie Mehn, Vice Chair
Keith Hess
Ken Bates

Absent: Bob Dolgner

Staff Present: Pat Wagner, Area 14 Extension Director (Zoom)
Katie Gellings (Zoom at JCEP)
Ben Jenkins
Morgan Martinez (Zoom at JCEP)
Kathy Ninneman

Also Present: Laura Skalitzky, Princeton Public Library Director; Zach Knoke, Earthworks Land Services; Dawn Klockow, Corporation Counsel; Cathy Schmit, County Administrator (Zoom); Tony Daley, reporter, Berlin Journal Newspapers (Zoom) and Scott Mundro, editor, Berlin Journal Newspapers, (Zoom).

MINUTES

Motion/second (Hess/Mehn) to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2022 meeting with no corrections or updates. Motion carried with no negative vote.

Chair Garro moved agenda item #14 after item #5 since Corporation Counsel, Dawn Klockow needed to leave to attend another meeting.

FAIR: FERMENTED MALT BEVERAGE CONCESSION AGREEMENT

Corporation Counsel Klockow reported she drafted this agreement with the assistance of Milwaukee County. She suggested to the Committee to give her direction especially for Exhibit A, B or C. Much discussion was held. Fair Coordinator, Kathy Ninneman, will contact surrounding county fair boards for insight on their malt beverage operations and will meet with Klockow regarding the highlighted areas of the drafted agreement.

Motion/second (Bates/Mehn) to bring the Concession Agreement for Malt Beverages to the next Committee meeting in May. Motion carried with no negative vote.

COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICES REPORT

The submitted monthly reports are in the committee packet. Laura Skalitzky was present and gave a verbal report.

UW-EXTENSION STAFF REPORTS

- **Pat Wagner, Area 14 Extension Director** – Wagner has been busy with several different hiring processes, along with budget processes, County Committees and the GL County UWEX staff will begin their Civil Rights tasks.
- **Katie Gellings, Human Development & Relationships Educator** – Gellings provided updates and more information from her submitted report.

- **Ben Jenkins, Agriculture Educator** – Jenkins provided updates along with mention of him resigning as of April 30. He also provided his submitted report. Supervisor Bates expressed his concern of having the most active watershed in the state during the vacancy of this position after Jenkins departs.
- **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.

FAIR COORDINATOR REPORT

Kathy Ninneman, Fair Coordinator, provided updates along with her submitted written report.

REQUEST FOR LINE ITEM TRANSFER – discussion/approval

Kathy Ninneman, Fair Coordinator, reported there are not funds budgeted specifically to attend the IAFE Zone 4 Meeting, since it isn't held in Wisconsin each year. She requested a line transfer within the budget for approval.

Motion/second (Hess/Mehn) to approve the line transfer within the budget. Motion carried with no negative vote.

FAIR COORDINATOR SPRING DISTRICT 4 MEETING ATTENDANCE– discussion/approval

Motion/second (Bates/Mehn) to approve Kathy Ninneman's attendance at the Spring District 4 Meeting which was held at the State Fair Park in Milwaukee, April 5. Motion carried with no negative vote.

RESOLUTION: RELATING TO USE OF GENERAL FUND RESERVE FUNDS FOR HIGHWAY PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS RELATED TO COUNTY JR. FREE FAIR – discussion/approval

Discussion was had regarding the wording of this resolution. Supervisor Bates would like to receive a final copy of this resolution and bring to the Committee meeting in May.

FAIR MAINTENANCE BID APPROVAL

Fair Coordinator, Kathy Ninneman, reported that one bid was received in the office. On March 31 at 9 am, Chair Garro and Supervisor Bates, along with Ninneman opened the bid. It was from Earthworks Land Services for a cap of \$35,000.

Motion/second (Mehn/Hess) to approve the bid. Motion carried with no negative vote.

HIGHWAY GROUND / FAIRGROUND IMPROVEMENTS

Discussion was regarding the track area for parking especially when there is rain. Will continue to work on improving this area.

FAIR CONTRACTS

- Face Painting & DJ by Dala: \$1,550.00
- Clyde & The Geezer: \$275.00
- Fox of the River Voyageur Canoe Exhibit: \$200.00
- Best Practice Band (For 2023 Fair): \$2,150.00

Motion/second (Hess/Mehn) to approve the above contracts. Motion carried with no negative vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 minute limit)

None.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

- Future Meeting Date: May 10, 2022
- Future Agenda items for action & discussion: If anyone has an agenda item, please contact Kathy Ninneman.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Garro adjourned the meeting at 10:21 a.m.

*Submitted by,
Kathy Ninneman, Secretary*