

Marshall County Fair Board

October 22, 2018 Minutes

Officer Reports

Secretary – Motion to accept Tom Watson, 2nd Duane Walters – motion carries

Treasurer – No Report

Committee Reports

Extension – policy and procedure November 1st at the extension office, livestock October 29 to discuss changes at 7:00 at extension office. Fair Board is on the list to be audited this year. No date set. Committee guidelines are being discussed and will go to livestock meeting. Council had a few suggestions. The extension meeting is tomorrow 10/22/18.

Council – met on October 4th. Still in need of a VP. Went through township list. The camp will be at Camp Amigo in Michigan. Council is set for 19th after the livestock committee meets. Enrollment is open

Livestock – ~~at~~ goat superintendent is sherry smith. Swine is ok to move their show date but would like the arena the entire day. Beef had prospect show and had 121 head. The beef committee would like to add a prospect show to increase numbers and enrollment. They would like for calves to be released after the conclusion of their show. Sarah asked for fair board to approve bringing them in on check in, being tagged during the super tag day. All calves will show by weight and must be born between 1/1 and 4/1 and have to be weaned. Motion to approve releasing them early with Livestock's approval by Jeff Gustafson, 2nd Kim Bope – motion carries. This will now go to livestock and then council.

Commercial – No Report

Grounds and Maintenance – water will be completely shut off by Sunday. There was a post that was knocked over. Looked like someone hit the light pole out past the horse arena. Its leaning and the light shut off. The blueberry horse show we haven't been paid for. There were 15 stalls that weren't cleaned. He cannot get any communication from Jennifer and they still haven't paid for the electric bill. They claimed they only had 2 hookups to electric but more than that were counted.

Fundraising – no report

Auction – Survey was sent and only 12 have completed out of the 144 people it went to. 72% want Friday auction, 75% want afternoon, 50% want food, 33% do not want food and 17% had no preference on food. Have a few more days to complete. Karen is going to have the office do another email burst to the people as a reminder to hopefully get

Long range – nothing new to report

Activity/Open Class – No report

Junior Leaders – No report

Sponsorship – No report

Advisory – No report

Old Business

Website – the website was paid for. Kevin Holland is supposed to be working with Kay on the information that he knows of. He is waiting on Kay to respond. Jeff sent Kay a text to have her contact Kevin.

Ponderosa pictures – Kelsey gave them pictures, but we are still 5 short.

Carnival – There are a couple that are wanting to talk to us for 2020 but none for 2019.

Township Reps (West) – They were supposed to have a rep at the meeting but there are none. Karen will have the extension office follow up

Livestock Committee By-Laws – None of the ideas have really changed but will go to the livestock committee next. Discussion was had. This will come back to us at some point.

2019 Fair Dates / Auction Date – motion by Dale Schultz to have fair the 3rd week in July, 2nd by Sarah Schultz-motion carries. The exact dates will be determined after the livestock determines the show schedule. Motion to have a Friday auction (July 19th) by Angel Balsley, 2nd Jeff Gustafson – motion carries. Discussion was had about arranging the shows, what time of day to have it. Livestock will discuss this and bring it back to us.

Old Business – Swine barn issue -- either carry over money or else budget for next year.

New Business

Building Sponsor - \$2500/year for a 2- year term, \$5,000 on the arena. We would purchase a sign to hang on the barn. The money would be used to improve that building, etc. If at the end of the 2 years they decide not to sponsor, they can have the sign. Rob would like to proceed with this. Tom made a motion to proceed, 2nd – motion carries.

Electric Update – Jamie, from the town of Argos, looked at the electric and thinks he can set transformers on each of the poles to each building and eliminate the gears that we have. Jamie thinks our cost would be \$5000 to \$7000. They will start as soon as we give him the approval and be done by spring. Dale Schultz made a motion to go ahead with it. 2nd by Sarah Schultz – motion carries.

NWTF Fundraiser – Rob has tickets for anyone who wants to sell. The NWTF is holding a fundraiser on New Year's Eve like they did last year and will be donating the proceeds back to the fair board. There will also be a dinner at the Knights of Columbus during the drawing. Everyone is invited to attend.

Fair Schedule – see above old business "2019 Fair Dates / Auction Date"

Other New Business –

Adjournment:

Attendance: Karen Richey, Teri Barnhart, Jim Griewank, Becky Carswell, Kevin Holland, Keith Ellis, Ron Rensberger, Helen Schmidt, Roger Parker, Sarah Schultz, Sherry Smith, Zach Smith, Tom Watson, Rob Hurford, Angel Balsley, Jeff Gustafson, Kim Bope, Duane Walters, Kaye Schultz, Dale Schultz,