



# LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

## DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

September 3, 2015

<i>Richard Parker</i>	<i>Michelle Byram</i>	<i>Cindy Wood</i>
<i>Paul</i>	<i>Bob</i>	<i>Robert Reynolds</i>
<i>Sam Taylor</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>And</i>	
<i>G. Adams</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	
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Caretaker: *David Coffey* Concessions: \_\_\_\_\_

Auxiliary: \_\_\_\_\_ 4-H Extension Rep: \_\_\_\_\_

### Minutes: September 3, 2015

President Richard Parker called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**VISITORS:** Sam Taylor from Perry, Royce Gregory from Painesville and Jeremy Hejduk from Madison each attended the meeting to introduce themselves as they each plan to run for as a Fair Board Director for the available Township or At-Large position.

**4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE:** Lisa Siciliano-Miller reported that the FCF booth usually makes 20% of their budget during fair. They don't think they even made half of what they usually make this year. The Livestock sale was good. Lisa had a 4-H issue and wanted to know if she should report this to the Fair Board. Jerry Merhar stated that 4-H issues should be left to 4-H to handle. The Fair Board will support 4-H with their issues.

**MINUTES:** Georgianne Adams made a motion to approve the minutes. Joe Slansky seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS:** Michelle Byram reported that there are no financials to report.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Michelle Byram reported that a thank you was received from someone that attended the Craig Wayne Boyd concert. Two complaints were received regarding the truck pulls and how loud they were still at 11:00 at night. A thank you was received from Shannon Platt for being awarded the Arthur F. Warren scholarship.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Richard Parker reported that membership tickets are still available. Dick also reported that he believes this is the first time that all three county commissioners have memberships, thanks to Jerry Merhar and himself working on them.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Fair Summary – Bob Dawson reported the preliminary revenue. The completed analysis will be available for the October meeting. Bob suggested that the Fair Board take a serious look at a five day fair. The horse show ring and grandstand was dark for an evening and this is not good for the fair. Attendance was down during the week with a strong weekend. School being in session hurt the first half of the week. Discussion was had on how much of the expenses would be saved by eliminating a day. Discussion was also had about the advantages and disadvantages of opening the buildings earlier in the day.

- Garage Sale : Dick Parker announced the Great Garage Sale will be on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm.

- Elections: Dick Parker announced that the Fair Board Directors election will be held on Saturday, September 26<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am – 2:00 pm.

- Post Fair Get Together: Dick Parker reported that there will be a post fair get together at the Parkers on Saturday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

### **COMMITTEES:**

**-Concessions:** Cindy Woodman reported that she pulled the concessionaires and they were down between 20 & 25%. This also was probably due to schools being in session. Attendance was poor the start of the week. On Kids Day was terrible. The weekend helped them to recover some.

**-Culinary-Farm-Dairy:** Dave Wilcox reported that culinary suffered some due to all the rain. Dave also reported that the cooler held out during fair, but will need to be replaced.

**-Dogs:** Wade Crofoot reported that the dog groups wanted to leave early. Cindy Woodman stated that we should look into doing early releases for the 4-H groups.

**-Entertainment:** Joe Slansky reported that he received compliments on the infield crew. Dave Wilcox reported there was an issue with someone dropping a gun in the grandstands and would like for us to look into a way to post no guns in the grandstands.

**-Fine Arts:** Jerry Merhar reported that all went smooth and under budget.

**-Flowers:** Joe Slansky reported he received compliments on the building. People loved the Hatchery.

**-Gates & Tickets:** Mike Peplowski reported that it went smoother than last year. The main gate needs to be reconfigured for Sunday for the Latino Day.

**-Government Coordination:** Jerry Merhar said the government loved us. Many public officials worked the announcers' booth.

**-Grounds:** Wade Crofoot reported that the gate changes worked well. Wade reported that he is working on the handicap parking issue for the voting people. Wade reported that the Commercial Building will have work started on it in 2 – 3 weeks. The west side of the Armory roof will get repaired. This should cost less than \$3500. Bob Dawson made a motion to proceed with the roof repair. Mike Peplowski seconded it. All were in favor. Dick Parker reported that several compliments were received on the appearance of the grounds and the track.

**-Historical:** Wade Crofoot reported he received a note from Kimberly Osborn Milsteen wanting to know if the Fair Board would like to use a cart from her grandfather during the week of fair.

**-Insurance:** Jerry Merhar reported that the cow is insured and we should look into that for getting it repaired.

**-Jr. Fair:** Joe Slansky reported Junior Fair Board had a good week at fair. The purchased a new "used" milkshake machine.

**-Parade:** Joe Slansky reported the parade went well due to the last minute change of starting location again. Discussion was had on continuing to start at the new location, knowing that Harvey will be starting school during fair. Parking is the main issue with this.

**-Police-Safety-First Aid:** Dick Parker reported we received daily incident reports from the sheriff and first aid. This worked out well being informed ahead of time what was going on.

**OTHER MATTERS:** Joe Slansky reported that Young Guns will have a Turkey Shoot on October 18<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 – 4:00.

Georgianne Adams made a motion to read and pay bills. Seconded by Jerry Merhar, the motion passed.

Cindy Woodman moved that the meeting be adjourned. Georgianne Adams seconded this motion. It passed, and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Byram  
Secretary

**NEXT MEETING: Thursday, October 1 @ 7:30 p.m.**