

ST. CLAIR COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Minutes of July 12, and July 19-23, 2021 – Goodells County Park
MINUTES OF JULY 12, 2021

1) ROLL CALL

Present: Rob Usakowski, Donna Wojtysiak, Chris Ruemenapp, Linda Taylor, Bob Clogg, Lori Warchuck, Mark Pedersen, Colleen Provost, Tim Warchuck, Scott Hill, Tom Vincent, Alan Thueme, Mike Tomasek, Linea Burch, Liz Pennazoli, Jacqui Rabine, Bernie Dudek, Kim Hetzel.

Excused: Kent Renn.

Absent: Nate Havens

Guests: Megan Tomasek, Kristy Hardy, Connie Murray, Mary Ruemenapp, Rick Ruemenapp, Brad Brenske, Lori Clogg, Greg VanCamp, Andrew Hansen.

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

2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A request to add outside horses on Friday under New Business. Request to add gate workers for 2022 under New Business. Request to add Shooting Sports under New Business. A motion was made by B. Clogg, supported by T. Warchuck to approve the agenda with the additions.

Motion carried.

3) HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Civil Air Patrol requesting a golf cart and a radio. Tom Stickley has donated buckets.

Brad Brenske reported chloride was put down. He is running 4 crews and anticipating a bigger turnout. Need to look at passes for Parks employees, they have 24 staff in and out during fair. Starting to move stuff into Quonset hut. Need to get us keys for everything.

Ray Long is ready, looking for drivers.

Greg VanCamp and Tom forgot to register their children for the fair. Requesting a waiver on the board's policy that they don't receive premiums and not eligible for grand or reserve champion. Discussion held, including swine superintendent's request not to waive the policy. Concern that we have the same families repeating this. A motion was made by C. Provost, supported by L. Pennazoli to maintain the policy as in past years, exhibitors who do not register on time will not be eligible for grand or reserve champion and no premiums paid.

Motion carried, two opposed.

Cheryl Thuma, co-supt. of mini horses reported there are 14 minis and typically set up in the old pavilion. But this year knowing the Quonset Hut is not being used, thought minis to be shown in there. Have more room for kids to keep supplies and tack. Share the building with storage area. Closer to the rings. Mini horses in the east side with the 2 doors.

4) SECRETARY'S REPORT – No report.

5) TREASURER'S REPORT

Sent Monday. Looks good because big expenditures were paid last year. Presale are up, camping is down. If you need a check before now and Thursday, must have the form request

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now so I can write it here. A motion was made by T. Warchuck, supported by S. Hill to approve the treasurer's report for June and July.

Motion carried.

- 6) FAIR OFFICE REPORT – No report.
- 7) MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION
Clubs can now meet with no restrictions as of July 1. MSU Staff in office by September and working on day camp and programming.
- 8) COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - a) AG EDUCATION
Ag on the move Trailer and trading cards will be at the fair. May have the blow up shooting sports display.
 - b) AWARDS – No report.
 - c) AUDIT – No report.
 - d) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS – No report.
 - e) CRATER
Shane from the rodeo had a heart attack and doing good, planning to come out and kids running the show. Monster Truck show will have 8 full size trucks. New announcer booth is done with stairs. Cattle panel will cost about \$500, and cost of \$800-\$900 to fence the whole thing. A motion was made by A. Thueme, supported by L. Pennazoli to purchase 40 panels.
Motion carried.
 - f) ENTERTAINMENT
Petting farm will be different, smaller. Tents coming Wednesday, early morning. Workers are going to sign by the tent, spinners towards the campground side. Trailer there for storage. Need painted turtles for the petting farm. Beach sand for the sandboxes. Active Tree bringing trees for chainsaw guy.
 - g) FACILITIES – No report.
 - h) HANDICAPABLE DAY – No report.
 - i) LIVESTOCK – No report
 - j) PARKS AND RECREATION
Bumper blocks are being borrowed. Interior park to be closed to vehicular traffic.
 - k) PERSONNEL – No report.
 - l) PUBLICITY
Signs to be distributed tonight. Facebook posts are scheduled. Radio ads are running.
 - m) SPONSORSHIP
\$68,600 in sponsors between cash and inkind services, 26% give back. In good shape for the fair.
 - n) STILL EXHIBITS
May need assistance on Friday night checking in projects 4-8 and had 6-10 supt. say they won't be here. Sunday supt. not heard a single word from. Don't show up on Sunday, anyone willing to judge? Lori Clogg will help.

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9) OLD BUSINESS

a) SOUND

Tom Vincent called Mike and his son is working that week, going to call me again. I can reach out to someone if we need additional support. We paid \$595 in 2019.

b) PLACEMENT OF PROJECTS

Discussion held where projects will be. Dairy will be in show arena. All sheep in sheep barn, all hogs in swine barn, goats in tent.

c) HORSE RIDE

Horse project is doing a final ride for aging out kids, possibility open up to kids aged out in 2019. Bring in 4-5 outside horses sometime late Fri afternoon.

10) NEW BUSINESS

a) GATE WORKERS FOR 2022

Diane from South Park Lions facilitating north gate, struggled to get enough South Park Lions to work, membership growing experienced and partnered with Harbor Impact Ministries to help run their gate, consider moving to them to next year.

b) SHOOTING SPORTS

L. Warchuck requesting to use ShoWorks to register kids for shooting sports. Working on 2 sections of that, mail in, rifle, muzzleloading, trap, and archery, BB, air rifle live fire, all at Goodells.

11) ADJOURNMENT/RECESS

Meeting recessed at 8:26 p.m. to Monday, July 19 at noon.

MONDAY, JULY 19 – 2:00 p.m.

UNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
MINUTES OF MONDAY, JULY 19, 2021

Present: Chris Ruemenapp, Mark Pedersen, Mike Tomasek, Alan Thueme, Bernie Dudek, Brad Brenske, Kent Renn, Linda Taylor, Scott Hill, Jacqui Rabine, Linea Burch, Tom Vincent, Matt Liebetreu, Kim Hetzel, Bob Clogg, Colleen Provost, Tim Warchuck, Donna Wojtysiak, Liz Pennazoli, Ray Long,

Brad Brenske said they are keeping ahead of things, snafu with sound. If using cordless mic have to stand in the right spot. Vehicles stay off vender row.

Electrical, can we purchase more cable protectors. Covering walkways. 12 want to be purchased, \$256 each. A motion was made by T. Warchuck, supported by T. Vincent to purchase 12 cable protectors.

Motion carried.

BMX practicing tonight.

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TUESDAY, JULY 20, 2021

No minutes

WEDNESDAY, JULY 21, 2021

Present: Brad Brenske, Megan Tomasek, Linda Taylor, Colleen Provost, Lori Warchuck, Rob Usakowski, Chris Ruemenapp, Mike Tomasek, Scott Hill, Kent Renn, Jacqui Rabine, Donna Wojtysiak, Liz Pennazoli, Bob Clogg, Kim Hetzel, Tom Vincent, Alan Thueme, Tim Warchuck, Bernie Dudek, Linea Burch

Brad Brenske: Have had a lot of compliments on the cleaning crew, please bring them back.

Car show can be set up around historic village.

Dumpster, working at keeping them empty, his stickers are on our cans here and Columbus. Cannot put his stickers on park property.

Courtesy carts available, should be in program. Need headlights for all carts in 2022

Golf carts, adults only. Anyone driving a cart must be aged out of 4-H. This is not new, but has to be reiterated each year for directors who forget.

FRIDAY, JULY 23, 2021

Present: Nancy Wizner, Brad Brenske, Jacqui Rabine, Scott Hill, Linda Taylor, Bernie Dudek, Lori Warchuck, Colleen Provost, Tom Vincent, Kent Renn, Alan Thueme, Chris Ruemenapp, Liz Pennazoli, Tim Warchuck, Linea Burch, Mike Tomasek, Bob Clogg, Donna Wojtysiak.

Sale yesterday was \$291,000 and successful with unusually high prices.

Classic cars tomorrow. Talked to parks about swale and putting in entrance from M21. 11:30 at carousel tomorrow morning for a Fair Board picture. Wear Fair Board shirt. Cornhole will be on septic field, also known as Crater walkway.

2 metal crates full of shelving, would like to dispose of them. Will dispose 2 of 4 crates of shelves. A motion was made by A. Thueme, supported by C. Ruemenapp to dispose of them.

Motion carried.

SATURDAY, JULY 24, 2021

No minutes

Chris Ruemenapp, Secretary