



JLA minutes for November 13, 2023

Attendance: Brian Lopez, Ashley Countryman, Kori Wittinger, Mike Clader, Mark Karthaus, Jack Pchelkin, Julie Hernandez, Christy Penner, Mike Pahl, Jacob Willhite, Jennifer Vansant

Guests: Sonia Del Toro, Alisha Tadlock,

- I. **Call to Order** – Meeting called to order at 6:00 pm by Brian Lopez.
- II. **Pledge** – Brian L.
- III. **Public Comment**
 - Sonia D. stated that Don A. was in a meeting and would be late. Brian L. thanked all to helped out during the fair.
- IV. **Approval of Minutes** –
 - The September minutes were reviewed and approved. Jack P. made a motion to approve, second by Mike P., minutes approved.
- V. **Financials**
 - Current financial update – Mike C. , please see attached. The JLA current balance is \$99,016.76 which includes the \$12k in reserves.
- VI. **Unfinished Business**
 - Fair Prep
 - Shade – Sonia D. took note of the comments that shade was an issue during the auction. She stated there are no plans as of yet to remedy it.
 - VIP tables – too much space – there were not comments, it will be worked on for next year
 - Improve flow – invoice and add on's one transaction/one place – Mike C. stated he has this in his notes, and it will be fixed for next year. There will probably be an add on "only" table and then there will be a table for the buyers who have bought and given an add on.
 - Need small animal barn person on JLA – Jennifer V. said that she was present and will be here. She stated she heard there are some worries. She said the poultry inspection at 3-5pm is too hot and needs to be earlier. Sonia D. said she will try to make it earlier Wed. morning.
 - Sale order – place in exhibitor handbook when created, highlight when champions sell. Sonia D. said that was ok and she will do that.
 - Goat pens – something different needs to be done – Christy P. said they are going through growing pains with the number of goats and the miss mash of panels. Goats were continuously getting out. They need pens not panels. The pens need to have real gates. This was brought up in conversation with

Nevada County Fair. They have some and Sonia D. will send a picture to Christy P. of them. They would like to make it so all fairs can use them. Motherlode is also interested. They also need room for pop ups and tack. It was also stated that there is a space issue, and the assignment of stalls was all messed up.

- Send out survey to gold key buyers? - It was agreed upon that this was a good idea and the person who sends the survey out can get the addresses from Sonia.

VII. Projects for the year

- JLA House – 5P Iron send a bid which was sent back and denied by the Fair. They are ready to go and build the handrails. A motion to spend \$2600 the amount on the bid so 5P Iron can build the handrails was made by Jack P. and second by Mike P. Motion passed.
- JLA House – The quote to repair the house which is desperately needed was around \$10 K per Jack P. One estimate/quote from NPC was \$12, 500. Jack P. said we have dealing with this for years and is concerned with the winter weather settling in. Brian L. asked if we should get more bids. Mike P. made a motion to approve the \$12,500 quote from NPC quote and then withdrew his motion. It was decided at the next meeting a new and updated quote would be presented. Sonia D. stated for Don A. that they would do this. Mike P. said he will get a hold of another person for a quote. Julie H. asked that the date for completion be part of the new quote.

VIII. Open Discussion/New Business

- Wheels for pig scale – Mark K. made a motion that we buy the wheel kit for the pig scale not to exceed \$1500, Jack P. second the motion. Motion passed. Brian L. asked Sonia D. if she would make sure this happened and the wheel kit was purchased. Sonia D. said she will ask Don A. to do it.
- Nominations/Elections – For the office of President, Jack P. nominated Brian L., he respectfully declined. Jack P. then asked if anyone was interested, no one was interested. Brian L. nominated Mike C. for the office of President, Mike C. respectfully declined. This will be tabled until the December meeting as the current officers respectfully declined re-election and there were no other people interested in being officers. Kori W. will send an email for the December meeting which will include the election of officers. Jennifer V. will put out on Facebook.
- Christy P. asked when the Livestock Advisory Board meeting was, and Sonia stated they are not planning on having one.
- A discussion regarding the steel material needed for the hog highway took place. Mike P. made a motion to approve the steel material needed for the hog highway which should be \$1300 that will include pain, Mark K. second the motion. Motion passed.

- IX. **Adjournment** -a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ashley C., second by Mike P. Meeting adjourned by Brian L. @ 7:01 pm.

Next Meeting December 11, 2023 @ 6:00pm @ the Gold Country Fairgrounds