



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

July 7, 2022

<i>Dave Wilson</i>	<i>Dick</i>	<i>Frank</i>
<i>Wade Crofoot</i>	<i>Michael R. Peplow</i>	<i>Sam Taylor</i>
<i>[Signature]</i>	<i>Jerry Merhar</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>
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<i>Jim Day</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	
<i>Cindy Wood</i>	<i>[Signature]</i>	
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Caretaker: _____

Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____

4-H Extension Rep: _____

Minutes: July 7, 2022

President Wade Crofoot called the meeting to order at 7:35 pm.

VISITORS: Kenna Covert – Lake County 4-H Saddlehorse, Junior Saddlehorse, and many saddle horse kids attended the meeting to thank the Fair Board for their support and hard work on the arenas. They claimed that the rings are much safer and better for riding. Sam Taylor also mentioned that Wade, Dick and Bob put a lot into getting the work done. Wade Crofoot thanked Saddlehorse for getting the project started.

- Joe Tomsick – CEO and Director of Counsel on Aging is in charge of taking care of Senior Day at the fair. Joe reported he is excited to continue Senior Day that has been put on for many years. This is the Counsel on Aging's 50th Anniversary and they will also be in the parade. They have expanded Senior Day to include the Outstanding Senior Awards that previously took place at the mall. The Lake County Commissioners and Public Officials will be attending to present the awards at 10:30 am, followed by Boxed lunches, entertainment and bingo. They are planning to distribute at least 300 lunches but could be as many as 500. Bob Dawson stated that it was good to sit down and work with Joe and Linda from the Counsel on Aging. Joe was also very instrumental in writing grants for the Senior use of the Youth/Community Center.

MINUTES: Jerry Merhar made a motion to approve the minutes from June 2, 2022. Dick Parker seconded. Mike Peplowski abstained since he was not at the last meeting. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Michelle Byram reported on the June 2022 financial. Mike Peplowski made a motion to approve the financial report. Dick Parker seconded. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no correspondence to report.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS: Adopt Premium Book: Bob Dawson made a motion to adopt the 2022 Lake County Fair Premium Book. Joe Slansky seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- **Geauga County Fair Opening Ceremony:** Michelle reported we have received an Invitation to the opening ceremony of their 200th fair, which will be on Wednesday, August 31 at noon.

- **Sr. Day Article:** Bob reported that a nice article about the fair and Senior Day was in the Bridge paper. This paper goes out to over 54,000 households.

- **Armed Forces Wall Article:** Bob reported the Tribune had an article in the paper about the Armed Forces Wall. Wade wanted to thank Bob, Dick, Joe and Dave for their hard work getting the wall completed. Bob stated that the flags will go up tonight. Joe worked on the lighting.

COMMITTEES:

- Advertising: Publicity:** Bob Dawson reported it is going good. QR Codes were distributed in the handouts. Bob stated to expect to see the code on or advertisement. Bob reported a site survey was conducted today by Hometown Ticketing. We are hopeful the wifi will be working for fair but if not, hot spots will work. We still need to hire ushers for the grandstands for the Monster Truck and Demolition Derby shows.

- Camping:** Mike Peplowski reported the road looks good. Wade reported that lines will be painted and numbers will be put on the camping spots.

- 4-H Livestock Auction:** Sam Taylor reported the number of animals are up this year. He believes we are one of the few fairs that is up on each species.

- Concessions:** Cindy Woodman reported the buildings are sold out and grounds are almost sold out.

- Entertainment:** Joe Slansky reported that we are all set.

- **Fair Queen:** Michelle Byram reported there are 4 Queen Candidates and the Queen's Tea will be Sunday, at 2:00 in the Community Center.

- Finance & Budget:** Bob Dawson reported that we have spent a lot of money this year. We will need to look at the expenses before we set a new budget, since rates of things have gone up.

- Gates & Tickets:** Bob Dawson reported training will be Monday, July 11 at 6:30 pm. All gates will have credit card machine and training will take place at the meeting.

- Golf Carts:** Royce Gregory are good. Michelle will check on how many sponsors we have.

- Government Coordination:** Jerry Merhar reported the Commissioners will meet tomorrow to discuss our need and we should have an answer by Monday. The new Commissioner, Mark Tyler will be coming out to the fairgrounds to see what our needs are.

- Grounds:** Wade Crofoot reported the siding on the buildings should be completed tomorrow. The guy for the gutters has been contacted and hopefully will be here soon to fix them. Wade reported that the cost of hauling manure has increased significantly and requested to the Board to let him know if anyone knows of someone that might be interested in giving us a quote. Wade reported we have our equipment for fair. MFG will provide tractors for our People Movers, The County will provide a tractor and skid loader with forks, Painesville Township will provide a loader if needed, Perry Township will provide a dozer and track hoe and Dick Parker will provide a tractor for the ring. Wade reported Mel bought a paint sprayer for marking lines and we have paint from the collections. Kevin will be coming back for the week of fair, but Dave is in need of help before and during fair if any Directors have a night available. We will need to rent cones since the ones we used in the past are no longer available. Todd will look into a price to buy some.

- Saddle Horse:** Cindy Woodman reported all Saddlehorse will be upfront for fair. Cindy also reported that Dave Leroy passed away. He worked with us with the Triple Crown idea. They

will have a moment of silence during the Triple Crown for him. Dick Parker stated he was also a supporter of 4-H and the fair.

-Parking & Transportation: Mike Peplowski reported the Boy Scouts will work the Armory parking lot again. It will close down Friday afternoon through Sunday. Mike has a group for main parking but still needs to meet with them. He currently has 2 tractor drivers.

-Police-Safety-First Aid: Cindy Woodman reported that she met and talked to the Sheriff department regarding hours. The rate for security went up with a 15% increase. We will be over budget this year by around \$2,000. Cindy will meet with safety forces before fair and let them know we need to be informed of increases preferably before our budget meeting.

-Poultry & Rabbits: Georgianne Adams reported we were informed in the spring that pullorum testing would not need to be done this year. We have since been informed that it does. Georgianne reported that she has a tester that will come out for any open poultry. Georgianne suggested someone from the Fair Board get certified in pullorum testing for the future.

-Rentals: Cindy Woodman reported we received the past due payment from Colleen Mann and Sarah Bittner. Due to poor payment history on both of them, Cindy Woodman made a motion that we do not enter into any lease agreements with either Colleen Mann or Sarah Bittner in the future. Dave Wilcox seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

-Schools: Cindy reported that she has quite a few exhibits so far for the school building.

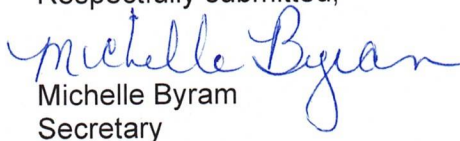
-Voice of the Fair – Jerry Merhar reported that he has all time slots filled for the Voice of the Fair.

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Manning reported that there will be 2 sandwich boards outside of the Youth/Community Center. 4-H would like to display QR Codes in every barn and around fair that will have fun facts about 4-H on them. They would also like to use chalk paint on the black top outside of the buildings. Sr. Market Livestock would like to set up racks before the buildings are sanitized.

OTHER MATTERS:

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

Respectfully submitted,


Michelle Byram
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 14 @ 7:30 p.m.