

Marias Fair Board Meeting Minutes - May 6, 2020

Marias Fair Board met at the Shelby Fire Hall May 6th, 2020 for their regular monthly meeting. Due to Covid-19 restrictions on meetings needing to be under 10 physically present the meeting was attended by fair board members, county extension and others via zoom and a live feed through our Face Book page. Thank you, Lindsey Habets, for setting this up and running it throughout the meeting.

Present at the meeting: President (Andy Van Haur) Board members: (Linnet Doane, Cody Rohlf, and Blaine Suta). Marias Fair Manager (Ramona Kinyon) County Health nurse: (Blair Tomscheck) Toole County Commissioner (Don Hartwell) Board members present via zoom: Chris Vermulm, Janet Hawks, Lynda Fretheim. Absent members: Todd Howell and Mark Cassel. 4-H Agents via zoom: Adriane Good, Wendy Wedum (Pondera) Kim Woodring, Alice Burchak (Toole) Jesse Fulbright, (Liberty) Kari Lewis (Glacier) Julie Gagon (Liberty Secretary) Becky (Pondera Secretary) Ron Anderson (Sanitarian) Travis Clark (Leavitt Group)

Marias Fair Board met at 6:00 P.M Shelby Fire meeting called to order by President Andy Van Haur Linnet moved and Cody seconded to approve the March meeting minutes all voted aye via zoom. Ramona went through the Treasurers report. Ramona reported that High School Rodeo is canceled per social distancing guidelines by the Governors office. Blair Tomscheck reported they had contacted her current limitations are 10 people or less in one place Phase 2 is 50 or less and we are at this point in phase one she would like to wait until the June 3rd meeting to make any decisions on Fair contingent on what phase we are in. It would be her recommendation that the state be in phase 3 of the Governors plan to hold Marias Fair this year. She stated phase 3 would be life as we know it with no restrictions on group numbers. She also stated that although Toole County had a bad break out they have not had any new cases since April 16th

Kim reported from 4-H: a lot of there events are moving to online they will still be holding the cross the board classic and it will be online. They must follow guidelines sent out by the Extension service in Bozeman and 4-H must follow all the Governors guidelines. They are looking into a virtual show and sale for livestock. Andy and Janet both brought up some options that other events have done as far as cattle shows and sales. Adriane stated she has been watching some that Canada has done. All Agents agreed that they were going to do something, even if everything had to be virtual. Alice reported they would need to be in phase 3 for 4-H to have a food booth and even then it may not be possible as food needs to be ordered and they need to do work scheduling plus the cost of food has increased to 1/3 to half more than last year. Andy stated that FFA may want to try and have a bingo booth this year if we are able to have Fair.

Don Hartwell reported that the commissioners have been working with the Toole County Health department and Blair Tomscheck since March 16th to make sure all guidelines are followed. He reported that Larry Munson had or was going to have someone look at the school building roof and was planning on getting paint for the building. Andy ask if the fairgrounds still high electric use. Don said yes. Todd was going to check into this with MRE Andy will follow up.

Cody reported on Demo Derby rules and was also wondering if they can have 16-year-old drivers since we are contracting an individual company to handle the Derby. Cody moved and Blaine seconded that Kelly and Electric City Demo Derby write and handle the rules all voted aye. Andy spoke to Tony about

the Indian relay races they would still like to put them on. He also contacted Nik Crawford Band for a Saturday night performance.

Open class JJ reported that her and Ramona had talked and doing the premium books was too expensive and there would not be enough time to get everything ready so it will all need to be done via website. She will need ticket prices, fair event line up, and band info to be on the site. Ramona will bring proposal to the next meeting.

Ramona reported that she has spoke to Video score board (Shawn) soundman (Tom) Rodeo Contractor (John Smith) Inflatables (Cory) some of the food and mercantile vendors and they are all on board with wait till June 3rd meeting to see if we are still able to move forward with Marias Fair this year. Being no other business Blaine Moved and Linnet seconded to adjourn the meeting all voted aye Meeting Adjourned

Ramona Kinyon

Marias Fair Manager