



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

July 10, 2025

Michael Reynolds	Bob Dawson	Andy Hoge
Wade Crofoot	Dave Wilcox	John
Ann Curie	Jim Merhar	5-42
Jim Day	John	John
John	Janell	
Bob	Bill	
Bob		

Caretaker: Donna Henon

Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____

4-H Extension Rep: Ruby Pealer

Minutes:

President Wade Crofoot called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm.

VISITORS: Dr. Rob Schwartz: Dr. Rob will be the fair vet again this year. He spoke about ODA coming out on Wednesday, July 23. They will be looking for ID's, sick animals, etc. RFID will be required soon for swine and cattle. Rob will look into the price for this reader. Dr. Rob will do check ins of the animals on Monday before fair. He will also be staying on the grounds and will be available for emergency calls to assess the situation.

MINUTES: July 3, 2025. Todd Demshar made a motion to approve the minutes from. Jerry Merhar seconded. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Michelle Byram reported on the financial. made a motion to approve the financial report. seconded. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Lake County General Health District Buckle Down Event: Michelle reported she received an email from the Lake County General Health District regarding holding their buckle down event again this year. It will be held on Friday, July 25 from 9 am to noon at the Fairdale Entrance to the fair.

OLD BUSINESS: C.A.R.E.S.: Michelle reported Tabby from C.A.R.E.S. contacted her again this year and stated due to the health and age of the volunteers, they will be unable to volunteer at the fair this year. Joe stated he will check with Jeremy to see what is needed. A few different options of help were suggested and will be looked into. Bob Dawson suggested that we agree to talk about this before committing to anything.

NEW BUSINESS: WKKY: Bob reported that there will be a half hour long show on the fair on WKKY, Sunday at 9:30 am.

- **Courtesy Passes:** Courtesy passes were distributed to the Fair Board Directors.
- **Ice Chest:** Todd Demshar reported that the demand for ice is a challenge during fair. He stated that if ice is needed, to get it from the machine instead of the bagged ice. Todd also reported he has found a ice freezer for \$1,500 that he would like to purchase to accommodate the need. This will be placed by the beer tent and the key given to the group handling the beer sales. The usage will be tracked. Bob Dawson made a motion to approve the purchase of the ice freezer. This was seconded by Rob Sidley. All were in favor and the motion passed.

COMMITTEES:

-**Advertising/Publicity:** Bob Dawson reported we have \$41,000 in sponsorships. We will be receiving just over \$5,000 for the school buses from the Visitors Bureau and Commissioners.

-**Camping:** Mike Peplowski gave a layout of the Director camping area.

- **Concessions:** Cindy Woodman reported that the ride company will be again hosting Kissel's Kids for special needs guests on Wednesday July 23 from 10 am – noon.

Cindy also reported tents will be coming on Wednesday. They will be marking fire lanes on Monday.

-**Decorations:** Michelle reported decorating and cleaning will take place on Thursday, July 17 at 5:30 pm.

- **Fair Queen:** Michelle reported the Tea will be held on Sunday, July 13 at 2:00 pm.

-**Gates:** Bob reported gates training was held on Monday night. There is a new group for the main gate.

-**Golf Carts:** Todd reported he is working on sponsorships. Please let him know if you would like to purchase one.

-**Grounds:** Bob reported he applied for a grant from the insurance underwriters for \$1,000 to go towards the backflow prevention.

-**Draft Horse:** Steve Ohmes reported there will be 3 campers up front, 3 campers out back, 1 semi up front and 1 semi out back. There will be 20 horses in the front barns and 9 will haul in for the hitch classes.

-**Parking & Transportation:** Mike Peplowski reported the group that does parking for the armory backed out. He needs someone for Saturday & Sunday from 9-9. Pay will be \$600 to the group. This will require 2-3 people at a time. Mike marked out the trailer parking area. There are 17 spots; 4 on Fairgrounds Rd, 13 along Fairdale Rd. Each space is 45' long, with one being shorter.

-**Police-Safety-First Aid:** Cindy Woodman reported the safety meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 16 at 11:00 am in the fair office.

-**Poultry & Rabbits:** Kenna Covert reported the eggs are in the incubator.

-**Publications:** Michelle Byram reported the schedule of events were delivered.

-**Race Program:** Rob Sidley reported there will be approximately 12-14 races.

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Ruby Pealer sat in on the meeting with nothing to report.

OTHER MATTERS: HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAVE WILCOX SR.

Mike Peplowski made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Cindy Woodman, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Byram

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Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 17 @ 7:30 p.m.