



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

January 11, 2024

Mike Peplowski	Sam Ouse	
Wade Crofoot	Todd Demshar	
Cindy Woodman	Judi Sprague	
David Wilson	Joe Slansky	
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Jim [Signature]	[Signature]	
Ken Hamilton	A. Adams	

Caretaker: David Wilson Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____ 4-H Extension Rep: _____

Minutes:

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

VISITORS: There were no visitors in attendance.

MINUTES: Mike Peplowski made a motion to approve the minutes from December 7, 2023. Todd Demshar seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Michelle Byram reported on the financial for December 2023. Joe Slansky made a motion to approve the financial report. Mike Peplowski seconded. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you: Judi Sprague sent a thank you to the Fair Board for providing her a hotel room in order to attend the OFMA Hall of Fame breakfast for Cindy Woodman.

- Thank you: Stephanie and Sam Woodman sent a thank you for having them attend the OFMA Hall of Fame breakfast for their mom Cindy Woodman.

OLD BUSINESS: Convention: Wade thanked the Fair Board for attending convention and their support.

- **Annual Financial Report Revised:** Michelle reported that she made a change to the annual financial report on the advice of ODA. Line item 3130 State & Local Support of \$98,207 should be moved to line item 3190 under Operating funds. The correction has been made and resubmitted to ODA. Bob Dawson made a motion to accept the change in the Annual Financial Report, seconded by Cindy Woodman. All were in favor and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS: Convention: Communication Awards: Michelle reported the Lake County Fair received the following communication awards: First place in newspaper ad, radio ad and newsletter. Second place in promotional brochure and website categories. We also received the "Best in Show" among all small fairs. Bob mentioned that all three divisions: small, medium and large fair "best in" were from District 9 fairs.

- **Cindy Woodman: Hall of Fame Recipient:** Michelle reported that Cindy Woodman was a recipient of the OFMA Hall of Fame award. Congratulations Cindy.

- **Newsletter Articles:** Michelle reported she would like all newsletter articles by the end of January.

- **Memberships:** Wade reported there are a few Fair Board directors that still have not purchased their membership.

COMMITTEES:

- Advertising-Publicity-Sponsorship:** Bob Dawson reported it was a good week. He was able to secure Ken Ganley as presenting sponsor and UH as the general sponsor. Bob will reach out to the rest in the coming weeks.

- Camping:** Bob reported he has another revision of the camping area. This revision is more economical. Discussion was had on different contacts and assignments of the project. Drawings are available if anyone would like one. Bob also reported the grant will be happening for this and we should receive \$100,000 from it.

- Entertainment:** Joe Slansky reported there will be a brief entertainment meeting following the Fair Board meeting.

- **Fair Queen:** Michelle Byram reported that Giselle attending the Ohio Fairs' Queen contest and did well representing Lake County. The winning queen is from Muskegon County. Bob reported that Rebekah, the 2023 Ohio Fairs' Queen will be hard to replace.

- Flowers:** Joe Slansky reported that he is going to try some new things for this year. He is working with the Metroparks. They will be giving out 5,000 marigolds in the spring and will encourage the recipients to bring them to the fair.

- Gates & Tickets:** Bob Dawson reported the gates training will be held on July 8th.

- Golf Carts:** Todd Demshar reported that we have a commitment to Glens Golf Carts.

- Government Coordination:** Wade Crofoot reported he would like to thank Commissioner Regovich for attending the convention with us.

- Grounds:** Wade Crofoot reported we have a leak coming in off of 20 to a hydrant only. This was shut off and will be looked at. Wade reported the garage doors are on order. The electrician gave a list of repairs needed and Joe said he will work on these in the spring. Also the roofs that are to be repaired will be done after storage is taken out.

- Draft Horse:** Steve Ohmes reported he is planning on having the Draft Horse meeting on March 3.

- Saddle Horse:** Jim Slansky reported they are looking to do a barrel horse show for the Saturday show at fair

- Police & First Aid:** Jeremy Hejduk reported that a couple fairs reported at convention that their sheriff does not charge to be at the fair, where other fairs are charged much more than us.

- Rentals:** Cindy Woodman reported she will have a committee meeting following the Fair Board meeting regarding the Armory and Fiesta & Johnnycake runs.

- Volunteers:** Wade Crofoot reported there is a Juvenile Youth program where juveniles, who are a part of the parole system, do community service with an adult with them. Saddle horse would like help to scrape the announcer's booth.

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Manning reported there will be a 4-H Hoe Down on Friday, January 19 at the Youth/Community Center. All are welcome. Lisa questioned if we got an answer for the Daisy Drop. Michelle informed her that we did inquire at convention and were told that this is considered a game of chance, which is not permitted during fair. Lisa also reported that the Extension is building a task force and would like feedback by January 22. She has sent out an email to all Fair Board Directors.

OTHER MATTERS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY JOE & WADE!

Mike Peplowski made a motion to pay bills and adjourn. Seconded by Bob Dawson, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Byram
Secretary

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