

**The Shelby County Ag Society** met on Wednesday, October 16, 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 Katie Miller.

**Secretary Report:**

Mike York moved to accept the emailed September meeting minutes with corrections of the duplicate entries; Bill Frey seconded the motion; motion approved.

**Treasure Report:**

Jake Yinger moved to accept the September EOM Treasurer's report; Bill Frey seconded the motion; motion approved.

There were some discussions regarding the potential increase to gate prices for 2025. There was discussion regarding other services that may be available to fair attendees... Eugene did answer questions regarding the deficit in this year's treasurers report.

Jerry Schmidt moved to approved the October Bills To Be Paid; Brad Meyer seconded the motion; motion approved

**Committee Reports:**

**Committee Chairs** – questions regarding boosting entertainment and moving the Human Tractor Pull event.

**Infield** – Jake stated the he had poles to be installed in the infield and the availability of lights to be installed. Jake shared that Area Energy and Electric provided an estimate of \$2000 to complete this work. After some discussion – Randy Bensman stated that he had the equipment to set the poles (4). Randy and Jake will work out the particulars .. the plan is for the poles to be installed this fall.

**Old Business:**

**Picnic Tables** – cost of materials is needed before this project can proceed. Upper Valley Career Center can build the tables and do the laser engraving. However; the cost needs to be determined and how much the board will charge; before rolling this out to the public.

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

**OMFA Convention – January 2 – 5, 2025** – 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.

**Ohio Harness Racing Banquet** – Scott and Brad plan on attending – October 27

**New Business:**

