

## Ashe County Farmer's Market Regular Meeting

May 12, 2009

In Attendance were: Joe Stanley, Luther Krider, John Smyre, Edsel Woodie, Wilda Woodie, Jeanne Berry, Wayne Berry, Scott Walworth, Ken Pooler, Katherine Pooler, Doris Phillips, Tony Maglione, Joanna Maglione, David Baugess, John Roberts, Jr. John Roberts, Sr., Mary Roberts, Ronnie Norris, Linda Sloan, Linda Bennett

Joe Stanley called the meeting to order. Made the following announcements:

Leon Silver not doing well; in Winston-Salem for tests.

Bernard Calhoun treatment for prostate cancer.

Luther Krider and working on his disability.

David Edge, Jr. will get the dog at the end of June first of July.

Wayne Berry was called on to lead us in prayer.

Joe called for corrections on the minutes; hearing none they were approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report- Luther Krider balance around 20,000 range.

John Smyre – Market report gave a report of number of customer's and amount of money taken in at the market since we opened in April. Asked for a show of hands who would be at the Wednesday market; time is the same as the Saturday market. Luther gave John the information about the WIC program.

Education Committee – Claudine Silver is concerned about catching up and keeping the program going while she is gone this week with Leon. Need someone to help keep the program going while she is gone. Ronnie Norris said he would help. Ronnie was asked to meet Joe after the meeting to go over the notes she left.

Merchandizing Director – Jeanne Berry is working on four signs at the market but is having difficulty getting in touch with the lady that made our signs last year. Is starting to look for someone else to do the signs.

Special Events: Hollis Wild could not attend.

Doris Phillips – gave an update about the Gallery Crawl nights and what they will have. Musicians are lined up for all the dates except one; cooking will happen every Gallery Crawl. She is going on the Happy Time show on June 11<sup>th</sup> to let people know what we are doing and why. Mentioned the gospel sing; has seven churches wanting to come and sing.

Grilling: Joe talked about the grilling and what we are trying to accomplish with it.

Scott Walworth donated a table.

Luther and Wilma donated one.

Wednesday Market opens tomorrow.

Unfinished Business

Parking: to change or not? Decided to let it slide until John gets a little more experience at the job.

Town parking is a question. Joe Stanley is on the committee to represent the market while they are looking at possibly changing how people park in West Jefferson.

Christmas in July – People parking the car were harassed? Joe has come up with a solution. Joe and John will be offering a shuttle service to a parking lot that Joe has gotten for us to park in at no cost to the vendor. We have to off load our things at the market on that Saturday, once the vendor offloads then either Joe or John will take them up to the parking lot on Radio Hill and then will bring the vendor back.

Craft Jurying. Read the letter to everyone in attendance. Doris Phillips asked if she had to be juried again. Joe told her yes and why. Discussion followed about the times that crafts could be left for the Jury and when they could be picked up. No vendor will be allowed in the room while they are jurying the crafts. It was also pointed out that there was market on that day so the hours were extended so vendors who planned to set up and sell at the Wednesday market could still do that.

The jurors will be people from outside the market.

John Smyre brought up the idea that we needed signs as you come into town advertizing the market, signs that could be put up and taken down each week. Signs like the real estate signs that are in front of houses for sale. He was asked to check on how much it would cost to have those signs made.

Wilma asked about fiber day, why it was postponed. Charles Young was out of town on the weekend that they were going to have fiber day and he was the one that was scheduled to shear the sheep. Will be rescheduled.

A flyer was handed out about a livestock and horse workshop.

Motion to adjourn.

