

Minutes of Monday, April 11, 2022 – Goodells County Park

1) ROLL CALL

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

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

2) AGENDA

A motion was made by M. Tomasek, supported by S. Hill to approve the agenda as submitted.  
Motion carried.

3) HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Tom Stickley from Civil Air Patrol attended the meeting, they are still on schedule to help at the fair, just looking for any updates.

4) SECRETARY'S REPORT

A motion was made by A. Thueme, supported by R. Ruemenapp to approve the secretary's report of Monday, March 14, 2022.  
Motion carried.

5) TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by A. Thueme supported by R. Ruemenapp to approve the treasurer's report.  
Motion carried.

6) FAIR OFFICE REPORT

The entertainment brochure is being passed around. In 2021 we printed 25,000, but the cost has went up for 2022. A motion was made by R. Ruemenapp, supported by M. Tomasek to print 25,000 brochures.  
Motion carried.

7) MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY EXTENSION

The 4-H office has been doing many workshops that have been well attended, such as dogs, flower arranging, swine, ruminant dissection, cake decorating and photography. Lowest registration has been in horses with a few workshops canceled. Concern over club participation in the open house. Membership is 224 leaders, 510 regular club members and 69 clover sprouts with 803 in the program. Not as good as prior to Covid, but getting better. Lori Brockdorff on medical with her knee, no return date and Lori Warchuck on FMLA for Tues. and Thursday not in office til 1:00 and then until 9:30 the rest of the week. Val Fusse is busy with Earth Fair. SCC Community Foundation has grants for educational workshops. Capac reached out to L. Taylor for some educational programming. Embryology in the classroom and library club. Working on 4-H camp and dog events.

8) COMMITTEE REPORTS

A) AG EDUCATION

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Linda Taylor has been working hard to try to get a Native American presentation. A tribe from the Midland area has gotten approval to do off-site presentations. We can tailor it if we need to, 11-1 arrive and includes mileage and coming from Midland, arrive at 11 a.m. and bringing hands-on craft, necklace that we could charge for if we wanted. They will be bringing 100 of those at \$1 a piece. Their presentation will have an environmental meaning. Song and dance presentation over an hour, 6 different dances. Set up will be by Visitors' Center. This is about Indian tradition and cultural. They will be getting dressed in Visitors' Center, men and woman's in traditional dance attire. There will be a feather dancer and shawl dance, hand drums and for an additional \$200 they will do a pow wow, hand drums. Story teller with their mic system talking about what this is, tradition and reasons behind it, talking about the story teller and he's the MC. Mileage and attendance is \$1667.50 and different options and packages. Hasn't been in the county in many years. Will be Wednesday the 20<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m. to do the craft. A motion was made by C. Ruemenapp, supported by S. Hill to do their entire event, including the \$200 additional pow wow and hand drums.

Motion carried.

B) AWARDS

B. Dudek is putting together an order from Hodges Badge.

C) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Grant was submitted for the north parking lot. Larry Cook gave an estimate for tile and power box behind the building. They will have to hand dig around areas and runs on an angle and running tile dig under it. His bid was \$21,000 40' and 30' runs another \$3800. If the grant is awarded he won't do it until after fair.

D) CRATER – No report.

E) ENTERTAINMENT

Sawmill hours discussed. The plan is to have the carnival camp east of the rabbit barn. This is a new area, but the area north of that did not work for them in 2019.

F) FACILITIES – No report.

G) HANDICAPABLE DAY

Megan Tomasek has sent the information to the schools and she will know for sure if Woodland is coming in the next week or two and see how much more we can add this year, and planning to add hands on things for 2023.

H) LIVESTOCK

Discovery Day is May 7<sup>th</sup>. Discussion about letting Council use the livestock scales for this year instead of purchasing one to see how it works. Tag manufacturers are running 10-16 weeks behind on ID tags. We will be accommodating photos and sale bill for silent auction animals also, poultry included. Looking forward to May 7<sup>th</sup> and getting a handle where we're at as far as livestock numbers.

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I) PARKS AND RECREATION – No report.

J) PERSONNEL

Still desperately looking for a parking lot superintendent. We also need a performing arts superintendent.

K) PUBLICITY

Committee getting ready to order 250 yard signs and planning to do bus wraps. Pens are being ordered for 2023 to hand out for 2022 fair. Fair has purchased a service to help in putting videos together for social media.

L) SPONSORSHIP

L. Pennazoli and L. Taylor are putting together a list of past sponsors in order to make contact. Still have crater sponsor opportunities for Monday, Wednesday and Thursday nights for the VIP tent. At this point those sponsors wouldn't be in the entertainment brochure so the cost of that sponsorship will be discounted. K.Hetzel has someone interested in a tent. Grace Performance is interested in bringing machines out here. Greenwood Vet is angry and doesn't like that no one comes in and talks to them. C. Ruemenapp made contact with her office about the Clydesdale's and vet services, but not about sponsorships. B. Dudek offered to get ahold of state vet and let them know and they said they would help us with obtaining vet services if needed. B. Clogg will go talk to Stacy Schramm tomorrow.

Will be putting together baskets to donate to sponsors and/or organizations that are doing fundraisers to support other organizations, sponsors and yet us additional publicity.

M) STILL EXHIBITS – No report.

9) OLD BUSINESS

A) TICKETING – No report.

B) DOGS

Superintendents at an impasse as to what events to hold at the fair. They are rebuilding the department. They are meeting this week to discuss further. A motion was made by R. Ruemenapp, supported by K. Hetzel that the fair will only sponsor an event held in conjunction with the fair, not one held weeks prior to the fair.

Motion carried.

C) SAWMILL HOURS

The sawmill will be open Thursday 5:30-7:30, Friday 5:30-7:30 and Saturday 12:00-2:00 and 4:00 to 6:00.

10) NEW BUSINESS

A) INTERNET

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R. Ruemenapp talked to the local internet provider and they can do that by putting in cable to the building and then use of antenna to other locations. Cost would be \$70 monthly which would likely be our bill with \$120 one-time installation fee. We would need to buy a modem. A motion was made by C. Ruemenapp, supported by M. Tomasek to contact the county and get permission to do that, and install internet into the community building.

Motion carried.

11) ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by A. Thueme, supported by S. Hill to adjourn at 8:10 p.m.

Motion carried.

Chris Ruemenapp, Secretary