Newell Community Club Minutes, November 21, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 6:09pm

Attendance: Denna Lindsey, Morgan Wulf, Shannon Dirk, Scott Dirk, Danelle Mutchler, Cheyenne Winkler, Rex Wulf, Austin Dirk, Bruce Gotfredson and Robert Boylan

New Business:

Discussion was held in regards to aluminum bleachers that are up for auction in Montana. Denna stated that the bleachers are the size that we are needing, however they are not raised, they are ground level. Rex stated that we could definitely use them, just move the concrete pad out as the arena is larger than normal anyway and we could then use that concrete pad as the handicap accessible which would eliminate having to purchase the wheelchair ramp. Robert agreed with Rex and stated that dirt work could be done to build up the ground so that the bleachers end up being "above" the concrete pad. Denna stated that she did call the bleacher company to ask the price of ground level bleachers and she said they are \$33,000 less than the raised bleachers. With knowing that we can make the ground level bleachers work, it was decided that we would go that route. They are \$59,000 brand new for materials and shipping with shipping being \$8900 of that. Discussion was held on what we should do for a max bid on the used ones and it was decided that we would do half of what a new one cost. Cheyenne made a motion to place a max bid of \$25,000, Denna seconded; all approved.

Discussion was also held in regards to picking up the bleachers if we get them. Robert offered to go as did Rex and they stated that it would be easy to get people to assist, that there are enough people in our community that would be willing to help. If we purchase the bleachers, we will conduct another meeting to discuss picking up the bleachers.

Discussion was also held on the tear down of our current grandstands. Previously, Collin Berry had spoken to Morgan about auctioning off our grandstands with us paying for advertising and he would donate his time. Rex stated that Collin has an auction coming up on December 5th and it might be a good idea to see if we could add them to the auction. Morgan stated she would call him to discuss.

Denna also brought a financial breakdown on each event the community club offers and the income, expense and what we clear. Labor Day and PlayDays both cleared the most and it was discussed to move some of the money to the Grandstand Fund. Denna made a motion to move \$5,000 from our general account to the Grandstand Savings Account Fund.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:06pm