

Dakota County Agriculture Society
Board of Director Meeting
September 10th, 2018

Meeting called to order at 7p.m. by President Jeff Wright, followed by Pledge of Allegiance.

Board members present: Mark Henry, Sara Dingels, Cathy Busho, Greg Casura, Marge Snyder, Neil Deplazes, Pete Storlie, Mary Hendricks, Dan Muller, and Roger Janak.

Absent: Ed Barrett and Mark Malecha.

Others present: Staff- Kristine Smith. Guests: Mike Busho, Lenard Storlie,

Items added to the agenda: Old Business-Operations Agreement between DCHV & DCAS, & Length of Fair days, Finance-Payroll, Office Manager Report

Motion by Storlie and seconded by Henry to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: – **Motion** by Storlie and seconded by Busho to approve the minutes from the July 30th meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Dakota City Report: (See Report attached) Discussion about the Bank reenactment. DCHV did not want to have them back. **Motion** by Storlie to have the Bank reenactment event again next year. There was no second to the motion, Motion failed.

Casura said he would like to work with DCHV on the tractor pull.

Office Manager Report: The Office Manager reported that her office help had resigned. She reported that she would like to add to the rental agreements which we use for the rental properties.

Discussed the 1776 riders and if we should donate to them (\$500.00) which had been discussed.

Also, she asked if we should donate \$1,000.00 to Support our Troops.

Discussion on where to donate the extra money which was given for the 9/11 event. We received \$18,000.00 and the cost was \$14,500.00. **Motion** by Henry and seconded by Busho to donate the entire extra to the 9/11 group. Motion carried unanimously

Finance Committee Report: (See report attached.) **Motion** by Busho and seconded by Muller to approve the claims list subject to Mr. Deplazes approval after he has gone through it. Motion carried unanimously.

It was asked that all departments give a breakdown of the payroll during the fair to the Finance department.

It was also reported that we now have the new truck for maintenance.

Sales & Marketing Report: (See report attached.) Social media-Storlie said we need to do a better job.

Motion by Casura to bring back Jonny Holms for Thursday of Fair @ \$6500.00, Good for Gary on Friday @\$4,200.00, and IV Play on Saturday @\$3,700.00. Motion seconded by Busho. Motion carried unanimously.

Henry said we need to meet with Brian Watson before next year's fair. They have some concerns about using the extension office entrance.

Facilities Report: (See report attached.)

It was suggested to send out Thank-you cards. Also, the board should hand sign them. Discussed the drag strip for Mopar. Henry explained what we would need to build this road. Silo painting- Would like to get it done this fall, but if not possible, early spring. Would need about \$3,000.00 to get this done. **Motion** by Janak and seconded by Muller to allocate \$3,000.00 for the painting the silo. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Janak and seconded by Storlie to put the old truck on the auction this fall. Motion carried unanimously.

Old Business: The operations agreement between DCAS & DCHV was passed out. The board is to look it over and e-mail any questions or concerns to the fair office manager by Monday the 17th of September.

Number of Fair Days- Discussion was held on whether we should shorten the number of fair days. It was decided to take to each committee and discuss the pros or cons of whether to drop Sunday or Monday or both. Than bring this back to the Board.

New Business: Discussion on the number of board members. Should we change to eleven members rather than thirteen? **Motion** by Storlie to reduce the number of Board members to eleven. Motion seconded by Hendricks. Discussion was held. Motion failed

Motion by Muller to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Janak. Meeting was adjourned at 9:20p.m.

Submitted by
Marge Snyder
Secretary of DCAS