

Rural Revival Minutes – June 25, 2018

Members Present (Directors in bold): Tim Eisenbeis, Paul Ortman, S. Roy Kaufman, John Koch, Dee Millar, Lorraine Ensz, Lyle Preheim, Lillie Eisenbeis, Dennis Jurkovich, Richard Ensz, Andre Eisenbeis, Larry Eisenbeis, Arden Wek

Guests: Bonnie Denino, Gabriel Eisenbeis, Will Ortman, Josh Hofer, Tom Graber, Nate Preheim (via phone)

Freeman Butcher Shop: Nate updated us on the progress. Nate and Tim Kautz have been talking to financial and legal consultants about setting up a business. They are looking for local and regional people who might be interested in investing in the butcher shop.

Minutes: The Minutes of the May 28, 2018 monthly meeting were reviewed and approved with one correction by adding the title “Community Leadership Land Trust” in front of the eighth paragraph. Motion to approve by John Koch, seconded by Dee Millar, passed unanimously.

Minutes: The Minutes of the Rural Revival Board Meeting Minutes from June 14, 2018 were reviewed and approved. Motion to approve by John Koch, seconded by Arden Wek, passed unanimously.

Treasurer’s Report: Paul reported that the bank balance is \$853.24 of which \$491.18 is allocated for the Farmer’s Market.

Farmer’s Market: Lillie reported that a banner has been purchased as well as weekly ads in the Freeman Courier. They are looking for additional vendors.

Community Leadership Land Trust: Tim summarized the project for those who were not aware of the project. The closing for the Rural Revival purchase of a 20% ownership in the Loren Saner tract is scheduled for Friday June 29, 2018. The seven people who have signed onto the project are committing to an approximate \$600 donation to Rural Revival per year for the bank loan. Others may make donations to the project as well.

Our homework for the next meeting is to think about uses and benefits of a land trust. Roy, Richard and Larry expressed interest in forming a committee to study the subject.

Special Guest Tom Graber: Tom talked to us about his plan to put up three 2,400 animal hog barns in Turner County. He talked about the process he went through and his motivations. Tom was willing to answer all our questions for which we were grateful.

Turner County Board of Adjustment: Tim reported that the board will have an informational meeting on July 9 at the Turner County Courthouse in Parker.

Rural Revival Corporate Resolution: It was moved by Dee Millar that the Rural Revival Corporate Resolution at Merchants State Bank be changed to remove Paul Ortman and add Lillie Eisenbeis as an authorized representative. Seconded by John Koch. Passed unanimously.

Adjournment: Moved by Dee Millar, seconded by Lyle Preheim and passed.

Respectfully submitted by Dennis Jurkovich, Secretary