

For Immediate Release

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## Hopper's 4-H Club News

*Derek A. Cosner, Reporter*

The Hopper's held their second yearly meeting, in person, at the Friendsville Senior Center with 13 members, 12 volunteers and one guest present. President Ava Cosner called the meeting to order and Bristol Ketterman led the American flag pledge and Jacob Vose led the 4-H pledge. Rachel Schmidt gave a program on record book do's and don'ts to refresh old members and give new members an idea of what they need to do this year to make record book keeping easier. Secretary, Julia Reckart read the minutes and a letter from local 4-H member Laura Huelscamp, who is working on her Diamond Clover Level 6 Project. Her goal is to raise money for HOSPICE, which is a great program that effects so many people in our small community. A vote was put up to donate to this cause. Amira Van Scheetz, Treasurer, had no report to give since we were unable to meet in person last month due to weather.

Darlene Schmidt and Rachel Schmidt both attended the County Council meeting and encouraged members to sign up for Public Speaking in March and reminded us Broiler Chicken Forms are due February 25, for anyone who is interested. Please complete your online enrollment, if you haven't already. Achievement Night will be held Sunday, April 3 at 2 pm, at the Ag Hall at the Fairgrounds. Spring weigh in will be May 13 from 1-8 pm and the Spring Show will be May 14. An appointment needs made with your vet before this for a health check of your animal. Any animal coming to the weigh in who is going to be in the Spring Show will be assigned a pen and stay the night at the Fairgrounds.

The Hopper's made Valentine's cards for the seniors too enjoy the next time they meet at the Senior Center. The balance of the Club t-shirts should have been paid for at the meeting and should be delivered this week. The Club discussed building a new Fair booth, what fundraiser we will have this year, and formed committees for the upcoming Rabbit Show June 11, 2022 at the Fairgrounds.

Cheyenne McClean brought her baby bottle goat for a demonstration. Cheyenne's goat, Frita, is a LaMancha Alpine cross and she told us about how she and her mom care for it. They both work very hard to make sure the baby has a great life.

Don't forget that Broiler Forms are due February 25, sign up for Public Speaking in March, Achievement Night April 3, Spring weigh in May 13, Spring Show May 14, and our next Rabbit Show June 11, 2022.

Jeremy Gordon gave the motion to adjourn and I seconded it. We hope you'll HOP HOP HOP on over to our next meeting, Sunday, March 13, 2022 at the Friendsville Senior Center at 3 pm. Don't forget that it's Daylight Savings Time that day, so don't be late!