

Horse Committee Minutes

The Teton County 4-H Horse Committee met August 25, 2011 at 6:00pm at the Teton County Sheriff's Office. Those in attendance were Barb Bouma, Danelle and Chottie Crary, and Extension Agent Mark Major.

Barb called the meeting to order.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.

The treasurer's report shows income of \$15 from one member attending the Shelby Beck clinic. Expenses are \$150 for the fair judge and \$60 for a gas card for Shelby, leaving a balance of \$446.15.

OLD BUSINESS:

Suggestions and comments for the 4-H horse show were reviewed.

NEW BUSINESS:

Flyers regarding the horse projects will go out with the 4-H registration materials.

Helmet waivers need to be signed each year.

Horse leaders need to be aware if the waivers have been signed. The waivers will be available at 4-H horse events.

There is a Utah Working Ranch Horse project taking place in Conrad under the direction of the Pondera County 4-H horse program. Mark will put information regarding this project in the newsletter and to horse members.

Changing the date of the 4-H horse show was discussed. The current schedule has the show at a very early date for the horse members to properly prepare their horse projects. Some possibilities would be to join another county's horse show, have the Teton County show at a later date in the summer, or hold the Teton County show along with an open show. The downfall is the participation of horse members in the Round Robin event. Chottie moved to change the date of the Teton County 4-H horse show to a date later in the summer, after the fair. Danelle seconded. Motion passed. This will be taken before the Council at the September 8 4-H Council meeting.

Livestock Committee Minutes

The Teton County 4-H Livestock Committee met August 25, 2011 at 7pm at the Teton County Sheriff's Office. Those in attendance were Barb Bouma, Danelle and Chottie Crary, Nikki Ley, Terry Stephens, and Extension Agent Mark Major. The meeting was called to order by President Nikki Ley.

Terry moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Chottie seconded. Motion passed.

Terry gave the treasurer's report. Expenses were \$3635.51 and were all fair related. The largest expense item was the wood chips (\$761.25). Income was \$571.61 from late fees, Old Goat Showmanship and Kiss A Pig contest. Barb moved that the receipts in the amount of \$361.61 from the Kiss A Pig contest and the Old Goat Showmanship be donated to Taylor's Challenge. Terry seconded. Motion passed.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS:

Mark reported that the wash rack expansion stall is complete but there is no additional water. More discussion will follow.

OLD BUSINESS:

Improvements for 2012 should include additional water to the wash rack area.

Judges for 2012 were discussed. Travis Standley is committed to be the judge for 2012.

Moving the date of the horse show portion of the 4-H fair was presented. If the horse show does move to a different date, it was suggested that the set up for the fair take place Tuesday night and interview judging take place Wednesday night.

Recommendations for the Carcass Event for next year were discussed. An increased incentive would be to increase the monetary awards for the carcass contest. It may be possible to approach the Sheep Expo, Wool Pool, Dr. Key, and the Pork Board for award donations. Another suggestion for

the Carcass Event was to move it to a later time in the evening, such as 7:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

The current banners that are available for members to use to take photographs at the fair are rather worn. Mark presented some new possibilities. Terry moved to order 2 new banners, one for grand champion and one for reserve champion. Barb seconded. Motion passed.

Offering Round Robin to the pre-junior reserve champions was discussed. Chottie moved to include both grand and reserve pre-junior in the Round Robin showmanship contest. Terry seconded. Motion passed. The possibility of including other species will be discussed at the next meeting.

The pig waterers need repairs. 4 Y's need to be custom built to replace broken ones. Mark will replace the clear hose with mesh hose at the pig barn this fall. Any 10th year 4-H swine members will be asked to help with this project.

In evaluating the fair, charges for the trucking of the live animals and the carcasses needs discussed. Mark will evaluate the trucking charges with Brad Hodgskiss. The other item for discussion involves the rabbit project.

The Livestock Sale was very successful. Average prices in all species was up from the previous year. (Steers \$2.67, Lambs \$4.65, Pigs \$3.54)

The ultrasound demonstration was discussed. There was a disappointing turnout at the fair during this event. This demonstration could possibly be held at the Carcass Event. This was tabled until the next meeting.

Animal Insurance was brought up. Lyle Hodgskiss has exhibited some concern. Mark will have a discussion with Lyle and invite him to the next meeting.

Terry will talk to Walco about donating eartags.

Chottie moved to adjourn. Danelle seconded.

The next meeting will be October 27, 2011 at 7pm at the Teton County Sheriff's Office.