

**The Shelby County Ag Society** met on Wednesday, March 15, 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 23 members present. Also, in attendance were Katie Hughes, Jeff Poeppelman and Carol Pierce.

**Secretary Report:**

Bill Frey moved to accept the emailed February meeting minutes; Tyler Geise seconded the motion; motion approved.

**Treasure Report:**

Mitch Brautigam moved to accept the February EOM treasure's report, Randy Bensman seconded the motion; motion approved

Jerry Schmidt moved to accept the March Bills to be Paid, Kevin Doseck seconded the motion; motion approved

**Livestock Complex #2:** Presentation by Jeff Poeppelman – per a drawing sent by Eric Schmeising. However; the drawing was incomplete. The board asked for it to be corrected and resent.

**Committee Reports:**

**Advertising:** Carol did a brief discussion regarding the billboard advertising, and the changes to the sponsorship packages. Some of the confirmed sponsors were shared.

**Entertainment:** Haywired is not booked for Tuesday and Limited Time is booked for Thursday night in the entertainment tent.

**Old Business:**

**Membership Passes:** Eugene stated that 2023 Fair Membership passes are available for \$5

**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 400 tickets have been sold to date or at least turned in.

**Shelby County Born and Raised Swine Show:** Mitch Brautigam moved to allow the Swine Born and Raised Show on Sunday during the fair and display donor banners during the show; Tim Everett seconded the motion; motion approved.

**OFMA District Meeting:** Will be at Hancock County Fairgrounds – April 15, at 4:00PM. A delegate from the county must attend in order to receive Fair Manager Passes. RSVP by April 7 – cost \$20 per person Please let Gene know if you plan on attending.

**Stage:** The old stage has been removed; new one needs constructed now. Tyler Geise moved to spend up to \$2000 for concrete and beam for the new stage, Kevin Doseck seconded the motion; motion approved.

**New Business:**

**Ticket Booth Roof:** Chris is requesting quotes

**IAFE Area Meeting:** Jerry Schmidt moved to allow Bill to attend the meeting in Millersburg April 27-29 - \$100 registration fee + \$140 plus tax, Jake Yinger seconded the motion; motion approved

**Fair Passes:** Shannon Roberts asked about the status of 4-H clubs selling weekly fair passes. Gene and Shannon will follow up with a distribution date and the tracking of passes.

**Upcoming project:** the following information was shared regarding potential upcoming projects: Camping Electrical Upgrade - \$193,250 , In Field Lighting \$53,000 and HVAC in Clopay Building - \$150,000. Bill will be researching and applying for grants to some of these future projects.

**Chris:**

**Not available due to issue with one of the county buildings**

**Katie:**

Next Junior Fair Board meeting will be Sunday, March 19, 2023 at 6:00PM

**Adjournment:**

Mitch Brautigam moved to adjourn the meeting; Kevin Doseck seconded the motion; motion approved.

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President

March 15, 2023 \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Secretary