



Yellowstone County Council Minutes September 5, 2024

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Vice President Carson Adkins 7:02 pm.

Pledges: No presenters

Minutes: Minutes from 6/6/2024 meeting were read. Motion to accept minutes with minor corrections made by Amy Ready, seconded by Caroline Brito, motion passed.

Treasurer's report: Caroline Brito reported approximately \$56,000 in account as of 8/31/2024. Motion to table acceptance of Treasurers report until October Council Meeting made by Caroline Brito, seconded by Angie Murdick, motion passed.

Correspondence: 3 Thank you cards received, read, and passed around for review

Old Business:

FFN: 11/23/2024, First planning meeting is on 9/24/2024 at 6 pm at the 4-H Building.

National 4-H Week: 10/7-12, 2024. This year's National Campaign theme is Beyond Ready, 2025 theme will be Celebrate (110 years of 4-H) 2026-2027 theme will be Generations.

Committees:

Dept. N:

- **Post Fair discussion:**

Judges:

- Judges not showing up or cancelling at the last minute created issues,
- would like the judges to give the kids more feedback,

Review of processes:

Photography- have 4H ages (B/J/S) judged by separate judge

Piece of 4-H: consider allowing kids that do not have livestock sell one blue ribbon item, even if not Best of Class

Best of Class:

Cut back to only allowing one Best of Class nomination per person to sell.

Allow Best of Class Nominees to substitute a blue-ribbon quality item to sell, if they did not want to sell the item nominated for BOC.

Cloverbud Activities were a hit.

4-H Promotion Booth: Should we have one that is ran by the clubs

Dept. A:

- **Post Fair Meetings:** Roni provided list M.
- **AQA:** Need teachers.
- **Nile Ag Ed: 10/14-16/2024 8:30-2:30** Helpers needed for sessions and bag stuffing 10/10/2024 4 pm at the 4-H Building

County Awards:

- Need Facilitators and Record Book Checkers,
- Discussion about revamping the nomination form to be more user friendly, adding categories to make it easier for those wanting to nominate someone.

Congress: 18 kids went

Nominating, Budget, and Policy Committee: Review of Committee reports tabled as meeting was postponed to 9/10/24.

Ambassadors/Teen Leaders:

Ambassador Scholarship: More discussion about how to set up the distribution process- criteria to be met, the committee did not have a chance to meet to go over ideas.

Fall Training: Billings 11/1-3/2024

Exchange: Working on a comedy night, selling RADA knives, still taking cookbook recipes

New Business:

Annual Calendar: Need items to add and dates to consider- if you have workshops planned- get dates to office.

Agent Report:

- **Workshops:** any planned?
- **4-H Now App:** Naomi Cass is beta testing- she feels it will promote better communication with tweens and teens
- **Citizenship Seminar:** 1/19-21/2025 in Helena
- **Camp 2025:** June 16-20 or July 8-11 are available dates.
- **Fair 2025:** Aug 8-16
- **Nile:** Can take Meat, Horse and Livestock judging teams.
- **4-H Foundation:** has partnered with McDonalds for statewide support, on 10/8/2024 from 5-8pm there will be a 4-H promotion for this, they would like live people

Angie Murdick moved to adjourn the meeting, Caroline Brito seconded, meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: October 3, 6:30 pm 4-H Building, no Dept N

Submitted by

Angie Murdick

Secretary