

The Shelby County Ag Society met on Wednesday, April 19, 2023 in the Shelby County Fair Office. The meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by President Eric Garber. Roll call was taken with 22 members present. Also, in attendance were Katie Hughes, Leah Meyer, Sophia Rowles, Kimberly Pistone and Chris Roediger.

Secretary Report:

Mike York moved to accept the emailed March meeting minutes; Bill Frey seconded the motion; motion approved.

Treasure Report:

Kevin Doseck moved to accept the March EOM treasure's report, Randy Bensman seconded the motion; motion approved

Jerry Schmidt moved to accept the April Bills to be Paid, Randy Bensman seconded the motion; motion approved

Committee Reports:

Entertainment: Jake Yinger stated that they were looking for a person to do the sound and lights for the fair.

Old Business:

Fair Book Changes: Please get them in to Carol or Bill soon, some of the pricing changes have been made on the Fair Book pages and Web Site

Gun Raffle Tickets: approximately 40 tickets are left to be sold. The plan is to do the drawing at the end of the next meeting.

OFMA District Meeting: Bill Clark attended the OMFA meeting in Findlay. The main topic was in regards to fair reporting to ODA. David stated that there are 18 fairs that have not turned in the financial reports for 2022. Junior Fair monies will not be distributed until all county reports are in.

Stage: Waiting on the new beam for the stage to be completed. Once it is in, then stage construction will begin.

Ticket Booth Roof (Highland Gate): we are currently waiting on 2 quotes to come in – 1 for a shingle roof and the other steel. Both should be for a pitched roof.

New Business:

Sponsorships: are coming in – some new ones – thanks to everyone that has helped

ODA Opt Out Rule: Kevin Doseck moved that we opt out of ODA rule 901-19-31 and 901-19-34, Jerry Schmidt seconded the motion, motion approved.

Summer Office Help: The office is looking for a person to back fill Michelle Garber's position due to her leaving at the end of the fair. Gene will provide requirements and the position will be posted on Facebook.

Sale Committee Building: The footers have been poured and the cement blocks have been set. Currently waiting for foundation backfill.

Office Computer: Tyler Geies moved to proceed with the purchase of 3 laptops for the front office, due to 2 of them being outdated and then have an additional 1 as a back up; Bill Frey seconded the motion, motion approved.

Energy Contract: Gene shared with the board that we have signed a new 5-year energy contract with Hudson via AES which will be an energy savings.

HB45: Gene shared with the board at per HB45 where all county fairs will receive \$47,872.34 from the state. Thoughts are to use these funds for the camping electric upgrade project. The board is scheduled to receive these funds within the next 3 weeks.

Misc. Discussion of shortening the dairy tent by 20' and change the traffic pattern on Saturday night, (last day of the fair) All trailers will leave via the Emerson Gate.

Chris:

Water Leaks: Chris shared that there are some water leaks that are yet to be found. One leak is near the Livestock Complex #1.

Camper Storage is out and horse work nights have begun.

Katie:

Next Junior Fair Board meeting will be Sunday, May 7, 2023 at 3:00PM

JFB Fundraiser: Leah Meyer, JFB President, and Sophia Rowles shared the following fundraisers for the 2023 fair. Cow Patty Bingo and a Dunk Tank on Thursday. The JFB Poultry committee will be collecting eggs during the fair which will be donated to the Soup Kitchen. JFB will be participating in Farm Credit's "Stock the Trailer" campaign to collect non-perishable items which will be donated to the local food pantries in the County.

Adjournment:

Kevin Doseck moved to adjourn the meeting; Bill Frey seconded the motion; motion approved.

_____ March 15, 2023 _____

President

Date

Secretary