Rural Revival Minutes - November 25, 2024

Freeman City Library

Directors Present: Brent Brockmueller, S. Roy Kaufman, Dennis Lehmann, Spencer

Bradford, Tim Eisenbeis, Dennis Jurkovich

Directors Absent: Philip Eisenbeis, Beth Kaufman

Members Present: Dee Millar, Andre Eisenbeis

Minutes: The Minutes of the September 23, 2024 meeting were reviewed. Motion

to approve by Brent, seconded by Dee, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Report included

Board Member Attendance: Beth Kaufman has not attended for more than the last three meetings since moving out of South Dakota. Per the bylaws Beth is automatically removed from the board of directors. There are now seven directors which is the minimum allowed in the bylaws.

Committees:

Land Trust/Access

No report

Local Foods:

There were 31 vendors in 2024. The average per week was 14, maximum week was 18, low was 8. There were 16 new vendors. There was a vendor appreciation event on October 18 held in the park.

The committee is planning to hold a local food event in 2025

Looking into sending a post card flyer to the community in 2025 showing the schedule and noting special events such as live music.

The Facebook page is being updated to list off season items available.

Education:

The committee met on November 21. We hope to have Megan speak about the Farm to School program in January. A Freeman Courier article about the work of Will and Sherilyn Ortman is being planned, also an article about Craig Wollman. The Tri-State Neighbor magazine is being contacted to see what education they may have available.

Scholarships

Tim is working with Malynda Penner, the FFA coordinator at Freeman Public School, to provide a Rural Revival scholarship for a student interested in attending a farming conference in 2025.

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Tim donated a raw milk sample for those students who wanted to taste.

Special Events:

Brent brought up the idea of an education event on value added agriculture. There are many farmers offering these services in South Dakota currently.

No meeting in December. The next regular meeting will be on January 27, 2025 at 8:00 pm

Respectfully submitted by Dennis Jurkovich, Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Rural Revival November 18, 2024

11-18-2024	Balance on hand	\$8,379.89
Expenses 11-18-2024	2 nd Century Publishing, (Farmer's Market ad)	29.00 \$ 29.00
Income. 10-28-2024 11-12-2024	Farmer's Market Deposits (Brent Brockmueller) Membership (Lyle Preheim)	170.00 20.00 \$ 190.00
11-18-2024	Balance on hand	\$ 8,540.89
11-18-2024	Farmer's Market Balance	\$ 889.13.

S. Roy Kaufman, Treasurer Rural Revival November 18, 2024

As I may not be able to attend the November 25 meeting in order to attend my grand daughters' musical in Colorado, I am submitting this report to be posted on the Rural Revival website,