Jefferson County 4-H Council Minutes

September 22, 2025

The September meeting of the Jefferson County 4-H Council was called to order by Vice President Braxdon Penry at 7:00pm. The flag salute was followed by the 4-H pledge.

Roll call was answered by 8 clubs. The minutes from the June meeting were read and approved.

Braxdon shared that there were Thank you notes at the back of the room for everyone to sign.

The Treasurer's report was given with an ending available balance in the checking account as \$30230.80

No reporter's report was given.

Jason Roenne, Fair board President shared general comments from the fair commending the 4-Her's on their great work during set up and clean up. He reminded the group that their meetings are the first Thursday of each month, typically over in Oskaloosa at the Extension Office.

Braxdon announced that ribbon premium checks were in the club packets, and that National 4-H Week is Oct. 5-11. Monday 10/6 is Go Green, and all members are encouraged to wear green that day. If your club is doing a project, please go online and register it for the 48hours of 4-H challenge.

Committees broke out for new business.

Committee 1 reported back with the proposed fair dates of July 27-30, 2026. They had several theme suggestions. These three were put to a vote: Lights Camera 4-H, Growing with the Green and Party on the Prairie. Party on the Prairie will be the 2026 Fair Theme. T-shirt designs will be due to the office by November 17.

Committee 2 reported back suggested date for Club day was March 7 with March 14 as a snow date. Locations of preference this year would be JCN or Valley Falls. Carnival date suggestions were February 21 with February 28 as snow date and to be held in Oskaloosa again. Carnival Prize donations from each club need to be turned into the office by Nov 1 so that raffle tickets can be completed and ready for distribution at the November Council Meeting.

Committee 3 discussed the Fall Project Fair. They chose Nov 15 for the date and had some suggestions: New Family Orientation, Photography Judging, Leatherworking, Public

Speaking, Wardrobe and Modeling, How to Show Rabbits or Poultry, Wildlife/Shooting Sports, make and take, paracord key chain, Christmas Cards.

Committee 4 discussed the meal bids for Achievement Night and selected the one from the 4-H Exchange group.

The group came back together, and the following officers were elected:

President: Aurora Hoffman Vice President: Mae McIntire Secretary: Danielle Reeves Treasurer: Hadley Houk Reporter: Morgan Casto

Announcements were handed out and the meeting was adjourned.