

## Franklin County Agricultural Society Minutes for May 15, 2018 Meeting

President David Fleshman called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM. The following members were present: Denise Buerger, Debbie Johnson, Kathy McNutt, Rachel Bausch, David Fleshman, Cameron Krebs, Gary Fellure, Derek Vincent, Emily Gabriel, Chuck Buck, Dan Conkright, Shirley Russel, Andy Rice, Heath Fleshman, and Stan Willis. Rod Garnett, Fair Manager, and Steve Mazer, Maintenance Supervisor were also present.

Debbie Johnson led the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no minutes from the last meeting.

Cameron Krebs motioned to accept the treasurer's Report and Emily Gabriel seconded. Motion passed.

Rod Garnett presented the Fair Manager's Report. There were 34 events during the past four weeks. The new Grounds Crew/Maintenance Supervisor, Steve Mazer, was hired on May 1, 2018. Temporary office help is needed as soon as possible. The County Engineers office has completed the drainage lines in preferred parking and is working on the sanitary lines in the Burke which will connect to the swine barn. Two way mobile radios were purchased. 59 camping applications have been received on the website. Advanced tickets and Sr. Day tickets are being sold, and inside and outside commercial space contracts have started coming in. Cameron motioned to accept this report and Emily seconded. Motion passed.

### Committee Reports

*Junior Fair* – Entries are coming in slowly. The online store is open until 6/9/2018 and merchandise will be delivered on 6/25/2018. The Creative Baking Auction will be in memory of Tom McNutt since he began the auction 40 years ago.

*Livestock* – Emily motioned to purchase the Armstrong Agricultural Scales for \$3850 for the swine barn. Heath Fleshman seconded and motion passed. The scales will be picked up in Indianapolis.

*Entertainment* – Sr. Day tickets will be sold at the Senior Center. USTA would like to use shirts for prizes. 100 shirts cost \$225. Chuck Buck motioned to purchase shirts and Heath seconded. Motion passed. Spirit Night/Fundraiser at Texas Roadhouse will be 5/21/2018 and 6/11/2018 from 3-10 PM. Emily motioned for Woody's Towing to provide 13-14 cares for the Monster Truck event. We will provide 22 pit passes and a banner. Heath seconded, and the motion passed.

*Gates* – The radios are here. There will be free shipping on the Verizon devices.

*Contracts* – NetSteady Communications, Ltd. Will provide WiFi service free, but there will be a \$50/event fee. Paul Peterson Co. for entrance gates (42690). Emily motioned to accept these contracts and Dan Conkright seconded. Motion passed.

*Finance/Land* – Chuck left the meeting at 8:18 PM. An offer of \$290,000 was presented to the Trustees and a response should be given next week. A meeting with the Commissioners will be scheduled to discuss the payment plan. Heath Fleshman motioned to schedule the meetings and Kathy McNutt seconded. Motion passed.

#### Old Business

Cream of the Crop – Destination Hilliard, Jim Krebs, and Neale Distelhorst were nominated. Gary motioned to move forward with these three nominations and Kathy seconded. Motion passed.

Work Day – May 19, 10-4

#### New Business

Fairgrounds map – Barn 27 will be renamed the Swine Barn.

Fair Safety – Rod and Stephanie will create protocol for handling the media. They will come in Gate 5 and be escorted to locations. Their trucks will remain parked in the parking lot.

Cameron made the motion to adjourn, and Dan seconded. Motion passed, and the meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Denise Buerger, Secretary