



## Yellowstone County Council Minutes February 6, 2025

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order by President Carson Adkins at 6:35 pm

**Pledges:** Presented by Sarah Robertson and Ella Dykes.

**Minutes:** Minutes from the 12/5/24 meeting were read. Minutes accepted.

**Treasurer's report:** Caroline Brito reported \$85,957.58 in the account as of 1/31/2025. Treasures report accepted. Caroline announced that Rochelle Smith had accepted the nomination for Asst Treasurer. Dan Robertson moved we accept the nomination, Erin Robertson seconded, motion passed.

**Correspondence:** Multiple Thank you cards were received, senders' names were read, cards were passed around.

**Introductions:** Introductions were made by those in attendance

### Old Business:

**Fruit Sale:** Chris Dykes reported that most of his long-term buyers are ok with the increase, Caroline Brito and Heather Arkell commented to the same.

**Denver Trip:** The Yellowstone Parly Pro team (Carson Adkins, Naomi Cass, Erin Robertson and Aiden Lentz) and Evan Cass reported on their trip to the National Contest. The Zoo was one of the highlights.

**Citizenship Seminar and Legislative Breakfast:** Roni reported – 8 Yellowstone County representatives were there.

**Volunteer Summit:** Heather Arkell reported

### Committees:

#### **Dept. N:**

Dept N All Around (forms are online), MT Fair theme is "Celebrate 110 years of fun", Make it and Take it, Showcase and Communication Day and county workshops were discussed.

**Announcements: Rec Lab** is March 28-30, registration opens 2/10/25 on ZSuite.

**Showcase and Communication Day** will be in the Expo small bay, discussion to change date, but no other date was available so April 19<sup>th</sup> was kept.

**Cloverbud Camp** is July 22, 2025, there was a small discussion as to themes.

#### **Dept. A:**

**Fair Buyer Baskets:** Volunteers for basket deliveries needed

**AQA and Workshops:** Need Teachers and Helpers

**Ambassadors/Teen Leaders:** New Ambassador Team was introduced -Wade Bekkdahl, Kadence Sims, Brooklyn Kuhr and Grace Sedlachek

**Officer Training:** more young kids than usual

**Leadership Academy:** Ambassadors are hosting a meeting in Joliet at the County Extension Office on February 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm

**Exchange:** Working on fundraising activities.

**Comedy Night:** March 29<sup>th</sup>, tickets on sale for \$50 includes steak dinner

**New group information meeting:** 2/24/25 5:30 pm

Lauren Peterson talked about her trip to Norway as an encouragement to do IFYE.

**New Business:**

**People Partner Grant:** Brooklyn Kuhr applied for a \$200 PPG to make lap quilts for Billings Clinic. She requested \$200 from Council to match the grant. The expenses for 5 quilts totaled \$675- \$275 of this was donated by Amy Ready and Jen Williams. She will also use the quilts for a State Award. Heather Arkell moved to match the grant, Amy Ready seconded, motion passed.

**Camp:** 65 Counselors and CIT's this year. They had their first meeting, Ella Dykes reported that workshop ideas and themes were discussed. Wanting to go with Oceans or a Sea Water theme. Camp is 6/16-6/20/25 this year.

**Agent Report:**

**Goals for 2025:** Met the Officer and Leader training goal, but will work on more trainings. Looking to do something for adults at Camp meetings so they don't have to go sit in their cars, possibly an adult Make it and Take it venue during members MITI.

**Club meetings:** Roni is planning on visiting club meetings throughout the year.

**Record Book Workshop:** 50 people attended-may do another during a Make it and Take it.

**MT Farmers Union:** They are offering the \$100 grants again

**4-H Now App:** is active. Yellowstone County 4-H Foundation paid \$1000 for the app

**Announcements:** Dan Robertson: Yellowstone County Invitational Shoot is on 2/15/25 8am to 4 pm

Scheels is having an archery exhibit Workshop on 2/22/25 at 10 am. Allison Williamson, former Olympic Silver Medalist will be there

Heather Arkell moved to adjourn the meeting, Naomi Cass seconded, meeting adjourned.

**Next Meeting:** April 3 2025, 6:30 pm 4-H Building, after Dept N, No meeting in March

Submitted by

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Secretary