

Verde Valley Fair Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes March 21, 2023
5:30 p.m. - Regular meeting

In attendance: President Beth Canedy, Vice President Steve Drake, Treasurer Lewis Rice arrived at 5:52 pm, Secretary Ginny Rench and Board member Joel Rosenberg, and Director Coleen Gilboy in addition, public Brian Bolton, Steve Rench, Jessica Bolton and others who did not sign in or we could not read.

Absent: None

- I. **Call to Order** - Meeting was called to order at 5:31 pm by President Canedy
- II. **Call to Public:** None
- III. **Consent agenda** – Mr. Drake moved to Accept the Minutes from February 21, 2023. Mrs. Rench 2nd the motion. No discussion – all in favor
- IV. **Chairman’s Report** - * Paving is happening, * the New Mule is here, Mr. DeWitt is looking at putting in a set of conduit for future electric projects so we do NOT cut our new asphalt. * Got rooms at Tavern Hotel at the same price as Little Daisy Hotel for the Judges. * Shirts for the board
- V. **Administration Report** - * Most items are listed below * Flywheelers put in a walk through gate down to the Arena so the fence can be closed and locked, but staff can still walk through.
- VI. **Financials** - Mrs. Rench moved to approve the February 2023 financials. Mr. Drake seconded the Motion All in favor.
- VII. **Committee Report** –
 - A) **Livestock:** *AZ Mobil Meats will be the only processor at the auction this year, Perkinsville will accept animals, Carl’s custom meats will not be able to attend this year. * The sheep and goat barn is full, there are some animals that are sharing pens. * 20 goats will be housed in the swine barn. * Need to decorate the trophy case and the tables for the luncheon. * 18 turkeys pens are still needed – going to Holbrook to get stackable cages.
 - B) **Arena Report:** * March barrel race was cancelled due to the weather, rescheduled for later in May.
 - C) **RV Camping Spots** – *Verde Valley RV camping spots rates are updated and we compared the rates.
 - D) **Rentals** –* No new information.
 - E) **2023 Fair** – * Fair shirts – would board members like shirts to wear, while at the State Capital most fairs had matching shirts. * Parking is going to be done by Camp Verde Football team, * External parking areas have been secured one across the street where the old movie theater was and down by Dollar tree, * We hired a cleaning service to do trash and bathrooms all hours of the fair – the cost is comparable to what we paid staff last year.
- VIII **Old Business**
 - A) **Fire Hydrants** – Trying to get the flow pressure.
 - B) **APS – lines underground** – We have not received numbers from APS, Dewitt will put conduit in so in the future we do not have to cut our new road.
 - C) **Bleachers in Yuma** – Trucking by Mr. Shill to move the bleachers will be \$2,000 a trip, it would take 2 loads per bleacher, unless the smaller section can have 2 combined on one load. Mr. Rice moved to approve a contract with Mr. Shill to bring 2 to 4 bleachers back from Yuma. Mr. Drake 2nd the Motion. All in favor
 - D) **Sound System Bids** – Parts are starting to come in. We will have to rent again in 2023 but in 2024 we should be able to do our own sound.
 - E) **Lunch on the Lawn** – Good event and went to Department of Liquor afterwards to turn in the changes to the license.
 - F) **Master Plan** – will work on this after fair.
 - G) **Mule** – Was delivered today they will train us on it next week when it is not raining.

H) Concrete Barricades and Ticket Booths - Call AZ Jobsite about the ones they have. Mr. Rice approved for the fair to purchase 100 barricades from AZ Jobsite for the fire lane. Mrs. Rench 2nd the motion. All in favor.

IX New Business

A) Roof on the Office - Cruz Pacheco is going to give us a bid

B) Paving Project – They will be paving April 3 – 7, 2023, there will be no driving on it for 48 hours.

C) Navajo County – We are going to borrow cages from Navajo County – they are the only fair in Northern Arizona that has stackable cages.

D) 2023-2024 Budget Timeline – We will put Capital Improvement that people requested in the CIP plan. A Review of the RV costs – how many hours per week, our hours we are open, COLA % - how much money is 1% per person COLA for the year.

X. Future Agenda Items- NONE

XI. Executive Session – NONE

XII. Adjournment – 7:41 pm Mrs. Rench made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Drake seconded the motion. No discussion. All in favor.