

ANNUAL MEETING – OCTOBER 3, 2024

President Wade Crofoot, following the Elections of Directors that took place from 3:00 – 7:00 PM, reopened the Annual Meeting.

ELECTION RESULTS: Secretary Michelle Byram reported that 54 members voted at the Director Election. Elected to 3-year terms ending September 30, 2027 were:

Todd Demshar representing At-Large-Central
Joseph Slansky representing Concord
Steve Ohmes representing Leroy
Jeremy Hejduk representing Madison
Kenna Covert representing Painesville
Sam Taylor representing Perry
Cindy Woodman representing Willoughby

Fair Board member Jim Farrell administered and notarized the Oath of Office to the Directors.

MINUTES: Michelle Byram emailed the minutes to the Directors on September 26, 2024 for review. Bob Dawson made a motion to accept the minutes from the October 5, 2023 Annual Meeting. Joe Slansky seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS: There was no new business to report.

With there being no further business, Jerry Merhar made a motion that the Annual meeting for 2024 be adjourned, seconded by Joe Slansky. All were in favor and the motion carried with the meeting adjourning at 7:38.

REORGANIZATION MEETING – OCTOBER 3, 2024

Wade Crofoot, immediately following the adjournment of the Annual meeting, called the 2024-2025 Reorganization meeting of the Lake County Agricultural Society, Inc. to order.

Jerry Merhar made a motion to nominate Wade Crofoot for President. Dave Wilcox seconded. Rob Sidley made a motion to nominate Cindy Woodman for President, seconded by Richard Parker. With no other nominations being received, ballots for President were closed. Michelle Byram and Joe Slansky counted the votes and Wade Crofoot was reelected as President.

Dave Wilcox nominated Joe Slansky for Vice-President, seconded by Todd Demshar. With no other nominations being received, Bob Dawson made a motion to close the ballot for Vice-President, seconded by Jerry Merhar. All were in favor and Joe Slansky was reelected as Vice-President.

Mike Peplowski nominated Michelle Byram for Secretary-Treasurer, seconded by Todd Demshar. With no other nominations being received, Jerry Merhar made a motion to close the ballot for Secretary-Treasurer, seconded by Joe Slansky. All were in favor and Michelle Byram was reelected as Secretary-Treasurer.

Rob Sidley made a motion to adjourn the Reorganization Meeting, seconded by Joe Slansky. All were in favor.



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

October 3, 2024

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Caretaker: *Dave Wilcox*

Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____

4-H Extension Rep: _____

Minutes: October 3, 2024

President Wade Crofoot called the meeting to order at 7:46 pm.

VISITORS: There were no visitors in attendance.

MINUTES: Mike Peplowski made a motion to approve the minutes from September 5, 2024. Rob Sidley seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Michelle Byram reported on the financial for September 2024. Mike Peplowski made a motion to approve the financial report. Dave Wilcox seconded. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: There was no correspondence to report.

OLD BUSINESS: Ladies Auxiliary Clam Bake: October 19: Michelle reported tickets are still available and to contact Ladies Auxiliary members for tickets.

- **Budget Meeting: Wednesday, October 30 6:00 pm**
- **Convention: January 2 – 5, 2025:** Michelle reported she needs forms in ASAP.

NEW BUSINESS: Committees: Wade reported committee sheets need to be completed and turned in.

Storage Help Needed October 19, 26 & November 2: Dave Herroon reported he will only need three people for October 19, starting around 8:45 am.

- **Fair Funds Request:** Jerry Merhar made a motion to approve the Application for 2025 Ohio Fairs Fund Money ORC3769.082 for General Operations, Track Maintenance, Purse Money for Non-Specified Races (Non-Stake Races) and Purse Money for 8 Stake Races. Joe Slansky seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

- **Fair Date Request:** Jerry Merhar made a motion to approve the Fair Date Request Form OAC 901-5-11 for the dates of July 22 – 27, 2025. Dick Parker seconded the request. All were in favor and the motion passed.

COMMITTEES:

- **Building: Availability & Usage:** Joe Slansky reported that the projector is not working properly. Also, the lock on the building is not working at this time.

- **Camping:** Mike Peplowski reported he would like to have a meeting after the regular meeting.

- **4-H Livestock Auction:** Sam Taylor reported there is one outstanding check.

- **Entertainment:** Joe reported he will be having an Entertainment meeting on Wednesday, October 9 at 7:00 pm in the fair office.

- **Finance & Budget:** Bob Dawson reported that we are off on our budget, but we have never had \$728,000 at the end of September before. Bob reminded committees to meet need to be more on budget. Any requests need to be submitted before the budget meeting.

- **Garage Sale:** Dave Wilcox Jr. reported the weather for the Garage Sale was perfect and the sale went well, selling out spaces. A vendor did pass out and a squad was called but they were okay and refused treatment.

- **Government Coordination:** Jerry Merhar presented Wade Crofoot with an engraved gavel from the Commissioners office.

Jerry reported we will be getting funds for ½ of the lighting that we requested. We will be reimbursed after the purchases are made.

Jerry also reported that we have had no results from Mr. Misny on the asphalt damage and Commission Plecnik will be working on the matter.

- **Grounds:** Wade reported we will be moving ahead with new switch boxes and lighting on the fairgrounds.

Wade reported that the campground work is complete. We are awaiting a final inspection. The split rail fence has been delivered and will be put up.

Wade reported numbers are being put together for underground waterlines. Also, backflow preventers are being installed per Aqua.

- **Rentals:** Cindy Woodman reported Mr. Misny signed a contract for a bikefest for this weekend but we have heard nothing from them and no final payment has been made, besides the \$1,500 deposit they put down on it, which will not be refunded due to us holding the date for them.

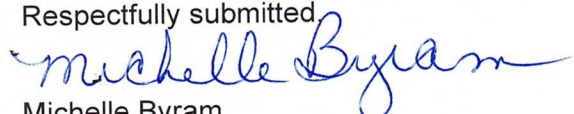
Cindy reported that she heard from Pat Coyne requesting his deposit back from the Irish Festival that they cancelled due to the power outage. Cindy informed the Board that she told Pat back in August that the money would not be refunded due to the work that was done to prepare for the event and holding of the date. Pat was unhappy with the response and stated he would be contacting the Commissioners office regarding this.

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Manning stated she had nothing to report.

OTHER MATTERS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY MIKE, CINDY & RICH!

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

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Byram
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, November 7 @ 7:30 p.m.