

**Adams County Agricultural Society**

**Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

**7:30 p.m.**

- I. Call To Order**
- II. Roll Call**

**PUBLIC NOTICE:** Official Notice of the Regular Meeting was published in the Hastings Tribune on March 8, 2024. Pursuant to Nebraska Revised Statute Section 84-1412, the public is advised that a copy of today's agenda be posted in the back of this meeting room. In addition, a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act is posted in the back of the meeting room which is accessible to members of the public.
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Approval of Minutes**
- V. Guests**
  - A. Ruth Nicolaus**
- VI. Public Comments**
- VII. 4-H Council - Hartman**
- VIII. Executive Committee - Wahl**
- IX. Budget, Audit & Finance - Bolte**
  - A. Approval of Bills**
- X. Building & Grounds - Bumgardner**
- XI. Policy & Regulations Committee - Bolte**
- XII. Strategic Planning Committee**
- XIII. Foundation Report - Wahl**
- XV. Technology - Stark**
- XVI. Oregon Trail Rodeo - S. Hinrichs**
  - A. Nicolaus & Associates**
- XVII. Fair Committee - Bolte**
- XVIII. Kool-Aid Days - Niles**
  - A. Kool-Aid Days Agreement with Hastings Museum**
- XIX. Old Business**
- XX. New Business**
- XXI. Manager Report - Laux**
- XXII. Executive Session**

The Adams County Ag Society Board reserve the right to enter into an executive session at any time during the meeting, in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, even though the closed session may not be indicated on the agenda.

It is the intention of the Ag Society Board to take up the items on the agenda in sequential order. However, the Ag Society reserve the right to take up matters in a different order to accommodate the schedules of the Ag Society Directors, a person having items on the agenda, and the public.

**For the full agenda and minutes go to <https://www.adamscountyfairgrounds.com/p/about/agenda>**

# Adams County Agricultural Society Board Meeting Minutes

Date: February 13, 2024

Call to Order Time: 7:30

## I. Call To Order

The Regular Meeting of the Adams County Agricultural Society, Hastings, Nebraska, met in open and public session at the Adams County Fairgrounds in Hastings, NE. Open meeting laws were posted and notice of meeting was advertised in the Hastings Tribune.

## II. Roll Call: Present were:

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Reid Ayers	x		Jennifer Hartman			William Rathje	x	
Curt Bolte	x		Scott Hinrichs			Brad Stark		
Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x		Justin Wahl	x	
						Jolene Laux, manager	x	

## III. Pledge of Allegiance

## IV. Approval of Minutes

**Motion: Approval of the minutes for 01 / 09, 2024.**

Motion by: Curt Bolte

Seconded by: Reid Ayers

### Roll Call Vote:

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Reid Ayers	x		William Rathje	x		Jennifer Hartman		
Brad Stark			Justin Wahl	x		Curt Bolte	x	
Scott Hinrichs			Patrick Niles	x		Kurtis Bumgardner	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

## V. Guests:

Harold Johnson

Cynthia Smith

Jamee Bockerman

## VI. Public Comment:

Harold: Jail delayed again due to some problems. To open in the middle of April possibly.

Cynthia: Turned in app for race, added money for extra stalls and other items, race starts at 4pm

Wants to extend the contract for one more year, asked about budgeting, put in new business said by Justin.

Jamee: Talked about sign up and some incentives, counsel worked on schedule for 2024, about set up, livestock move in, what days animals are being shown.

Reid asked about shortening the fair and Jamee mentioned it was about 50/50 and possibly more push back against it. Didn't really want to do anything later at night due to safety.

Justin: Asked about possibly being looked into more for next year better.

Cythia asked about how to sign up for 4-H and if it could be done online, deadline is tomorrow at 4pm

**VII. 4-H Council - Justin Wahl**

Report from Council Meeting

Long discussion about changing showtimes

**VIII. Executive Committee - Justin Wahl**

Justin talked about how the agenda is posted and making sure we are being transparent about everything.

**IX. Budget, Audit & Finance - Curt Bolte**

**Motion: Approval to Pay the Bills as presented for: \$19,641.38**

Motion by: Curt Bolte Seconded by: Kurtis Bumgardner

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**Motion: To combine the Wells Fargo account, ATM account, Fair account and Scholarship account into an operating money marketing account/checking account and combine Pinnacle Bank Capital and Heritage Capital into a capital money marketing account/checking account at Adams County Bank.**

Motion by: Curt Bolte Seconded by: Patrick Niles

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**Motion: To open a bank account at Five Points Bank for Kool-Aid Days.**

Motion by: Curt Bolte

Seconded by: Patrick Niles

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**Motion: To close the High School Rodeo account at US Bank and move the money to the Operating Account.**

Motion by: Curt Bolte

Seconded by: Reid Ayres

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**X. Buildings and Grounds - K.Bumgardner**

**Motion: To approve Second stage of arena lighting for the amount of \$27,220.68**

Motion by: Ried Ayers

Seconded by: Patrick Niles

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner		A	Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**Motion: To approve additional lighting project for the amount of \$11,116.95**

Motion by: Patrick Niles

Seconded by: Curt Bolte

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner		A	Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**XI. Policy & Regulations Committee - C.Bolte**

None.

**XII. Strategic Planning**

Meeting for the building to replace animal barns, they are planning to go out and look at other buildings to gain ideas of what we want and look into potential grants.

**XIII. Foundation - Justin Wahl**

Wants to find out what the foundation is doing and if they want to be involved anymore and if there's any kind of budget for us.

**XV. Technology - B.Stark**

None

**XVI. Oregon Trail Rodeo - S.Hinrichs**

Contract for Nicolas & Associates : tabled: Pat.

**XVII. Fair Committee - C. Bolte**

Waiting for contracts for serving beer.

This Thursday is business after hours, release of concerts and auctioning off items from last year fair concerts.

**XVIII. Kool-Aid Days - S. Hinrichs**

Jolene; talked about Viaero to do thing with kool aid days, it sells items from kool aid and makes extra money - Saturday, Mar 2, 2024

**Motion:** To approve Viaero event contract.

Motion by: Will R      Seconded by: Curt B

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**XIX. Old Business**

**Double Locked Security and rates: Jolene**

**Motion:** To approve the new contract for Double Locked Security for 2024

Motion by: Curt      Seconded by: Pat

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		

Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**XX. New Business**

Dueling pianos, Howling at the Moon

What different things we can do for fundraising and what we could make from it to put towards other projects. Like food, casinos, pianos, auctions. Selling plates or table's: Jolene

**Motion: To approve the contract for Howling at the Moon and the additional items listed in the contract for the amount of \$10,000.**

Motion by: Will R      Seconded by: Curt B

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Justin Wahl	x		Reid Ayers	x		Scott Hinrichs		
Jennifer Hartman			Kurtis Bumgardner	x		Patrick Niles	x	
Brad Stark			Curt Bolte	x		William Rathje	x	

**MOTION: CARRIED**

**Motion: To approve the new John Deere Tractor lease rental agreement**

Motion by   Kurtis        Seconded by   Will  

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
Curt Bolte	x		Reid Ayers	x		Kurtis Bumgardner	x	
Jennifer Hartman			William Rathje	x		Brad Stark		
Patrick Niles	x		Justin Wahl	x		Scott Hinrichs		

**MOTION: CARRIED**

Justin Wahl : About the race track, we'll have to put it on the agenda for next board meeting, recommended taking a look on how they will present the contract and to keep in mind the kind of upkeep it takes to keep the track usable and the cost associated with it, many things are already in bad condition and mentioned the other opportunities the property could be used for.

**XXI. Manager Report - J.Laux**

**None**

9:25pm

**XXII. Executive Session:**

Time entered Executive Session: 9:29pm

Time left Executive Session: 9:56pm

***Motion: To increase an employee's wage by 3%***

Motion by Will

Seconded by Reid

**Roll Call Vote:**

Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N	Name	Y	N
William Rathje			Scott Hinrichs			Patrick Niles		
Reid Ayers			Kurtis Bumgardner			Jennifer Hartman		
Curt Bolte			Brad Stark			Justin Wahl		

**MOTION: CARRIED**

# ADAMS COUNTY AG SOCIETY

## Vendor Balance Summary

As of March 12, 2024

	<u>Total</u>	
ALLO	312.81	Phone/internet
BCS INSURANCE COMPANY	97.76	Employee Life Insurance
CPI	217.77	Fuel
DOUBLE LOCKED SECURITY	1,090.14	Security
ECHO GROUP INC.	114.70	Light Bulbs
HASTINGS AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERICE	225.00	Business After Hours
HASTINGS TRIBUNE	243.27	Bridal Ad/Board Meeting Ad
HASTINGS UTILITIES	8,183.21	808 Franklin-\$523.47/947 S. Baltimore-\$7659.74
JASON E JACOBSON	1,174.70	Speakers/Mixer for Barns/4-H Arena
KSNB	1,750.00	Hastings Outdoor Show Advertising
LEE ADVERTISING	1,437.50	Hastings Outdoor Show Advertising
NRG MEDIA	1,323.00	Hastings Outdoor Show & Fair Advertising
NRG MEDIA - KROR	924.00	Hastings Outdoor Show Advertising
WELLS FARGO VENDOR FINANCIAL SERVICES	115.99	Copier Machine Lease
WOODWARD'S DISPOSAL	748.56	Garbage
TOTAL	<u>\$ 17,958.41</u>	
FIRST CONCORD BENEFITS GROUP	129.00	Employee Cafeteria Plan
BIG G ACE	62.18	Rental of Drain Cleaner/Hinges
COLUMBIA INSURANCE	67.00	Comm Package Policy
TOTAL	<u>\$ 258.18</u>	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$18,216.59</b>	

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# Nicolaus & Associates

Marketing & Public Relations

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February 7, 2024

Oregon Trail Rodeo Committee:

This will serve as a two-year contract for the publicity representation for the Oregon Trail Rodeo in Hastings, Nebraska, August 16-17-18, 2024 and August 15-16-17, 2025, between the Oregon Trail Rodeo Committee (hereafter referred to as "Committee") and Ruth Nicolaus, (hereafter referred to as "PUBLICITY REPRESENTATIVE").

1. PUBLICITY REPRESENTATIVE will send news releases to local media, within 100 mile radius of Hastings.
2. PUBLICITY REPRESENTATIVE will schedule on-air TV and radio interviews with rodeo personalities.
3. PUBLICITY REPRESENTATIVE will provide principal transportation to/from interviews for rodeo personalities.
4. COMMITTEE will provide access to media room at rodeo grounds for media representative during week of rodeo (the use of office space is sufficient.)

Contract for 2024: \$2647 (2% increase from previous year)

Contract for 2025: \$2700 (2% increase from previous year)

Agreed and accepted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

For Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLICITY REPRESENTATIVE: Ruth Nicolaus

date

2-7-24

## Kool-Aid Days Agreement

This agreement is entered into between the Kool-Aid Days Committee of the Adams County Agricultural Society and the Hastings Museum on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2024.

WHEREAS, the parties wish to enter into a written agreement in order to set the terms regarding the selling of merchandise at the annual Kool-Aid Days event.

WHEREAS, both parties wish to continue their partnership regarding the annual Kool-Aid Days event.

WHEREAS, as part of the annual Kool-Aid Days event, both parties sell the same merchandise at different locations.

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of both parties to agree on the following terms in order to have a successful annual Kool-Aid Days event.

THEREFORE, the Kool-Aid Days Committee of the Adams County Agricultural Society and the Hastings Museum agree to the following:

- 1) Kool-Aid Days Committee will be responsible for providing the Kool-Aid Days logo design for each annual event and will be securing the appropriate Trademark Licenses, if any.
- 2) The Hastings Museum will not alter the Kool-Aid Days logo on any merchandise it orders or sells.
- 3) Both parties agree to use the same vendor for all products sold as part of this annual event.
- 4) Both parties agree to sell all similar products at the same price. These prices will be determined by the Kool-Aid Days Committee and the Adams County agricultural Society.
- 5) The Hastings Museum is not authorized to share Kool-Aid Days graphic artwork or consign Kool-Aid Days merchandise to other vendors.
- 6) Each party will purchase their own merchandise and keep the proceeds from the sales of their own merchandise.
- 7) Each Party may sign separate signature pages of this Agreement, which together will constitute an original version of this Agreement.
- 8) This Agreement will automatically renew each year. Either party may amend the agreement prior to the beginning of the calendar year.
- 9) This agreement will be governed by the laws of Nebraska.

HASTINGS MUSEUM  
CITY OF HASTINGS

KOOL-AID DAYS COMMITTEE  
ADAMS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

By: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_