

Three Forks Rodeo Board Meeting

May 6, 2024 @ The Cook Shack

Casey Elmore called the meeting to order at 5:37pm.

Present were Casey Elmore, Mike Lane, Gene Townsend, Ryan Hamilton, Ryan Pestel & Ann Price. Board member Adam Miller, Christina Kamps (Marketing Director) and Crystal Turner (Executive Secretary) were excused. Ann Price took minutes.

Guests: Leilani Ellis & Lori Wilson

National Anthem auditions by Leilani Ellis & Lori Wilson. The Board would like Leilani Ellis to sing on Friday and Lori & Kate Wilson to sing on Saturday. No mention of payment for singing. Ann will let them know the schedule.

Financials – Casey reported the financials were about the same as last month. The CD needs renewed. We will discuss it at the June board meeting.

Someone reported on behalf of Adam Miller that Kelly Smith (City Treasurer) alerted him there is just \$27,699 cash on hand. The rest is in CDs.

Financials & Approval of Minutes - Gene Townsend motioned to approve the financials and the minutes of April. Ryan Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

HS Rodeo review:

Gates – No problems

Cook shack – Good

Sound System – Still needs work. If donated parts do not work, we should buy a new system with 2 outdoor speakers and permanently mount them.

Hire the Trick Riders Audrey Snellman & Olivia Leininger. \$800/rider.

Ryan Hamilton motioned to recommend the contracts. Mike Lane seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion regarding giving the Arena Manager a raise in the next fiscal year. Crystal tracked all hours worked for the past 12 months, and it equates to \$32/hour. Increase this monthly pay to the equivalent of \$55/hour, or \$1,000 more per year take home. The TF Rodeo

Board will continue to pay the increase in taxes. Gene Townsend motioned to approve. Ryan Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ATM Guys – Adam usually covers this contact for ATM company we used last year. Pay \$500.00 for service. Ryan Hamilton motioned to approve. Gene Townsend seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

NW Energy - Casey to meet with NW Energy on Wednesday, May 8th. Get 811 'Call before you dig'. Need to put two 6x6 posts in the ground. Watch for fiber optics.

Signs – Slow down and event parking signs. This is a state road issue. Not opposed to paying for signs ordered by the City of Three Forks.

Water troughs – Mike Lane purchased 2 water troughs to replace broken troughs. Needs to move them for the Chamber dinner.

Shirts – We should have extra, long sleeve shirts somewhere. Christina Kamps will need to print volunteer t-shirts.

Gift Cards - Need to get gift cards from Murdoch's. Last year we had 100. This year we need 125 \$25 cards. TF Rodeo paid \$20 per card and Murdoch's paid \$5.00 per card last year. Ann Price will look into this.

Beer orders – Ryan Pestel asked if we had a list of what was ordered last year from Cardinal Distributing and Lehrkinds Distributing.

Sand - Need 2-3 loads of sand. Ryan Hamilton said we need to move some sand from three bucking chutes.

Water Line - Casey reported we need to run water to the second beer garden in the future. He will talk with Steve Johnston (City Public Works) to get that on his list of action items for next fall.

Vendors - Still looking for food vendors.

Air Conditioner - A/C unit in stock at Three Forks Ace Hardware and ready for pick up.

Beef - Gene said we are good on beef for the July Rodeo. One more is coming.

Next meeting – June 3, 2024 at the Rodeo Cook Shack 5:30 pm

Ryan Hamilton moved to adjourn. Mike Lane seconded. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.