

POLK COUNTY FAIR SOCIETY
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
March 31st, 2016 7:00PM

Attendance: Judy Bainbridge, Kerri Slate, Karrie Melin-Swenson, Tim Wilson, Ted Johnson, Brandon Derosier, Leslie Davison, Janis Larson, Becky Dickinson, Becky Larson, Amy Johnson, Geri Christensen, Jesse Baillargeon, Collin Anderson and Father, Dale Wood, Chris Wood.

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 710pm by President Dale Wood

Approval of Agenda date March 31st, 2016: Ted Johnson request an agenda item be added, "board responsibility". Ted Johnson makes a motion to accept the agenda as amended, 2nd Tim Wilson, motion carried.

Approval of meeting minutes dated February 25th, 2016. Rodney Rivard makes a motion to approve, Leslie Davison 2nd, Motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report:: Treasurers report dated March 31st, 2016 presented. Rodney Rivard makes a motion to accept the treasurer's report, Ted Johnson 2nd, motion carried.

Old Business

1: Small Animal Barn: pass – will address under building and grounds.

2: Superintendent of Entries Position; Karrie Melin-Swenson – Michelle Peterson has been hired as the new Superintendent of Entries position.

3: Fair grounds telephone service: Dale Wood – has not received any information from Centurylink rep as requested. Ted Johnson makes a motion to purchase 2 phones and 2 hot spots and to disconnect Centurylink services at this time, Brandon Derosier 2nd, motion carried.

4: Polk County Fair Society Facebook and Web page, use of and management of – will address under advertising committee report.

5: Gopher control – Amy Johnson makes a motion to pay the going bounty rate for pocket gophers to Ray Little and give him a key, and to hire Leonard the exterminator take care of our striped gophers problem on the grounds, Brandon Derosier 2nd, motion carried.

6: Rack for Folding Chairs – 1 has arrived, put together and ready to go. Paid \$239. Chairs Dale Wood had purchased folding chairs and was going to get them painted, did not get painted yet, he has taken them to the fairgrounds, we will need to look at them to see if they really need painting or not.

7: District Meeting – April 20th, 2016 PCF. Please let Dale Wood, Tracy LaBlanc or Karrie Melin-Swenson know if you will be attending or not, hours are 10 – 2. Currently 17 people from other fairs are attending.

8: Request to have Birthday Party in Red School House – Geri Christensen – general consensus of board that we do not rent it until we have inspected the building and added it to the rental list.

9: Patrick and Michelle, Host, unable to return this year. Their services was very appreciated and we wish them well.

10: Easter Egg Hunt. Janis Larson – last Sat the employees of the sheriff's department ran their annual Easter Egg hunt at the fairgrounds. It was well attended. At the executive board meeting in March the Executive board made the decision to make a donation of \$100 as done in previous years. Ted Johnson makes a motion to accept the \$100 donation to the Employees of the Sheriff's Department Easter Egg hunt held last Saturday, 2nd Tim Wilson, and motion carried

Committee Reports

Advertising: Geri Christensen – meeting minutes presented and reviewed. Face Book Page Administration discussion. Polk County Web site discussion. Janis Larson – we need to look at adding disclosures to flyers, tickets, signs, ect. Ted Johnson moves that we accept the meeting minutes from the advertising committee meeting minutes of 3/8/16, 2nd Brandon Derosier, motion passed.

Bldgs. & Grounds: meeting minutes presented and reviewed. Grant application for Agstar \$3000 for walkways.

Budget: reviewed above

Bylaws & Policies: Karrie Melin-Swenson – have not met

Commercial Exhibits: Amy Jonnson - apps coming in and going good.

EMT's & Safety: Janis Larson – working on Insurance claim.

Entertainment & Grandstand: Judy Bainbridge – everything booked, sound equipment obtained. Dale Wood – all contracts are out.

Executive Committee: Dale Wood – nothing at this time

Fair Camping: Janis Larson

Fairest of the Fair: Dale Wood for Amy Strohbach, start thinking of candidates for fairest of the fair.

Fundraising: Geri Christensen – minutes presented and reviewed.

Horse: Rodney Rivard – District show for 2017 and 2018 (August) being planned.

Livestock: Karrie Melin-Swenson – interstate livestock show camping fee- \$10/without electricity, \$20/with electricity.

Parking: Geri Christensen – nothing.

Premium Book: Karrie Melin-Swenson – books will be available at April meeting to pick up.

Programming Committee: Geri Christensen – have not meet this month, we will meet in April.

Quality Meats: Dale Wood – training tonight at the Government Center

Senior Events: Move this to Programming committee

Small Animal: Becky Larson – still working on cage needs.

Social Garden: Amy Jonnson – license was approved at the last City meeting, quote from the Beer distributor.

Ticket Sales: Geri Christensen – meeting 1st part of May with Tracy to go over supplies. Amy Jonnson has asked to get the tickets earlier if possible.

Use of Grounds & Winter Storage: Jesse Baillargeon/Geri Christensen – Additional fee's: game show \$100/ pleasure show \$25 – up to 10 hour shift, anything after that would be an additional \$15 per hour, \$50 for a split show. Manure bunker – fee determined by what is charged by hauler, water truck is not available for use. Brandon Derosier makes a motion to accept the contract pricing as stated with the addition of the drag, 2nd Ted Johnson, motion carried. Fireworks event request for April 2017 – General policy is that grounds are not open until May 1st. Dale Wood – Sign up for winter storage load out.

New Business:

1: Action on Committee Reports – none needed at this time

2: Collin Anderson – Boy Scout, Presentation regarding the making of game tables. Becky Dickenson makes a motion to accept the generous donation of time and work to make 2 game tables and to provide \$200 for materials, Becky Larson 2nd. Motion carried.

3: 2016 Bid needs - Reviewed

4: Set next meeting date/April 28th, 2016 – 7 pm Annual Meeting, **West Conference Room**, Government Center in Balsam Lake

5: Board Responsibility

Upcoming Events:

Inmates: April 18th & 19th, 2016
July 11th & 12th, 2016
August 2nd, 3rd and 4th, 2016
October 3rd, 4th and 5th, 2016

2016 Calendar of Events

April 4-6	Zone 4 Meeting, Green Bay
April 13	District 3 Meeting, Crawford County
April 14	District 4 Meeting, Washington County
April 20	District 2 Meeting, Polk County
April 21	District 1 Meeting, Price County
October 5	District 2 Meeting, Dunn County
October 6	District 1, Oneida County

October 12	District 3, Grant County
October 13	District 4, Kenosha County
Nov. 27-30	IAFE Convention, Las Vegas, NV
January 8-11, 2017	WI Association of Fairs Convention, Chula Vista Resort

Adjournment motion made at 1002 pm by Rodney Rivard, 2nd by Becky Dickinson. Motion carried

Submitted, Kerri Slate, Secretary