

Marias Fair Board Meeting Minutes – March 4, 2020

Marias Fair Board met on March 4th, 2020 at Shelby Fire Hall for their regular meeting. Present at the meeting: Todd Howell (President) Lynda Fretheim (Vice president) Janet Hawks, Linnet Doane, Andy Van Haur, Cody Rohlf, Blaine Suta, Chris Vermulm, Mark Cassel, (Board Members) Ramona Kinyon (Marias Fair Manager) Don Hartwell (Toole County Commissioner) Dale Swifter (Pondera County Commissioner) Adriane Good (Pondera Extension) Kim Wooding (Toole County Extension) Jesse Rohlf (Demo Derby) Zach, Kelly (Dynamic Motor Sports)

Meeting was called to order by President Todd Howell at 6:04 P.M with Election of officers. Lynda Nominated Andy Van Haur for President, Linnet seconded. Being no other Nominations, all voted aye. Linnet Nominated Lynda Fretheim for Vice President, Janet seconded. Being no other Nominations all voted aye.

Andy took over the running of the meeting from the previous President Todd Howell. Linnet moved and Janet seconded to approve the February meeting minutes with the following corrections: spelling of Cody Rohlf and Hadley Barbie has applied for but not yet heard if she will receive a \$500. Grant to upgrade the dog arena. Minutes approved.

Cody moved and Linnet seconded to continue with the printing of the Premium books all voted aye Ramona will let JJ know. Ramona gave the treasurers report account balances were the same as February PRCA has not yet cashed the check that was sent to them for dues. Kim reported from 4-H up coming events Sunday March 22nd the Ag Committee will have a dog showmanship clinic in the dog arena it will be held in the 4-H exhibit building, if there is inclement weather. Livestock Judging, May 3rd across the border, Pig sale March 28th old sale barn. Mark made a motion and Blaine seconded to charge Melissa Habets \$150. For use of the barn and bathrooms or \$100. If she only was going to use the barn, all voted aye motion passed Ramona will contact her and get her a key. Don reported from museum board that they put in for a grant, but they may not get it. They still want to paint the building, they are going to get 4-H kids to paint it, Andy would be able to bring a pressure washer. Ramona stated she was contacted by Loretta Carter for attendance numbers during fair exhibits in the school building and any other information that would help with the writing of the grant. Andy reported on the removal of used wood chips from over at the Seewald Barn, and by the horse barns, he has been in contact with Kory Habets he may not be able to get this done till June however he is still will to move them and spread them on the race track, in trade for sponsorship and would like to be mentioned sometime during the 4-H sale he would be will to keep them cleaned out every year. Julia Arnold joined the meeting she reported that they would like to use their own computers this year and would need access to the fair intent. She also reported that Julia Defoe will help this year however this will be the last year she will be able to help. If anyone knows someone will to help with open class Julia Arnold would like them to contact her.

Ramona reported she has sent invoices to Glacier, Pondera and Liberty counties for fair Contributions she should receive the money in the next couple weeks and will take it to the commissioners, Sara Starkey had contacted her about a hand washing station for fair she is the specialist for the state department of livestock this could be rented or purchased. Crissy Bauman contacted her about brew fest they would like to hold it May 16th High school Rodeo is set up for May 9-10 2020 per Ramona's conversation with Sara Murphy however Rick Whitford Livestock has not yet paid for 2019 use of the fair

grounds. Ramona will contact Sara and let her know he needs to pay 2019 \$500. And \$500. For 2020 before the Rodeo. Hailey Rae contacted Ramona she is going to be the Photographer for 4-H livestock and would like take pictures at the PRCA Rodeo she told Ramona she qualifies to take pictures at PRCA rodeos and has her permit. Mark Cassel stated he knows her and verified she does have her permit to take photos at a PRCA event. Amanda Haney from Slice of Montana Blaine County Journal contacted Ramona to see if we would like to place an ad in the magazine again this year, Ramona will contact her to see if they would allow us to use ad in other publications.

Zach and Kelly from Dynamic motor sports in Great Falls came to discuss options to the Demo Derby they ran the Derby's in Great Falls and also the one during Havre Fair there was much discussion on having them run our Demo Derby Ramona will get them more info on our Derby numbers the last few years. Ramona will contact Merle Ralph to see if he can come to the next fair board meeting and help with Beer Garden by Law changes. Being know other business Blaine moved and Cody seconded to adjourn the meeting next meeting is scheduled for April 1st meeting adjourned

Ramona Kinyon Marias Fair Manager