Rock County Ag Society

January 9, 2024

President Ogier **called the meeting to order** @ 6:34 pm at the Rock County Library meeting room. Attention given to Nebraska Open Meetings Act. Roll call was taken and recorded in the secretary’s book. Director’s present were: Kepler, Kroll, Lackaff, Morgan, Sawyer, Ammon, Albrecht, Sybrant, and Ogier. Guests present were Monty and Angie Painter.

December 2023 minutes were read and a motion by Ammon to approve the previous minutes was then seconded by Sawyer. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report- $24, 303.28 in choice checking, $6,140.18 in capital improvements account. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Sawyer and seconded by Kroll. Motion carried.

Kroll presented a bill of $125.00 for NAFM dues and $86 for the registration fee for Lackaff and Ogier to attend the fair conference in Kearney. A motion was made by Ammon and seconded by Sawyer to reimburse Kroll for $211. A roll call vote was taken, all yay no nays. Motion carried.

Kepler noted that a new bank card needed to be signed due to the change in Treasurer. A motion by Lackaff was made to put John Morgan, Ginny Kepler, and JW Ogier on the signature card and seconded by Sawyer. Motion carried.

Lackaff also noted that a need for a new registered agent was needed since Hall, who was currently the new registered agent, was no longer on the board. A motion was made by Sawyer and seconded by Kroll that the new registered agent will be JW Ogier. Motion carried.

Old Business

* **Bids for digging out ponds-** Topic has been tabled until we hear back from contractors.
* **Talking to the State of Nebraska about drainage**.- We haven’t heard back from the State of Nebraska yet. Discussion has been tabled until we hear back from them.
* **Discussion about the lawn mower**. JW had gotten another bid and the price was around $15,000. Discussion about buying a new lawn mower has been tabled for now.
* **Changing the codes to the buildings.** Jw said when it gets warmer out he will get out there and get the codes changed on the buildings.
* **A person to be the new sponsorship collector?** We will brainstorm and try to figure out a new sponsorship collector.
* **Setting up a meeting with the County Commissioners to discuss ownership of fairgrounds.** Will get a meeting set up after we talk with the state fair attorney after the fair conference.

New Business

* Monty and Angie Painter attended the meeting to talk about the High School Rodeo. Dates have officially been set for the 2024 rodeo for August 10th and 11th. They also presented last year's income and expense sheet. The board agreed to keep communications open if Monty or Angie need anything or vice versa.
* A motion was made by Ammon and seconded by Kepler to have the 2024 fair theme: “County Fans and Cattle Brands”. Motion carried.
* Discussion about changing the fees of renting out the buildings, people carriers, boat and camper storage, and the laser guns was discussed. A motion by Sawyer to raise the people carriers rental amount to $75, the storage for boats and campers to $5.00 per day, the laser tag guns to remain at $300 deposit for use, and to keep the building rental to just a donation was made and seconded by Albrecht. Motion carried.
* An idea for putting brands on the Munk building was discussed. Ag Society will furnish the boards and a $25.00 fee to have your brand displayed on the board will go for further fair needs. More discussion will be had at our next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:12 pm by President Ogier.

Next Meeting:

February 6, 2024 @ 7 pm.