

**Dakota County Agricultural Society
Board of Directors Meeting
April 3, 2017**

Meeting called to order at 7:11 pm by Vice-President Greg Casura, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

Board Present: Mark Henry (arrived 8:48pm), Pete Storlie, Cathy Busho, Greg Casura, Jeff Wright, Mike Slavik, Dan Muller, Marge Snyder, Ed Barrett, Roger Janak,

Board Absent: David Franzen, Mark Malecha

Guests Present: Mike Busho, Dan McNulty, Bob Helman, Ed Plant, Mark Bigalow

Staff Present: Gannon O'Meara, Kristine Smith

The agenda was approved with the removal of Ramble Jam Contract under Old Business. Motion by Ed Barrett, second by Dan Muller.

The March 6, 2017 minutes were approved with the correction of the spelling of Director Janak's name on page one of the minutes. Motion by Dan Muller, second by Roger Janak. Motion carried

Dakota City Report

Dakota City President Bob Helm gave a report. Reviewed Reese Winter proposals for monthly reconciliation. Working on job descriptions for staff.

Office Manager Report

Written report presented from Office Manager.

Maintenance Foreman Report

Monthly report given.

Finance Committee Report

Financials and checks and claims were presented.

Motion to pay checks as presented by Cathy Busho, second by Dan Muller. Motion carried.

Sales and Marketing Committee Report

Chair Greg Casura gave an update on preparations for the 2017 Fair.

Motion by Director Busho, second by Director Storlie to set Grandstand prices on Military Day at half price for immediate family members of the military, up to 4 tickets. Motion carried.

Motion by Director Busho, second by Director Storlie for 5 and under to be free at grandstand events. Motion carried.

Motion by Director Busho, second by Director Storlie to approve KOWZ radio contract for \$17,500. Motion carried.

Motion by Director Busho, second by Director Storlie to accept the Avengers replacement for the Monster Trucks, but negotiate price if possible. Motion carried.

Motion by Director Busho, second by Director Barrett to approve Saffire for website development and re-design to start immediately.

Facilities Committee Report

Facilities report given by Ed Barrett.

Motion by Director Muller, second by Director Wright to sell old hog pens on auction.

Building Committee Report

Chair Greg Casura gave an update on the status of the new 4H Building. Discussion of new concept based on recent discussions. 4H to have a different role in new building. More board members would like to be involved in the process and suggest all interested board members be invited to next building committee meeting.

Motion by Director Snyder, Second by Director Storlie to reconsider previous motion of specific site/design and continue looking at this new concept with alternate locations. Motion carried 7-2 with Casura and Busho voted present.

New Business

Twin Cities Fire Engine Club Contract: Dan McNulty discussed contract and was looking for a 2 year extension. Motion by Director Snyder, second by Director Muller to extend contract for two additional years. Motion carried.

Law Enforcement/Fire Contracts: Discussion on formalizing contracts and desire to go out for bid. Consensus to continue with Dakota County Sheriff's Department.

Motion by Director Muller and seconded by Director Storlie to approach Farmington Fire about a new contract and present in May. Motion carried.

Emergency Plans: discussion to upgrade emergency plans. Office Manager and Sheriff's Department will take the lead.

Directors tasks, duties and timelines for fair: Discussion coming from the Sales and Marketing Committee for the need for responsibilities to be in writing. Request to write up our individual roles.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Mike Slavik -Secretary