

St. Clair County Agricultural Society | 2018

Minutes of Monday, April 9, 2018

1) ROLL CALL

Present: Linea Burch, Kristy Hardy, Jacqui Rabine, Colleen Provost, Bob Blumerich, Scott Hill, Mike Tomasek, Chris Ruemenapp, Rob Usakowski, Bob Clogg, Alan Thueme, Kent Renn, Bernie Dudek, Tom Vincent, Tim Warchuck, Kim Hetzel, Donna Wojtysiak

Excused: Lori Warchuck

Absent: Al Leone, Dan McCue.

Guests: Linda Taylor, Andrew Hanson, Kayley Rowbotham.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2) AGENDA

Request by T. Warchuck to add the grant under old business. A. Thueme requested adding still exhibits under new business. A motion was made by B. Clogg, supported by M. Tomasek to approve the agenda with the additions.

Motion carried.

3) SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made by M. Tomasek, supported by S. Hill to approve the minutes of March 12, 2018.

Motion carried.

4) TREASURER'S REPORT

Budget was modified to add the monster truck event. J. Rabine requested approval of \$28,000 to go out to Julie Law of 360 Productions. An invoice is due this month and the end of next month which includes the graphic designer. M. Tomasek will need W-9 from them.

A motion was made by T. Warchuck to approve the treasurer's report, supported by K. Renn.

Motion carried.

5) FAIR OFFICE REPORT

We are passing around the entertainment brochure for comments. Monster truck rides Tuesday and Saturday. Haflinger's will be Thursday.

6) MSU EXTENSION

Fair enrollment can now be paid for by credit card.

7) COMMITTEES

A) AWARDS

No report.

B) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

We got approval of \$23,500 grant for roofing the show arena. Mark Brochu recommended we pay \$11,500 and Parks pay \$11,500 and they bid out the roof. Suggested that we pay

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- them \$1 rent and commit to roofing the arena. We paid \$11,100 in rent last year. R. Usakowski will contact M. Brochu.
- C) CRATER
No report.
 - D) ENTERTAINMENT
Entertainment schedule is set. T-shirts for fair board members discussed, different colors for each day. Brought a book, have color selections, light-weight at \$12 for having front and back done. Melinda is not available this year for the petting farm, but Bryant Sebastian got a substitute teacher from Memphis wanting to do the job. Memphis kids would like to get involved in helping out at the fair.
 - E) FACILITIES
No report.
 - F) LIVESTOCK
Meeting next week, no report.
 - G) PERSONNEL
Farm Equipment Maneuvering superintendent needed. Scarecrow superintendent needed. Both will be publicized.
 - H) PUBLICITY
WRIF and WYCD will be broadcasting live from the fair. 6-8 p.m. for WYCD. WRIF afternoon drive, WYCD 5-7 suggested.
 - I) SPONSORSHIP
Every night now is double booked at the Crater. Clancy is giving two operators for two nights and dirt. A. Thueme to write up an estimate for value of Clancy Excavating to justify sponsorship.
 - J) SUPERINTENDENT DEVELOPMENT
No report.
 - K) SUPPORT ORGANIZATIONS
No report.
- 8) OLD BUSINESS
- a) FAIR BOOK CHANGES
Fair Book changes discussed. Discussion held taking two paragraphs out of horse rules. Will add a class for maple syrup.
- 9) NEW BUSINESS

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a) GOLF CART POLICY

D. Wojtysiak had a number of complaints about kids on golf carts. UTV's and larger vehicle being used there is no room for error, those drivers should be 21 years old. Suggest putting vests in cart and if someone under 21 is driving they need to wear a vest.

b) WALES TOWNSHIP

We received a letter approving our entertainment schedule.

c) CASTOR ROAD, WEIGHT RESTRICTION CHANGED ON THE BRIDGE, 5, 7, 14. Carnival will have to come in by M21. C. Ruemenapp will contact Skerbeck's.

d) BARREL TRAIN

The Farm Museum barrel train will run Monday, Wednesday, Friday from 6-8 p.m.

e) MINI HORSES

Need pens for them. Pens discussed.

f) DISPLAY RACKS

Donated powder coating of the panels. Need to make a rack for them. Mechanical Fab will do a rack for us for \$450. A motion was made by T. Warchuck, supported by B. Clogg to get a rack made for the still exhibit panels for \$450.00. Powder coating will be done at BCM Media Blasting.

Motion carried.

g) MONSTER TRUCK RIDES

Rides will be \$5.

h) LIBERTY RIDERS HANDICAP HORSEBACK RIDERS

K. Hetzel requested that we provide a silent auction item. The item will be at the office for pick up.

i) SPONSORS

K. Hetzel asked that we use our sponsors that support us, and maintain a preferred vendor list.

10) ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by A. Thueme, supported by B. Clogg to adjourn at 8:48 p.m.

Motion carried.

Chris Ruemenapp, Secretary