

Jasper County Agricultural Society
Jasper County Fair
Extension Office - Newton

The regular meeting of the Jasper County Fair Board was called to order on Monday, November 25th 2024 at 7:00 pm by President Jim Soppe with 15 directors and 2 guests present.

<input type="checkbox"/> Jake Clymer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jerry Elscott	<input type="checkbox"/> Dan Engle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Morgan DeHaai
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kendra Halferty	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reed Heimstra	<input type="checkbox"/> Josh Fosenburg	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Karla Jordan
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chauncy Wiggins-Kain	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ed Machin	<input type="checkbox"/> Bob Maher	<input type="checkbox"/> Jerod DeVries
<input type="checkbox"/> Kevin Moorman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mindy Kerwin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kenny Schlosser	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wayne Saak
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jim Soppe	<input type="checkbox"/> Chelsey Van Genderen	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Logan Zaabel	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lance Moorman
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Shaun Vander Werdt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roger Zaabel		

Motion made by Wayne S 2nd by Shaun VW to approve the Secretary Report – motion carried

Motion made by Jerry E 2nd by logan Z to approve the Treasurer Report – motion carried

Our 2024 state Convention auction items included a goat planter donated by Jake C, and a print from Dalton’s Toys.

Motion made by Jerry E 2nd by Roger Z to approve 2025 Budget - motion carried

Kendra gave an update on the brick orders - 26 bricks have been ordered as of 11/25/24, deadline for orders is 12/31/24

2025 committee assignments were shared

Motion made by Roger Z 2nd by Logan Z to award Tim Hutchins, Ryan Van Maaren, Eric Machin, Shawn Swank, and Brad Stier as 2025 Friends of the Fair - motion carried

Motion made by Kendra H 2nd by Jerry E to have Doug Wobekain as 2025 Parade Marshall - motion carried

Karla offered to reach out to Travis Pease about snow removal for the upcoming winter.

The following updates/discussions were had regarding the Geisler Penquite Youth Learning Center:

- A draft of the building plans were available for discussion, Jerry E provided summary of materials and layout of the building
- Timeline is still set to have the building up by fair.
- Ed shared the estimate for these plans: \$759,728.00
 - Not including cost of cabinets, appliances, tables/chairs, or PA system
- It was noted we need to have insurance by the time construction begins
- Kendra talked to the bank about options for covering costs not covered by GPF grant. Options were opening a line of credit or a 10 year loan.
- Teardown date TBD - depends on storage-out date for vendor building
 - Shaun VW mentioned replacing double doors on 4H building with overhead doors so building can be used as storage space.
 - Need to relocate Martia's fridge/freezer that are currently stored in vendor building
- Trees on the east side of the vendor building to be relocated before winter. The final relocation decisions left to Buildings & Grounds Committee.
- **Motion** made by Roger Z 2nd by Ed M to approve drafted plans and use line of credit option as a safety net if needed. - motion carried

There will be NO meeting in December.

January meeting will be held at the Extension Office in Newton - January 27th at 7:00pm

Motion to adjourn was made by Jerry E & 2nd by Mindy K – motion carried to adjourn the meeting @ 7:58pm

Submitted by
Morgan DeHaai
Fairboard Secretary