



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

September 5, 2019

<i>Michael Peplowski</i>	<i>R.P.</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
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Caretaker: *David Cameron*

Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____

4-H Extension Rep: _____

Minutes: September 5, 2019

President Wade Crofoot called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm

VISITORS: There were no visitors in attendance.

MINUTES: Joe Slansky made a motion to approve the minutes from August 1, 2019. Dick Parker seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Michelle Byram reported on the July 2019 financials. Mike Peplowski made a motion to approve the financial report. Jim Slansky seconded. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Michelle reported that two correspondences were received.

- A thank you letter from Lisa Miller thanking the Fair Board for working so well with 4-H.
- A letter was received from Bev Booher voicing her concerns about the disruption to the Peace Garden when the 4-H building will be removed and rebuilt.

OLD BUSINESS: 2019 Roof Request: Wade reported that the work on the Merchant building has been completed and paid for.

- **PY19 CDBG:** We have received confirmation on the grant and are working on the details.
- **Fair Changes suggestion:** Ideas were emailed out to each director.

NEW BUSINESS: Election workers: Michelle reported that judges and clerks are needed for the elections on Saturday, September 28th.

- **OHHA Grant:** Bob Dawson advised the board on the 2019 and 2020 OHHA Fair Capital Improvement Grants. Grant monies must be used for capital projects that will benefit Harness Racing. The Racing Barns in the back of the fairgrounds were built in the early-mid 1970's and the electrical panels are old and in serious disrepair. The PEP risk reviewer has called them out on his annual review for several years now. The grant requires a 50/50 match. Our grant application totals \$2,304.54 for seven (7) load center panels, materials and supplies with our match being our sweat equity for all labor involved at \$2,450.00. We have selected the 2020 timeframe which requires the application submission by November 29, 2019. Application approval will take place on January 17, 2020 with a project completion and wrap-up date of May 1, 2020.

The grant application needs a copy of the board's minutes approving the application and authorization for the following individuals to sign the grant application: Michelle Byram, Secretary-Treasurer, Wade Crofoot, President, Joe Slansky, Vice-President and Robert J. Dawson, Finance and Budget Chairman. The motion was moved by Bob Dawson and seconded by Mike Peplowski. All were in favor and the motion carried.

- **Erie Bank Note/Loan Agreement Resolution:** Bob Dawson reported the building breakdown and costs. The architect estimated finished value is \$490,950. The total cost of construction is \$430,000. A note will be with Erie Bank. The interest will be on what is used. Joe Slansky made a motion to accept a resolution authorizing Wade Crofoot, President of the Fair Board to enter into a loan agreement on behalf of the Lake County Agricultural Society and with Eriebank in the amount not to exceed \$150,000 for the purpose of financing capital debt for the Lake County Fairgrounds. Mike Peplowski seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

- **Convention:** Michelle reported that convention will be January 2 – 5, 2020. Please let Michelle know if you plan to attend so she can make hotel reservations. These have been filling up quickly the past few years. Bob Dawson also mentioned that the Fair Board usually purchases a GALA ticket for convention. Joe Slansky made a motion for the Fair Board to purchase a GALA ticket. Georgianne Adams seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

COMMITTEES:

-**4-H Building Rental:** Wade reported two committees have been set up regarding the rental of the new 4-H building. The first committee will handle how the building is rented out. On the committee is Joe, Cindy, Sam and Mike. The second committee will deal with the rules and regulations of the building. The committee consists of Judy, Dawn, Michelle, Jerry, Mike and Joe. Bob stated that he attended the Ladies Auxiliary meeting and they are very interested in being involved in the committee deciding the rules of the rentals.

-**4-H Livestock Auction:** Sam Taylor reported he was at the Geauga Fair and they have switched to Martech, which the Lake County Fair has been doing for several years now.

-**Entertainment:** Joe Slansky reported he will schedule a wrap-up meeting for the 17th or 18th.

-**Garage Sale:** Dave Wilcox reported that spaces are going slow.

-**Gates & Tickets:** Sam reported that both Ashtabula and Geauga Fairs have an in and out gate for leaving the last day of fair and it runs smoothly.

-**Saddle Horse:** Cindy Woodman reported she has received suggestions on some changes: To put a man gate at the Dunsailin ring from the bleachers to the paddock, to put a section in the armory for judges parking.

-**Rentals:** Georgianne Adams requested to have a meeting after the Fair Board meeting.

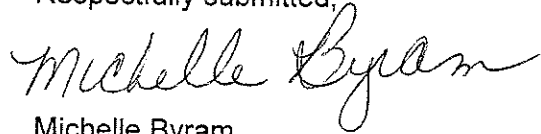
4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Siciliano-Miller reported that there are a lot of questions and concerns from the 4-H population regarding the rental and use of the new 4-H building. Wade commented that two committees will be set up to set rules and regulations regarding rentals and usage.

OTHER MATTERS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY STEVE ANDOW AND JIM FARRELL!

Frank Leonbruno has officially be selected as a sheriff.

Cindy Woodman made a motion to pay bills and adjourn. Seconded by Georgianne Adams, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michelle Byram".

Michelle Byram
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, October 3 @ 7:30 p.m.