

**MONDAY, JULY 8, 2019 MINUTES**

1) ROLL CALL

Present: Alan Thueme, Rob Usakowski, Chris Ruemenapp, Nathan Havens, Bernie Dudek, Tom Vincent, Bob Clogg, Scott Hill, Mike Tomasek, Colleen Provost, Jacqui Rabine, Kristy Hardy, Kim Hetzel, Linea Burch, Liz Pennazoli, Donna Wojtysiak, Lori Warchuck.

Guests: Lori Clogg, Matt Robertson, Kayley Rowbotham, Megan Tomasek, Brad Brenske, Gayle Rowbotham, Linda Taylor, Mark Pederson.

Excused: Dan McCue, Kent Renn, Tim Warchuck.

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

2) AGENDA

Request to add under new business late entries, use of credit cards for vendors, fair passes for special needs group. A motion was made by J. Rabine, supported by B. Dudek to approve the agenda with those additions.

Motion carried.

3) HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Brad Brenske inquired how many gray water hook ups there will be. They're grading the main drive tomorrow, chloride on Thursday & Friday. Camping policy was sent out to us, and the only change is added area and picnic meadow.

VIP Tents 20x30. Grace is 40x40, Parks recommending a new sign on Lapeer, message sign.

Jym Peck, he's running for the Bologna King, to run a 50/50 goes back to the community. Requesting to run that at the fair.

John from BMX is here, grand opening race on the 19<sup>th</sup>. They will pay for the parking, would like us to save the grass strip and any over parking will park in Propbusters. Start from 4:00 taking applications until 7:00 and race around 7:30-8:00. 6 passes to let them in to be given to them.

Mark Pederson: Ready for next week, dirt coming in. Racing and freestyle for Mega trucks, 15 trucks participating. 12 cars and 2 vans coming. Mark will be here Mon-Wed night. Will use 8200 Lapeer Road, Avoca 48006 as address to come in.

4) SECRETARY'S REPORT

No report.

5) TREASURER'S REPORT

Page two is related to the electrical project, pay outs to all the people who helped by running cable for the lights. A motion was made by C. Ruemenapp, supported by B. Clogg to approve the payments and treasurer's report.

Motion carried.

6) FAIR OFFICE REPORT

L. Burch has a list of those who turned in late entries. A list to be distributed to superintendents. Addyline Doughty, Chloe Jordan, Skyler Toncovich, McKenna Ferguson, Leah Scott. Request to purchase a pass for Palozolo whose pass was lost in the mail for \$50, which will be allowed.

7) MSU EXTENSION

Lake to Table workshop will be held in August. Shooting sports went well. There were 44 total shooters on Saturday, 52 archers on Sunday. Archery shoot moved from grove to the other side, only issue long way to the bathroom. We maintain a balance for the rental on the pavilion which was not used due to Parks scheduling a horse show in that area that conflicted with our event.

8) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A) AG EDUCATION

Trading cards are done, people in place, shooting trailer struggling manning it. If committee can't get two days it might not come, need certified 4-H leaders and hunter safety people. Ag on the Move is covered for staffing.

B) AWARDS

Trophies were received, awards ready.

C) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Gary Bertossi came out and did dozing and bringing grading equipment out and leaving it for the week and will be helping out again. Picking up the barriers for \$8000. Trucking donated by Casco Heavy Haul and hauling road grader in. Old blocks we're going to sell some of them, not going to use 85 blocks.

D) CRATER

We have signs for the Crater that nothing can be left on the hill from evening to 6 a.m.

E) ENTERTAINMENT

D. Wojtysiak has volunteers that she needs.

F) FACILITIES

No report.

G) LIVESTOCK

No report.

- H) PERSONNEL  
No report.
  - I) PUBLICITY  
Radio ads are running, stated drag racing.
  - J) SPONSORSHIP  
No report.
- 9) OLD BUSINESS
- A) 2020 FAIR DATES  
A motion was made by C. Ruemenapp, supported by K. Hetzel to change the 2020 fair dates to July 20-25 at the request of Skerbeck Family Carnival for their routing. Will sign an addendum to our contract at the fair.  
Motion carried.
- 10) NEW BUSINESS
- A) BLEACHERS  
A vendor has stadium seats. We can look at them this year for possible usage in 2020. May need them due to not having all the bleachers available for our dates in 2020.
  - B) SUPPORT ORGANIZATION  
The Marine City band director will come and work with the support organization putting up fencing on Thursday if we make a donation. A motion was made by A. Thueme, supported by L. Pennazoli to donate \$100 to the band director.  
Motion carried.
  - C) FAIR PASSES  
Request for fair passes for the special needs group. Karen Carrier has a group of people on limited income. Requesting 7 carload passes. A motion was made by C. Ruemenapp to give them the passes, supported by B. Clogg.  
Motion carried.
- 11) RECESS  
Meeting recessed at 8:40 p.m. until Monday, July 15, 2019.

**MONDAY, JULY 15, 2019 MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Present: C. Ruemenapp, C. Provost, B. Clogg, T. Vincent, Matt Liebetreu, N. Havens, K. Renn, L. Pennazoli, B. Dudek, J. Rabine, L. Burch, S. Hill, Brad Brenske.

#### HORSE

Horse down this morning and they would like to make a switch. Krause Veterinary is emailing a note. As long as we can get health required information for the horse and there's no show advantage they can switch the horse.

#### SAFETY

Everyone to take a look at areas you're responsible for so we don't have safety issues. No parking around operations area.

#### GARBAGE

Normally garbage cans in camping area? North, could use more. Always use more garbage cans.

#### KEYS

Requesting another key to this building, so the same person doesn't have to close and open.

#### EQUIPMENT

M. Liebetreu requesting LED lights for the horse barns. Need more picnic tables. B. Brenske bringing about 6 more from the light station. Request to trim a tree for a vendor for sign to be seen and we're not trimming trees to put vendors underneath.

#### SMOKING

Park policy is no smoking including e-cigarettes. It's not Fair Board policy to police.

#### CAMPING

Camping last night with a 5 year old got left in the camper by himself. Mom offsite and brother was supposed to be watching him, said he went to bathroom. Club leader had the child and don't think the mom came back, she came back here this morning. C. Ruemenapp will talk to her to ensure this doesn't happen again and that she has an adult responsible for her children if she's offsite, because that's part of the rules of camping.

Recessed to Tuesday, July 16, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

### **TUESDAY, JULY 16, 2019 MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Present: Scott Hill, Colleen Provost, Jacqui Rabine, Rob Usakowski, Bob Clogg, Liz Pennazoli, Alan Thueme, Mike Tomasek, Bernie Dudek, Nate Havens, Kent Renn, Matt Liebetreu, Donna Wojtysiak, Linea Burch, Chris Ruemenapp.

HORSE

Horse issue from yesterday, the horse received a clean bill of health and horse in stall and good to go.

SMOKING

Request as to how far we are required to go in enforcing the county's smoking policy. Decision that we don't get into a fight, give them awareness. Their policy is no smoking, including e-cigarettes.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Health Department went through on Monday and made sure everyone was in compliance. Not many hooked up to gray water. Gas can in the back removed from the building.

ENTERTAINMENT

Going to run Monster Truck show even if it's raining, closing west gate and then east gate.

Recess to Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 17, 2019 MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Present: Matt Liebetreu, Mike Tomasek, Jacqui Rabine, Rob Usakowski, Tim Warchuck, Donna Wojtysiak, Tim Warchuck, Tom Vincent, Alan Thueme, Kent Renn, Rick Ruemenapp, Nate Havens, Scott Hill, Linea Lewis, Chris Ruemenapp, Kim Hetzel.

SPONSORSHIP LOG

Logs for passes and Fair Bucks were due on Saturday, July 13. Treasurer hasn't received one from K. Hetzel for sponsorships, as well as no money has been turned in for many of the sponsors that are currently at the fair. No money received from K. Hetzel since May. No sponsorship contracts turned in. Inquiry whether there is a contract for Grace Performance and if it would include the use of their equipment, which is contrary to what board has decided in the past. K. Hetzel came late to meeting and indicated she has her logs at her camper and would turn in her logs for passes and Fair Bucks this afternoon.

Board members cannot accept things from vendors and are again cautioned about that, and that includes use of golf carts, ATV's, whatever equipment. They can donate stuff to fair board, for the

benefit the group as a whole, but cannot accept things for personal use. This brings scrutiny on the person doing this and discredits the board.

#### CLEANING

There was a heating element replaced in the lower restroom. Parks & Recreation used 19 passes. Requested they not clean the community building until 8:00 p.m. instead of 7:00 so people who purchase their meal at 7:00 p.m. are allowed to eat it without being asked to leave the community building immediately after purchasing their meal. Breaker in Quonset Hut needed to be replaced.

#### VENDORS

Kona ice not open last night. Rainy and colder, they were allowed to close. Lounie's Soap not open this morning.

#### TRAMS

Complaint the blue Ford tractor comes out of the parking lot he's not stopping at the intersection and almost hit kids. If someone is in the way he throws up his hands and today he has a kid on his lap. We will talk to him.

#### GRAY WATER

Gray carnival water being dumped in the field, not sure if it's an issue we can solve this year due to moving the carnival camping out into a field at the last minute.

#### SCALE

Question arose again about the livestock scale. They were certified on Friday and we have the certificate of certification and it covers all factors in which we use the scales.

#### GATES/ADMISSION PASSES

We had Dalton Thorner use a copied pass to enter the fair and the gate worker identified it and he was confronted and required to pay for the pass, and today his father blew through the gate.

#### PRESENTATION PARADE

Horse presentation parade is Friday at 2:00 in the Show Arena. Any project have someone aging out, walk around the arena, other projects can participate.

#### AG EDUCATION

The field trip was wonderful and went very well.

Recessed to Friday, July 19, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

**FRIDAY, JULY 19, 2019 MINUTES**

Meeting called to order at 12:00 p.m.

Present: Jacqui Rabine, Linea Burch, Liz Pennazoli, Tom Vincent, Alan Thueme, Mike Tomasek, Matt Liebetreu, Nate Havens, Bob Clogg, Scott Hill, Jacqui Rabine, Kent Renn, Chris Ruemenapp.

RED TAG IN SWINE

There was a red tag issue in the swine project. Shane Tesluck addressed an issue at 9:30 and this morning very early all red tags were back on the pens again. Concern why was the pens red tagged again, was it somebody playing a joke, nobody here to answer that as far as superintendents. Don't know if any of them are coming to the meeting today. Took a look at red tag policy, throughout day exhibitors are to check on their livestock with a final check at 7 p.m. Pens were red tagged at 9:30 p.m., already have exhibitors that had left for the day with no way to get those pens cleaned. Building closes at 11:00 p.m. Policy can only be implemented in the morning which allowed exhibitors to correct the problem, not in the p.m. hours. There will be an informal meeting to explain that to the parents/exhibitors.

Alan Thueme stated most of the issues were not enough wood shavings in the pen and pens were on the wet side, but with that extreme heat and pushing wood shavings aside to get the cool cement. R. Usakowski will address that with the superintendents, not the way to handle a red tag policy.

Carolyn Richards stated the superintendents when asked were not very approachable, bitchy, and didn't explain why, and then wouldn't come in and inspect the pens. People were screaming at the people, with the younger superintendents. Jenny Fox checked the pen and there was nothing wrong. Superintendents present at that time were Gabrielle Romero, Kayley Rowbotham and Bernie Dudek.

Matt Liebetreu stated it is hot in the barn and pigs are panting, can exhibitors make exception for pouring water on them. Walking them to the wash rack stressing them out by moving them. People want to wet pens down and it makes the pigs hotter, need to keep fans moving over top of the pigs. 6 fans in the barn.

FACILITIES

Brad Brenske tried to correct air deficiency here in the office. Called Superior Heating & Cooling. Farm Museum has a water issue, reservoir gets low and there will be lags in water.

SWEEPSTAKES SHOWMANSHIP

Leaving it up to superintendent to choose to bring animals or not. If they bring animal, the animal has to stay the whole time so that it's fair for all the exhibitors.

Recess to Saturday, July 21, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

**SATURDAY, JULY 21, 2019 MINUTES**

Secretary not present, recorder that was turned on prior to the meeting got turned off at the beginning of the meeting. There are no minutes for this meeting. Adjourned at the conclusion of the meeting held at 12:00 p.m. on this date.

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Chris Ruemenapp, Secretary



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