

## **Marias Fair Meeting Minutes for February 1<sup>st</sup> 2023**

The Marias Fair Board met at 6:30pm at the Toole County Ambulance Barn

### **PRESENT AT THIS MEETING:**

Rachel Brown (President)

Blaine Suta (Vice President)

Cody Rohlf (Fair Board)

Janet Hawks (Fair Board)

Andy VanHaur (Fair Board)

Anna Sackerson-Hintz (Fair Board Manager)

Lena Tronson (Vendor/Fair Board)

Miranda Dupree (Fair Board)

Shiloh Neal (Fair Board)

Terry Tomscheck (Commissioner)

Erin Fenger (Guest)

Jeremiah Tee (Guest)

Jamie Postma (Guest)

Breauna Erickson (Guest)

Lisa Terry (Glacier CO extension)

Lindsey Habets (Website/Social Media)

Kim Woodring (TC Extension)

Terry Kimmet (Commissioner)

**The meeting was called to order at 6:33pm by Fair President Rachel Brown. Andy made a motion to approve January Meeting minutes, Janet seconded and they were approved by the board.**

**Public comment:** Breana has raised all of her money for the sidewalk project at the fair grounds and would like to get started ASAP. Timeline provided was After March 25<sup>th</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> stage is sidewalks 2<sup>nd</sup> stage is to start on cement pads.

Melissa Habets will be having annual sale in beef barn March 25<sup>th</sup>. Price of rental is \$100.00

Jamie with Levitt said that they found an insurance for the county that will allow motorsports events once again at the fairgrounds. All events will be required to provide their own insurance equivalent to our 2 million liability policy. The board members are open to motorsport even for Sunday week of fair in addition to planning other motorsport events throughout the year.

**Treasurers Report:** Anna reported bank balances in both Premium and Rodeo accounts as well as the Budget Vs Expenditure report and the Detail report for expenditures. Cody motioned to approve; Andy seconded being passed by the board.

**Old Business:** Motorsports tabled until march meeting

**New Business:** Whitford Rodeo contacted the Fair board about hosting high school rodeo and were informed by Andy that we will no longer working with them this year and that the event will be hosted by Conrad schools as they contacted us first.

Lindsey Habets was present to represent her contract and what is expected of her contract. Needs to know what the fair board had in mind for fair along with schedule of events to post online. She stated she will bring contract to next meeting to go over.

**Commissioner Report:** Chamber of Commerce will be hosting the Dempsey Vs. Gibbons Event on July 4<sup>th</sup> at the fairgrounds followed by fireworks. There will be a parade/Band/Car show on main and northern transit will be shuttling from downtown to the fairgrounds.

Terry will put out a bid for Beer garden and Food booth ASAP as well as post Fair Board Manager position as available.

**4H Report:** Lisa with Glacier Co extension introduced herself. The agents group met and were interested in getting permanent internet down at the fairgrounds. In the past they have used

**4H Report Continued:** hot spots that didn't work very well and caused mistakes and added frustration. Terry is looking into wireless internet that would go from the courthouse to the fairgrounds to offer a solution and hopefully have it up and running by fair.

**Fair Manager Report:** Anna put in her two week notice and will be resigning from the fair board as of February 15<sup>th</sup> but has agreed to help make a operations procedure manual prior to the next meeting and help if asked. Janet motioned to remove Anna Hintz and add Lena Tronson to the Premium and Rodeo bank accounts, Miranda seconded and motion was approved by the board.

**2023 Fair/Rodeo:** Shiloh found a Country band named Fast forward for Friday \$2k, and are looking into a artist named John King and his band.

Andy spoke with Michelle at Midway Amusements and she will follow up with the possibility of bringing a few rides to the fair.

**2023 Fair schedule:**

Thursday- Indian Relays 7pm

Friday- Rodeo 6pm followed by champion relay races top 6 will race

Saturday- Rodeo 7pm

Sunday- Open to motorsports

**Cody motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:28 pm, Andy seconded and meeting was adjourned.**

**Next meeting will be held on March 1<sup>st</sup> 2023 at 6:30pm at the Toole County Ambulance Barn.**

Respectively,

Anna Hintz