MONDAY, JULY 11, 2022 – Goodells County Park

1) ROLL CALL

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

Guests: Darel Williamson, Kristy Hardy, Megan Tomasek, Bob Podgorski, Tom Stickley, Ray Long.

Meeting called to order at 7:01 p.m.

2) AGENDA

A request to add homeland security. A motion was made by B. Clogg, supported by S. Hill to approve the agenda with the addition. Motion carried.

3) HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

There is a request to allow a golf cart for a visitor for medical reasons. As our policy, visitors can bring medical grade approved motorized vehicles. There is a handicap cart available during open hours of the fair via telephone.

Darel Williamson from Parks and Recreation indicated they are short staffed, gave us his phone number.

Tom Stickley from Civil Air Patrol has a limited supply of buckets with handles.

4) SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made by R. Ruemenapp, supported by S. Hill approving the June minutes. Motion carried.

5) TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by C. Ruemenapp, supported by A. Thueme to add Colleen Provost as a co-treasurer.

Motion carried.

First Impressions needs fair bucks and passes to allow their researchers into the fair. Andy Northrup will be coming to evaluate the fair with his researchers, and will supply a report to us after the fair.

- FAIR OFFICE REPORT They are unpacking the office.
- 7) MSU EXTENSION

Kirsten Dryer is now working in the office part time. Our county is #1 in the state for retention of 4-H members during Covid. The 4-H Council trailer will be at the fair.

8) COMMITTEE REPORTS

- AG EDUCATION
 All events scheduled will be present except sheep herding.
- B) AWARDS No report.
- C) AUDIT No report.
- CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS
 We will send Cook Drainage a pass so he can come and see where cars park.

E) CRATER

We have more blocks available at \$100 each. Clancey Will haul them. Ninth monster truck added.

- F) PARKS AND RECREATION No report.
- G) ENTERTAINMENT
 Car show needs someone to organize and run it. About 8:00-9:30. Mark Taylor will do that.
- H) FACILITIES No report.
- HANDICAPABLE DAY Need two more volunteers for Wednesday morning.
- J) LIVESTOCK
 They will be charging \$2 a tag for all state-issued tags not in ears.
- K) PUBLICITY No report
- L) SPONSORSHIP No report.
- M) STILL EXHIBITS No report.
- 9) OLD BUSINESS None.
- 10) NEW BUSINESS
 - A) HOMELAND SECURITY

They will be here tomorrow at 11 a.m. to do a review of the park. K. Hetzel and T. Warchuck will be present. We will give them a gift card for coming.

- B) PHOTO FOR PUBLICTY THANK YOU
 We will do our annual photo in the splash pad this year.
- 11) ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was continued to Monday, July 18th at noon.

MONDAY, JULY 18, 2022 – Goodells County Park

Present: Rob Usakowski, Tom Vincent, Jacqui Rabine, Bob Podjorski, Linda Taylor, Kim Hetzel, Rob Usakowski, Chris Ruemenapp, Colleen Provost, Bernie Dudek, Scott Hill, Mike Tomasek, Mark Pederson, Rick Ruemenapp, Kent Renn, Tim Warchuck, Darel Williamson.

Need to measure out where tents go from a reference point this year for 2023. Had to bring skid steer to move tent so it wasn't possible to move the Clydesdale's. Walk areas for safety, look around and don't want accidents with climbing on gates. Plug carts in various locations versus Community Building.

Had to send a veal calf home yesterday. 1st year 4-Her come with a veal with lump on side of neck, thyroid related, borderline reportable to state. Only way to be 100% sure is biopsy and it's a complicated test and 2 weeks for results. Calf should not have come to fair with a growth of that side on its neck so it was sent home. Most likely it's terminal for the calf. Leaders got involved thinking they know better, big scenario, and breeder called Rob. Calf left last night. Child has option to show showmanship with another calf.

Stacy offered that exhibitor to ride on the Clydesdale's each night.

Tues, Thurs and Sat using air field for BMX.

Kim, Mark and Tim met with DHS. Talk to local police and ask over last 5 years people watching consider a risk, car rammer, active shooter, etc.

TUESDAY, JULY 19, 2022

Present: Darel Williamson, Liz Pennazoli, Colleen Provost, Bob Podjorski. Linda Taylor, Tom Vincent, Kent Renn, Rick Ruemenapp, Chris Ruemenapp, Rob Usakowski, Mike Tomasek, Donna Wojtysiak, Linea Burch, Scott Hill, Jacqui Rabine, Colleen Provost.

Traffic discussed, Port Huron Football doing a nice job.

Cannot lunge in ring 1. Things are going very well, good weather, good gate receipts.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2022

Present: Bob Clogg, Alan Thueme, Rob Usakowski, Tom Vincent, Liz Pennazoli, Rick Ruemenapp, Kent Renn, Darel Williamson, Tim Warchuck, Scott Hill, Linea Burch, Colleen Provost, Donna Wojtysiak, Bob Podjorski, Mike Tomasek, Bernie Dudek, Jacqui Rabine.

Going to work on a vendor map, map of carnival. Things are going well. Sawmill to open tomorrow. Gates are good, weather is good. No meeting tomorrow.

FRIDAY, JULY 22, 2022

Present: Rick Ruemenapp, Bernie Dudek, Tim Warchuck, Scott Hill, Rob Usakowski, Jacqui Rabine, Kent Renn, Mike Tomasek, Colleen Provost, Chris Ruemenapp, Lori Warchuck, Mark Pedersen, Alan Thueme, Darel Williamson, Linda Taylor, Tom Vincent, Bob Clogg, Liz Pennazoli, Kim Hetzel.

Livestock Sale: \$460,000. The resales added to length of sale the resales. Less animals from 2019, manageable. Done at 9:00. Great sale.

Attendance, gate was \$44,000.

Bob Blumerich: Issue with grooming of animals on Wednesday. Carrie Brown was asked not to assist her 17 year old brother groom his steer. She was doing the grooming, he was watching. Mike Brown is an experienced showman and should be doing 100% of his grooming. Bob Blumerich asked her not to assist him and she became belligerent and disrespectful. Mike Brown does nothing with his animal, Carrie does it all. Encouraged Loren Brown to have Mike do it. Carrie did the clipping and grooming. Carrie stated you've been picking on my family for years. She hasn't been treated any differently than others. Videotaping happening. Had problems with people in the past with this, with professional groomers. Fair Board will send a letter to Carrie Brown and not allow her in the grooming area in the future, nor the judging area. Carrie Brown is not a 4-H leader. Bob Blumerich requested that it be extended to the show area, but it will be in the show make up ring and grooming area.

Talked with 2 people working with Richmond EMS about why they don't respond. If there are emergencies dial 911. Missing children, use of central dispatch, we will need to develop a plan on where ambulances go inside the park.

Liz: Alan has a break in kit, need a couple more for the fair. A child locked in the car and 2 people broke in and the Sheriff said they couldn't do it. Give them the option to use the break in kit. Jumper cables, parking assistance kit, etc. would be helpful at the fair.

Bob has 2 t-post pullers, need some new measuring wheels.

Rash of petitioners here at the fair. We had one that parked himself on Co. Park Road. Sheriff's Dept. said first amendment right to petition. Private event, requiring someone to get a vendor space. C. Ruemenapp was advised by John Adair years ago that this is a private event, everyone attending is our guest and we have a right to ask anyone to leave.

\$500 to be paid for both workers at petting farm.

Bleachers- Need another set of bleachers, Mike brought them, rent or buy, \$150 a day or buy the set for \$700. Store at Mark's place in the winter. A motion was made by C. Provost, supported by L. Pennazoli to purchase the small set of bleachers for \$700 from Matt Liebetreau. Motion carried.

Need to address internet for the fair after fair. We have used the county hot spots.

SATURDAY, JULY 23, 2022 – BY ROB USAKOWSKI

ST. CLAIR COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Present: Alan Thueme, Mark Pedersen, Tim Warchuck, Tom Vincent, Rob Usakowski, Kent Renn, Mike Tomasek, Linda Taylor, Darel Williamson, Kim Hetzel.

There will be not be adequate park staff until 4 p.m., only two shift members until 4 p.m.

Tim said we can use our loader to assist them in garbage pickup in the meantime.

Last night's gate was over \$50,000. Sawmill went well with 2 shows today. Draft horse pull was full, well attended. 76 cars in the derby last night, plus powerwheels. Sold \$2703 in pit passes. Some of the vendors are not liking the 4 p.m. start time on the entertainment.

Need road closed signs for Castor Road, also need lot closed signs.

Campers can leave anytime.

Ben Risney ends at 7 p.m. and will need help with the carts and moving carvings.

A motion was made by T. Warchuck, supported by M. Pedersen to adjourn this meeting of July. Motion carried.

Chris Ruemenapp, Secretary