

MINUTES OF THE IOWA COUNTY AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION COUNCIL

February 13, 2018, 6:00 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Iowa County Extension Council was held on February 13, 2018, at the extension office in Williamsburg, Ia. The meeting was called to order by Colleen Conrad at 6:00 p.m. with the following members attending: Brent Ness, Sean Wetjen, Marcia Kilgard, Leo Rudolphi, Scott Axmear, Colleen Conrad, Jim Yenter Absent: Erin Meyer, Justin Sayers Others: Gene Mohling, Mary Veatch

Lori Donahoe, IECA Rep for Region 15 reported on the annual conference and legislative day via phone. Legislative Day Feb. 28; IECA Annual Conference March 10 Ames
<https://www.iaextensioncouncils.org/>

Brent Ness moved to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2018. 2nd by Jim Yenter Carried unanimously

A motion to approve the treasurer's report balance of \$160,636.61 in MM, \$50 in the Cash Box and \$6,105.46 in checking was made by Brent Ness. 2nd by Jim Yenter. Carried unanimously.

Brent Ness moved to approve checks 12422-12449 plus EFT's. 2nd by Jim Yenter. Carried unanimously.

6:30 P.M. for Public Hearing FY'19

Brent Ness moved to recess the Extension Council Meeting for the public hearing. 2nd by Jim Yenter Carried unanimously.

"This is the time and place set for the public hearing on the Iowa County Extension Budget. The notice of the public hearing did appear in the Marengo Pioneer Republican not more than 20 days and not less than 10 days before the hearing as required by law on January 31, 2018. Are there any objections or comments concerning the budget?" There were no comments.

Jim Yenter moved to close the public hearing. 2nd by Leo Rudolphi. Carried unanimously.

Chair reopens recessed meeting.

Jim Yenter moved to approve \$399,378 total expenses, mil rate of \$.23123 and levy funds of \$230,000. 2nd by Scot Axmear All voted yes.

County Fair Update: Continue with the county fair book- fair book printing, same as last year (Home Town Market Place). Fair entry is under development; rules changes are being developed, the trophy sponsorships are coming in, July 11-15 are the dates for county fair.

Brent Ness moved to approve the list of volunteers for February 2018 which included Cassie Bott and Landon Wade. 2nd by Jim Yenter Carried unanimously.

Extension Week-Open House and/or 100th Birthday Celebration - Mary Veatch reported on 100 year anniversary suggests for area parades, AVPEO to be invited at the opening night of county fair at queen event.

Program Up-Date Report on Youth Comm./Fair Board/Ag/4-H/Endowment Update

Newsletters, Ag Programs, 4-H programs, Fruit Sales concluding, project workshop on April 11, Ag Outlook hosted at the Riverside Casino on March 8, YQCA to start for members with financial support offered.

Copier Bids - Mary Veatch present bids from Koch, Premier and Access. 60 month lease and/or purchase along with maintenance contracts for each bid. Sean Wetjen moved to approve the bid from Access to lease. 2nd by Brent Ness Carried unanimously The current contract for copy machines will be terminated.

Brent Ness moved to consolidate the gas meters. 2nd by Jim Yenter. Carried unanimously. This move will save the monthly service charges.

Performance Review Update – 4:30 p.m. March 7. Volunteers include Brent, Sean, Colleen, Leo; Mary will contact council members to set a date.

A March meeting will be held on the 13th unless the Council determines otherwise.

Brent Ness **moved to adjourn**. 2nd by Jim Yenter. Carried unanimously.

Brent Ness, Acting Secretary