

**SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE MEETING
JOINT MEETING WITH CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
JULY 24, 2012 – 5:00 P.M.**

Chairman Logan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Committee members present: Scott Logan, Lori Moller, Tammy Herrera, Mark Lancaster, Barb Rowe and Jay Schulz. Members Wanda Marzahl, Amy Bittner, Bill Clow, Laura Evers and Jane Siebert were absent. Also present were Mayor Nolan, Crystal Musgrove, Vicki Schulz, Kim McFarlin, Courtney Bluhm, Mic Woods, Ron Most and Lenora Nolan.

TRI COUNTY PRO RODEO JULY 27-28, 2012

Big Hat Rodeo

- Lenora noted that rodeo entries will be done tonight and she will have a list of contestants either late Wednesday or Thursday.
- Rodeo contestants and vendors will enter the park from the Ratzlaff St. entrance at which time each contestant will receive two wristbands; everyone else will have to get out and go to the main entrance to purchase a ticket.
- Lenora noted that she has about 10 flag poles.
- Sponsor Dance Off will be held right after the team roping.
- The stick horse parade will be held Saturday evening right at 7 p.m.

Sponsor Night

- Sponsor night will be Thursday, July 26th from 7-9 p.m. for both sponsors and volunteers. Steve Creviston is cooking hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, sweet corn and chips. Beverages will also be available.
- Dean's van will be brought out Thursday by 2 p.m., but if we don't get the van hooked up Thursday, we can use regular coolers for Sponsor Night. Mic has a trailer and will deliver the beer, pop and water to the grounds.

Grounds

- Big Hat Rodeo will set up Thursday morning so everything is ready for Sponsor Night. They will tear down Saturday evening after the rodeo and will need the forklift by 9 p.m.
- Grounds set up was changed from 7 am to noon.
- The arena will be shifted back to where it was last year to stay away from the wooden fence.
- The bleachers will be delivered either Wednesday or Thursday; the porta-pots and light towers will be delivered either Thursday or Friday.
- Mark will pick up the ticket booth from Skinners Wednesday evening.
- Blue Ribbon Electric will be out Thursday to get everything ready and again Friday afternoon to make sure all the vendors are hooked up.
- The stage will be set up Wednesday, depending on the weather.
- 4 tables are needed for the beer tent; 2 tables and 4 chairs are needed for the announcers stand.
- The stock tanks need to be filled for the livestock Thursday and refilled as needed. The consensus was to use water from the hydrant.
- The Savino Sisters will be singing the national anthem each night.
- Volunteers will enter the park from the Ratzlaff St. entrance and parking to the east of the barn.

Tickets

- Lenora indicated she has wristbands that could be used for VIP tickets.
- All volunteers need to be on the master list; people not on the list will have to pay for a ticket to get in.
- The ticket booth will close around 9:00 – 9:30 each night depending on whether or not people are still in line to get tickets.
- Online ticket sales will be taken off the website as of midnight Thursday and a list will be printed of advance ticket sales for the ticket booth.

There was discussion about Smokin Gunz who is the band for Friday evening. Part of their contract called for a performance during the Milk Day Parade and they called the day before that they couldn't be in the parade. Stateline Band was hired in the amount of \$300 for the Milk Day Parade. Crystal felt there was an obligation to the ticket holders because we have advertised Smokin Gunz. As previously discussed, a check will be cut for \$500 and given to Smokin Gunz after the performance. The Chamber will have a check on hand if needed.

MUD VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT/DRAM SHOP INSURANCE

Chairman Logan reviewed the quotes received for dram shop insurance for the mud volleyball tournament on August 18th, 2012. Quotes were received from Jones Insurance, Stahl Insurance and the Frost Group and were in the \$350-\$400 range. After discussion, moved by Mark Lancaster, seconded by Tammy Herrera to purchase the dram shop insurance from Jones Insurance at a cost not to exceed \$400. All ayes. Motion carried.

At 6:15 p.m., moved by Barb Rowe, seconded by Mark Lancaster to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.

Submitted by:
Lori Moller, Secretary