



LAKE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS SIGN-IN SHEET

July 2, 2026

Michael Peplowski	Michelle Byram	Wade Crofoot
Sam Taylor	Dave Wilcodx	Jim Slansky
Robert Quinn	Joe Slansky	Kenna Covert
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Kenna Covert	Joe Slansky	Michelle Byram
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Caretaker: Dave Wilcodx

Concessions: _____

Auxiliary: _____

4-H Extension Rep: Sam Taylor

Minutes: July 2, 2026

President Joe Slansky called the meeting to order at 7:40 pm.

VISITORS: There were no visitors in attendance.

MINUTES: Sam Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes from June 4, 2026. Kenna Covert seconded. Mike Peplowski abstained since he was not in attendance in June. All in favor and minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORTS: Accounts receivable report: Michelle Byram reported on the financial for June, 2026. Dave Wilcodx made a motion to approve the financial report. Wade Crofoot seconded. All were in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE: Michelle reported three letters of intent for the vacant At-Large-Central position have been received from Georgianne Adams, Anna Barthol and Ryan Wheeler. Ryan does not qualify for the position due to living in Perry. Michelle stated she would email the letters out to the Directors.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS: -Fraud Training: Mike Peplowski brought in a laptop and projector for the Fair Board and employees to view the 8-minute video on fraud training. All that were present signed in and also signed the acknowledgement of receipt of the Auditor of State fraud-reporting system information form.

- **Adopt Premium Book:** Cindy Woodman made a motion to adopt the premium book. Jeremy Hejduk seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

COMMITTEES:

- **4-H Livestock Auction:** Sam Taylor questioned if credit card machines will be available for the livestock auction. Michelle informed him she will be ordering the machines next week.

- **Advertising: Publicity:** Bob Dawson reported he has seen some of our ads on billboards.

- **Audit of Bills:** Bob Dawson stated that we have a small pile of bills for this time of year.

- **Camping:** Michelle reported there are only a handful of camping spaces left.

- **Cattle-Sheep-Swine-Goats:** Sam Taylor reported spacing is filling up.

- **Concessions:** Cindy Woodman reported commercial spaces and building spaces are low.

- **Culinary-Farm-Dairy:** Dave Wilcox reported there is a problem with the cooler, and we need to figure something out. Used ones run around \$4,000 to \$6,500. New ones are more but not sure they can get one before fair. Bob Dawson made a motion to buy whatever is the best deal. Mike Peplowski seconded the motion. All were in favor.

- **Entertainment:** Joe Slansky reported everything seems good.

- **Fair Queen:** Michelle Byram reported there are 5 candidates for Fair Queen. The Tea will be held on Sunday, July 12 from 2 – 4 pm. Please rsvp if you have not already done so.

- **Foundation:** Michelle Byram reported interest on the CD for the foundation will not be posted until the end of the 5 month term.

- **Gates & Tickets:** Bob Dawson reported all gates are now covered. Michelle reported ushers are needed for the grandstand events.

- **Golf Carts:** Dave Wilcox Jr. reported one golf cart will be arriving on the 17th and the rest the Friday before fair. Cindy Woodman reported a vendor will be donating a golf cart.

- **Grounds:** Wade Crofoot reported two electricians have turned in quotes for fair. Still waiting for a quote.

Electric poles will be set Wednesday or Thursday next week. Painters have started painting the grandstands. The fence is on call. The enclosure for the livestock auction is on schedule.

Painesville Twp will be providing a tire loader, Perry Twp will provide a dozer and disc for fair. Sun Rental will provide the generator.

- **Jr. Fair:** Jim Slansky reported Farm Credit America has money at state level for barn improvements. Jim stated we may be able to recoup the cost of the cupolas.

- **Parade:** Joe Slansky reported that we have a permit for the parade. Joe will have a meeting about the parade route soon.

- **Parking & Transportation:** Mike Peplowski reported he has the same person to watch the Armory parking lot for Saturday and Sunday. Mike reported that one of his tractor drivers passed away over the year. He thinks he has a fill in and is waiting to hear back from one more.

- **Police-Safety-First Aid:** Cindy Woodman will have a meeting before fair.

- **Poultry & Rabbits:** Kenna Covert asked if a livestream could be done of the hatchery. It was suggested to check with Steve since the FarmPark has one. Kenna stated the chicks will be going in on Monday.

- **Publications:** Michelle Byram reported premium books have been mailed out.

- **Race Program:** Michelle Byram reported we have received the race check from OHHA.

- **Rentals:** Cindy Woodman reported the Viking Festival is over and it seemed like it went well for them.

- **Schools:** Dave Wilcox Jr. reported the sign up is going slow. He only has received three so far.

- **Technology:** Joe Slansky reported Brad will be out to check out the system. Michelle reported the password protection needs to be put in place for fair.

-Voice of the Fair – Natalie Pachinger reported that she talked to Jerry, and he said that he had fallen so he probably won't be available to be here during fair. Natalie only needs to fill two more spots. Cindy said she has staff that can help fill in if Natalie is not available for fair.

4-H EXTENTION OFFICE REPRESENTATIVE: Lisa Manning reported the pre-fair meeting will be Monday, July 13. Lisa reported she has been in contact with Jason Boyd regarding the grant and stated we will set up a meeting the week after fair.

OTHER MATTERS: The barns will be disinfected the Wednesday or Friday before fair. Lines will be painted Wednesday before fair.

Jim Slansky announced Rachel is expecting and due in November.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY DAVE WILCOX SR.!

Wade Crofoot made a motion to pay bills and adjourn. Seconded by Jeremy Hejduk, the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Michelle Byram". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the right.

Michelle Byram
Secretary

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 9 @ 7:30 p.m.