

MONTEZUMA COUNTY FAIR BOARD AGENDA

Meeting February 17, 2025

7:00 pm

Montezuma County Fairgrounds

I. Call to Order/ Pledge of Allegiance/ Roll Call /Verify Quorum

Called to order at 7:02 by President Tammy Hampton

In attendance are Felicia Hermann (FH), Amanda Higgins (AH), Kristyn Spruell (KS), Tammy

Hampton (TH), Trent Carver (TC), Jim Mitchell (JM), Bobbie Hunter (BH) and Alternate Logan Hindmarsh (LH)

Pledge was given

II. Set the Agenda

Need to add the resignation of Horse Superintendent

III. Approval of Minutes

January Minutes FH Moves to approve January Minutes AH 2nd Motion Carries

IV. Reports

• Treasurer Report

\$35,600 budget from County for 2025 Fair

Late buckle deposit of \$348.00

Total in account \$35,948.00

BH moves to accept Treasurer Report FH 2nd Motion Carries

• Fairgrounds Manager Report

New race track promoters in effect under a 3 year contract Joe & Glen. They do Demolition Derby's, Monster Trucks & Car Races.

County is accepting potential improvements for Fairgrounds for 2026, if we had any we can send the to Justin

• County Administration Report

Representative not present

• County Council Report

Representative not present but KS was at meeting and they did choose the Fair Award being hoodies

- Extension Office Report

Mandatory Meeting- Maybe for all members not only the livestock members

- Club Activities in fair schedule

- General Barn set up 1 hr before pen set up, make this a requirement for general project members. Make general project sign up sheet to make sure they are present to set up main barn for accountability

- Tear down schedule Saturday evening?

- Livestock Committee Report

- Elected new Treasurer Taylor Oliver, and new Secretary Ashley Nolan

- They can help us with tag in for Swine, Goat & Sheep

- Are looking into Autioneer and Ringmen for sale

- Letting Processors know about sale date so they are aware

- Working on a Bred & Fed list of local breeders for new families

- Carcass contest set up & time undetermined

- Looking into awarding a top 5 for each species in overall Grand Drive

- Looking into things to hype up the livestock events and sale i.e. Parade of Champions

- Jackpot update

V. Public Comment

Public comment is an opportunity during the meeting to present comments to the board for consideration.

Please identify yourself, and if you are representing any other party.

Out of respect for time constraints, each person is asked to limit his or her comments to 3 minutes. A maximum of one hour will be allowed for public comment.

None at this time

VI. Old Business

- March Fair Board Representative for County Council and Livestock Committee: Logan Hindmarsh •

Bylaws sent to BOCC

- Rule Books sent to printer

- Fair Assignments - Updates

- FH talked to some ladies for Open Class quilts to get them back involved at Fair. They are willing but would like to see the quilts downstairs for easier accessibility for people to see and quilting racks to display them on so they do not get touched. The board needs to see if we have the racks and can rope off quilts with a “no touching” sign displayed.

- FH talked to the Health Department about contests like chili, salsa and pie eating. Department approved stipulations of Salsa need to be jarred or fresh for no temperature control. If a Chili contest is happening the health department needs to be involved for temp control. Rules change if we sell tickets. Suggested we wait on a BBQ contest until 2026 for more participation.

- This can be open to the public but a waiver does need to be signed by participants

- FH would also like to have some sort of award for food contest winners i.e. bread scrapper, CREA grant gift card, dum dum suckers for little kids

AH suggested a garden container contest to get more involvement in the fair. People can decorate a container such as boots, wheelbarrows, chairs, statues, metal cans, pots etc with flowers, vegetables mix. Possibly have age groups and try to sell some as a silent auction item. The board can make an area in the vendor portion to display and vote on arrangements.

- Possible largest zucchini contest?

VII. Discussion Items with Possible Actions

- Invoices to Pay

Fair Entry split fee with extension Fair Board portion is \$150.00

AH moves to pay the \$150.00 for fair entry to CSU. JM 2nd **Motion Carries**

- Schedule Date for Poultry Show

Poultry show for Thursday morning at 8am July 31st

- Schedule Date for Rabbit Show

Rabbit Show for Wednesday at 8am July 30th

-Rocket Launch time conflict, possibly move to the weekend of the Horse show on the 19th? Justin did remind the board that we do not have the entire fairgrounds rented for that weekend, only the indoor barn.

*Possibly ask the race track if the rockets could be launched there on the morning of the 19th?

-Saturday Sale time

-Dinner at time of sale? Set tables and angles to where everyone can see on the ground floor. Would be fun to decorate tables sometimes buyers will get in bidding competitions set up this way which would drive sale prices up for the kids.

-Set up sale ring in a shotgun runway with tables on both sides so kids and walk animals up the runway for better visuals of animals.

-Would be nice to have buyers spots at table with names of businesses

-Possibly offer a sponsorship package for business i.e. Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze levels.

KS moves to have sale time at 6:00 pm on Saturday night August 2nd

Kids dance will be too late that night?

When would we clean up sale ring? 8am next morning, general and livestock members to be on grounds to take down sale ring and general project area before animal release at 10am

AH 2nd Motion Carries

TH is concerned this is too late but willing to try it out

Desmond did suggest a check in questionnaire at table for buyers to get accurate data of what they would like to see at fair

- Community Events for Fair

-Ranch Rodeo, get ahold of Twine. JM would like to see if we can get this sanctioned to bring in more contestants (Chase Suckla may have info) JM to make calls to get this to happen

-Ranch Rodeo Friday August 1st

-Need to know how much Ranch Rodeo will be, JM may be able to get sponsor for it

-Contacts would be Kent Wollert 970-275-1658 & Twine 970-769-3253

- Vendor Form

FH would like to keep \$20 fee for vendors to get them to come to fair

JM have farmers market for extra vendors

Desmond suggested asking the local farmers market to move the Saturday morning event to the fairgrounds Aug 2nd. Barb Anderson would be a good contact for farmers market

July 14th deadline for vendor form

\$50 late fee for entry's after this time

1st signed up 1st served for spots and electric

Generator debate for food vendors

12x12 spot \$20 yes

Food vendors change to \$150

-there are 4 220 electric outlets and several 110 outlets

-In 2025 the vendors needing the 220 were 6 and 3 used the 110

Generators allowed with previous approval

If generators are needed contact AH & LH

-Check in Tuesday 1-5pm Check out *Not during sale*

- Concessions Bid for Fair

TH to send out bid for a non profit to use the kitchen for concessions

- Virtual Tag In Specifics

Upload Bill of Sale if B&F on 4H online

Upload photos

Hand out tags at Mandatory Meeting

Tags to be pre-assigned

Tagging guns not provided

Tag #'s assigned @ April 16th mandatory meeting

Slide at meeting

Lost tags before deadline contact extension for new tag

Instruction page for each species "How to Tag"

Set up 3 tables at meeting to hand out tags Swine, Goat, Sheep and have log to assign #'s to members

- RV Camping Spots – Online Reservation

Justin to put tags on posts to clearly mark RV spots

Aspen Wall Wood to plug in at top of parking lot

Flat fee of \$150 for RV spot not per night

Credit Card online to pay, funds go to livestock committee account and they will pay Justin

*Horse Superintendent- Put notice out for LOI for new super due by March meeting

- Fair Board Meeting Location

Rodeo Room at Fairgrounds

- March Meeting

Keep March 17th

FH & AH will be absent

VIII. Other Discussion

**The Board shall conduct such further business as may come before said*

meeting **IX.** Adjourn KS moves to adjourn meeting AH 2nd at 9:01 pm **MC**