

PRICE COUNTY AD HOC COMMITTEE ON DAMAGE TO FAIRGROUND BUILDINGS MEETING MINUTES

Date: September 9, 2020

Time: 3:00 p.m.

Place: Courthouse County Board Room 101, 126 Cherry St; Phillips, WI

Meeting called to order by Paula Houdek, Chairperson at 3:00 p.m. Roll Call: Voting members present: Paula Houdek, Jordan Spacek. Excused: Jeff Hallstrand. Advisory members present: Michelle Drobnick. Excused: Keith Laatsch, James Palmquist. Also present – Nick Trimner, David Bockerstette, Kurt Berner from Samuels Group, Bob Kopisch.

Items for discussion and possible action:

1. Communications: Jordan had reached out to an area contractor for suggestions on building options. Has not heard back.
2. Minutes from July 9, 2020 meeting: Motion Spacek/Houdek to approve the minutes from the July 9, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried.
3. Insurance Claim Status: Insurance company offered another \$10,000 to bring it to \$15,000 but wanted a waiver from any future legal actions. Nick responded with a request for \$250,000 and has not received a response.
4. Update from Samuels Group – Kurt Berner
 - a. Soil Boring Tests: Soil borings were done in August. Preliminary report revealed unstable soil conditions for building. Possibility of construction with viable foundations that would require additional preparation.
5. Damage to Barn – Options and Costs: Samuels group will be able to provide deliverables after the soil report is received and they have firmer expectations from the committee. Project to save existing building would require stabilizing foundation of entire structure. Anticipate in excess of \$300,000. Any project not probable until the 2021 budget cycle. Will be a Phase I project. There is still equipment in the collapsed section. Motion Spacek/Houdek to authorize Samuels Group to put together a bid packet for demo and cleanup of the collapsed wing of the barn. Motion carried.
6. Damage to Open Class Building – Options and Costs: Also waiting for soil reports. Will be a Phase II project. Motion Spacek/Houdek to authorize Samuels Group to put together bid packet for demo of Open Class Building and stabilization of electrical service. Motion carried.
7. Electrical Infrastructure to Fairground Buildings – Options and Costs: Electric service needs to be addressed.
8. Funding Options: Michelle has received some interest from people willing to donate. Could start a GoFundMe page or other donation platform but would need to define project and dollar amount requesting.
9. Report to Executive Committee: Will need estimates for demo costs.
10. Report to the County Board: Will need to request additional meetings. Will have report from Samuels Group when it is ready.
11. Next Steps: Fair Association and 4-H members will need to plan for 2021 with no building projects completed. Plans for electrical project. Get Request for Proposals from Samuels Group for demo of the Barn Wing and Open Class Building
12. Request Additional Meetings: Motion Spacek/Houdek to request an additional four committee meetings from the County Board. Motion carried.
13. Next meeting date: Late October or early November.
14. Meeting adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

Submitted by: Jean Gottwald, County Clerk