The Shelby County Ag Society met on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 in Senior Fair Office on the Shelby County Fairgrounds. The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by President Scott Bertsch. Roll call was taken with 19 members present. Also, in attendance were Chris Roediger, Katie Miller.

Secretary Report:

Tim Martin moved to accept the emailed August meeting minutes; Ben Brautigam seconded the motion; motion approved.

Treasure Report:

Tim Martin moved to accept the August EOM Treasurer's report; Ken Ihle seconded the motion; motion approved.

Jerry Schmidt moved to approved the September Bills To Be Paid; Tyler Geise seconded the motion; motion approved

Committee Reports:

Committee Chairs – Randy Bensman thanked those who helped out with Fine Arts.

Rides – Mitch Brautigam provided an update of the discussion with Josh from Primetime Amusements – the follow items were suggested –

3 year agreement with a 50/50 split – admission and ride bands – Primetime will keep all ride money collected at their box office

Gate prices - \$15, pre-sale \$13, exclusive on games, except Clawson stays

Rides will be operational on Sunday

Season passes will increase due to gate increase

Tim Martin made a motion to move forward with the Primetime proposal; Tyler Geise seconded the motion; motion approved.

Infield – Jake stated the he had poles to be installed in the infield and the availability of lights to be installed – thereby no longer renting lights for the tractor pull and demo derby, saving the Board \$1800 to \$2500 annually.

Open Swine Show – Judy shared there might be an issue with trailer parking for this show due to increased entries.

New Restrooms – There will be some adjustments needed to be made with the Antique Tractor Display and Car Show - there will be reduced parking for campers on Sunday -

Old Business:

Reverse Raffle – this event went well; should make around \$30K

<u>Waterline Project #2</u> – Mitch Brautigam moved to approve phase 2 of the waterline project for an amount of \$106,000; Brad Meyer seconded the motion; motion approved. This project will replace the water lines from the race horse barn to the Jr. Fair Horse Barn, plus those contacts in between – ie.. Adams Apple, Dairy Boosters and Boy Scouts

<u>ODA Fair Funding Request</u>: Brad Meyer moved to submit the Track Maintenance ODA Fair Funding Request for 2025; Jerry Schmidt seconded the motion; motion approved.

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<u>OMFA Convention – January 2 – 5, 2025</u> – it was shared that the per member cost will increase for 2025 due to additional festivities taking place by at least \$25 increase per attendee.

<u>Picnic Tables</u> – it was discussed the need of approximately 20 – 25 picnic tables to be build for 2025. Upper Valley Career Center will make the tables with the Board providing the material. Ryan will reach out to Conover Lumber for an estimated cost of material by the next meeting.

<u>Wash Pen Waterline Project</u>– Mitch Brautigam moved to complete the Wash Pen Waterline Project for \$21,800; Tyler Geise seconded the motion; motion approved.

OFMA Fall District Meeting: this will be held at Auglaize County Fairgrounds, October 23 at 7:00 PM

Chris:

Getting ready for storage

<u>Katie:</u>

Looking for a Grant to support the Ag Experience area

Junior Fair is running out of room for livestock projects there has been an 8% increase in 4H enrollment

<u>Adjournment:</u> Ben Brautigam moved to adjourn the meeting; Ken Ihle seconded the motion; motion approved.

September 18, 2024 _____

Date

President

Secretary