

Yellowstone County Council Minutes September 5, 2025

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by Amy Ready at 6:41 pm

Pledges: Flags presented by Paul and Alexa Kuhr. Karen Robertson moved to accept the minutes; Tess Phelps seconded. Minutes accepted

Treasurer's report: Rochelle Smith reported \$86847.88 in the account as of August 29th. We are still waiting on the Camp funds from Stillwater and Carbon Counties. Cadence Sims moved to accept the treasurer's report, Sheena Stenberg seconded, treasurer's report accepted.

Cadence Sims reported about her award application, she qualified to go to Atlanta to attend National 4-H Congress over Thanksgiving, is requesting financial assistance for expenses. Lauren Peterson qualified to go in quilting, she reported via telephone. Cost is \$800 plus \$200 for spending. Sherri Antilla motioned to give them \$500 apiece, Jamie Krug seconded, motion passed.

Correspondence: Thank you card from Isabelle Brito was read and passed around

Old Business:

Family Fun Night: Will be on November 22nd this year. First information meeting is on September 23rd. Awards will start at 4:30 this year instead of 4:00 as in previous years.

National 4-H Week: What are clubs planning

People Partner Grant: Brooklyn Kuhr used the money she received from the PPG to make quilts for the Billings Clinic Infusion Center Chemotherapy patients. She had the help of many volunteers in both financial and work assistance. Jen Kuhr brought the quilts for us to see. Brooklyn was also interviewed on KTVQ.

Committees:

Dept. N: No notes (missed meeting) and most at Council were at the Dept N meeting

Dept. A:

There were some changes and improvements discussed, set a cap on out of county points for All Around and Showmanship, also discussed setting a time limit for Showmanship presentations.

Fair: be aware of Fair rule change meetings

AQA: teachers needed

Nile Ag Ed: volunteers needed October 13th, 14th and 15th from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm. Even if you can't help all the days or a whole day, reach out to Roni, she'll find a spot for you.

County Awards: Facilitators and record book checkers needed. Sunday afternoon and a Thursday evening.

Congress: Cadence Sims reported that there appeared to be over 300 participants, she gave her retiring speech. Workshops were based on Life Skills, one of the workshops that she enjoyed was titled "On my Own."

Nominating, Policy and Budgeting: Moved discussion of proposed budget to the October meeting, Policy was mostly updating for clarity, no major changes.

Fall Training: Is in Butte November $7^{th} - 9^{th}$, Stephanie Johnson reported that the Ambassador Team were Rockstars at the Fair, they were on top of everything. New team applications will come out in November the new Ambassador team will start in January 2026.

Exchange: Working on fundraising activities.

FFN: Exchange operated the food booth at FFN

Rodeo: Sold programs for the Billings Rodeo during Fair

Fair Chairman Lunches: Exchange families prepared and provided the meals during the week

New Business:

Yearly Calendar: Workshops - if you have dates please get them to the office, Event Day (Communication Contest and Showcase) tentative date April 4th, 2026. Make N Take dates needed.

Rec Lab: Will be in Columbus March $27^{th} - 29^{th}$.

Agent Report:

Volunteer Institute: October 3rd – 5th, at the Billings Hotel and Convention Center, Brenda Bromenshenk won the 4-H Alumni Award, other state award winners will be announced at the banquet on Saturday evening.

Sign up Inquiries: Encourage them to come to meetings

Cadence Sim moved to adjourn the meeting, Sheena Stenberg seconded, meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: October 2nd, 6:30 pm, no Dept N.

Submitted by

Angie Murdick

Secretary