

Tripp Co. 4-H Livestock/Community Facility Committee – meeting notes

January 8, 2019 – 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room at the Tripp Co. Courthouse

Those in attendance were: Committee members: Dawn Covey, Kim DeMers, Rhonda Gilchrist, Scott Hollenbeck, Laura Kahler, Audie Larson, Roger Myers, Bonnie Rutten, Jeremy Schroeder, Brittany Shelbourn, Dean Watzel, Amanda Willuweit

Other present: Tripp County Fairboard members - Debbie Engel, Barb Watzel, and Brad Watzel, Barb Watzel; Tripp County Commissioner - Mike Novotny

- Committee member in attendance were given the final draft of the Committee Member Agreement and all were asked to sign an agreement.
- Dawn Covey reported that she visited with Brandy Biggins who is in charge of the Boys Scouts in Winner and she informed her that according to State Boy Scout Leaders 4-H can do whatever they want with the Eagle Scout project that was built on the 4-H grounds and that there are no requirements for obtaining permission from anyone. Dawn also indicated that she visited with Brandon Winter who built the project and he said that he didn't have a problem with relocating it and that if he is able, he would assist with this.
- Discussion was held on various ways to recognize sponsorship levels. It was decided that the levels would be designated by different "clovers" and that this would be put on display on some wall either in the 4-H center or the new building. These are the levels that were approved:

<b>SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES</b>	
	<b>GREEN &amp; WHITE LEVEL:</b> <u>\$250-\$999</u>
	<b>BRONZE LEVEL:</b> <u>\$1,000-\$4,999</u>
	<b>SILVER LEVEL:</b> <u>\$5,000—\$9,999</u>
	<b>GOLD LEVEL:</b> <u>\$10,000 and over</u>

- We also went over a proposed brochure to be used as a mailing and to take to possible sponsors. Changes were suggested and changes will be made as indicated. Dawn Covey, Sherri Mayes, and Bonnie Rutten will work on this.

- Amanda Willuweit once again indicated that she would be working on a FB page for and asked Dawn Covey to send any pictures she has that could be used.
- Amanda Willuwiet and Barb Watzel will also be working on some type of Thermometer or display to indicate our goal and where we are at on our goal.
- Grant Opportunities:
  - Bonnie Rutten brought a list a various grant that she found on line that we may qualify. We will look at these as soon as possible. Grant sub committee includes; Wyatt DeJong, Dawn Covey, Bonnie Rutten, Amanda Willuweit, Scott Hollenbeck, and Audie Larson.
  - Dawn Covey did apply for a \$10,000 Farm Credit Services grant but has not heard anything on this yet.
- Fundraiser Ideas –
  - Many ideas were discussed such as raffles, sale of knives, roll over auctions, etc.
  - At this time, it was decided that we will hold a raffle for a JD Gator. We plan to sell only 500 tickets at \$100 each. Dean Watzel will talk to Barry Grossenburg to see if we can get a deal on one and possibly not have to pay for it until the raffle is complete. A date for the raffle drawing has not been set at this point in time but will be decided at our next meeting. We will do the drawing on FB Live.
  - We will have a booth at the Bullnanza on Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>. Bonnie Rutten and Dawn Covey agreed to spearhead this project. At the booth we will have information about the building plan, kick off the sale of raffle tickets for the Gator, and possible sell some Rada Cutlery.
- There will be a meeting on Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 p.m. with Summit Contracting of Platte, SD to try to get a closer estimate on the building cost. All are welcome to attend this meeting. This meeting will be held at the Tripp Co. 4-H Office.
- Discussion was held on the need for a 501(c)(3). The Tripp Co. 4-H Leaders is a non-profit but not a 501(c)(3). It was explained that the Fairboard is not eligible for a 501(c)(3) because it is a County Committee and not a separate entity. We will be meeting with a tax consultant and an attorney to figure out the best and most economical way to accomplish this task.
- Our next meeting was set for Tuesday, January 22, 2019 starting at 6:00 p.m. in the meeting room at the courthouse. At this meeting we final all the details for the Gator raffle and discuss the booth at Bullnanza.

The meeting was adjourned a 7:30 p.m.