

DELAWARE COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
BOARD MEETING
JUNE 17, 2014

ATTENDANCE

Present – Jackie Colflesh, Dan Huffman, Brad Jolliff, Joe McLead, Al Myers, Pat Paykoff, Loren Pool, Frank Reinhard, Carolyn Riggle, Aaron Roll, Tom Roll, Colleen Smith, Chip Thomson, Diane Winters, Don Wolf, Harold Wolford, Tom Wright and D.J. Young

Absent – Don Howard, Larry Moreland and P.J. Terry

Ex-Officio – Laryssa Hook present

GUESTS

Randy DeVault, Rex DeVault, Lindsay Brevler, Shaelyn Bendele, Ellen Dicken, and Logan Sellers

MINUTES

Colleen Smith moved and Chip Thomson seconded the minutes of the May 20th board meeting be approved as printed. The motion carried.

TREASURERS REPORT

Dan Huffman presented the report. He passed out a Balance Sheet, a Profit & Loss Statement, an Accounts Payable Statement and Accounts Payable Statement. After reviewing each statement, Tom Roll moved and Don Wolf seconded the report be approved. The motion carried. Huffman then asked the board for approval to pay Maloney and Navotny \$5,000. Chip Thomson so moved with a second from Diane Winters. The motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Frank Reinhard reported for the committee and discussed the minutes of the committee meeting of June 9, a copy of which was handed out to the directors. He stated that the next meeting of the committee would be July 7, 2014 at 5:30PM at the Fair Office. Discussion centered on a request by Phil Terry for the board to pay additional reimbursement on his health insurance due to a premium increase. He also requested the board pay for his Medicare premium. Following the discussion, Chip Thomson moved and Tom Roll seconded the additional premium for the health insurance be paid but the Medicare premium not be paid. The motion carried. Next was discussion on the terms of the renewal of the loan with PNC and DCB. Colleen Smith moved and Joe McLead seconded that Al Myers and Tom Wright be authorized to sign the new note. The motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE

No report

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Al Myers reported on two items the Committee had dealt with since the May board meeting. The first was the replacement of cross arms on electric poles due to the deterioration of the existing cross arms due to age. The Executive Committee approved the purchase of the cross arms due to the need to order the material in order to have it before the fair. The second item involved the need to replace underground electric lines in the first row of the 4H Campground. There are currently 8 spaces that have electric and 4 that do not. The proposal was to add electric in conduit to the 4 spaces since the electric line would be going thru those 4 spaces anyway to get to the other 8 spaces. Discussion followed on the fact that the current line created a number of problems during the 2013 fair and it only made sense to do all of the spaces. The cost of the entire repair would be a little over \$7,000 with the 4 new electric spaces comprising about \$600 of that total. Additional discussion centered on the safety issue of not fixing the electric. Loren Pool moved and Carolyn Riggle seconded the electric in the 4H Campground be fixed and electric be added to the 4 spaces in the first row. The motion carried.

AGRICULTURAL & EXHIBITS COMMITTEE

Aaron Roll reported and announced the next committee meeting would be 6/21.

COMMUNITY/MEDIA/ADVERTISING COMMITTEE

Bill Lowe reported that an agreement had been reached with radio station WDLR, and its two sister stations to carry all four days of racing, broadcast each day at the fair, broadcast both nights of the 4H sales and sponsor the entertainment stage next to the Coliseum. The fair will in turn purchase a commercial package that will run from mid-August thru the fair on all 3 stations.

SECURITY/MEDICAL/STAFFING/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

No report

MOTOR SPORTS COMMITTEE

No report

FACILITY AND FACILITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Pat Paykoff reported and discussed a field trip that several board members took to the Madison County Fairgrounds in London to look at their new multi-purpose building. Paykoff also discussed the status of the proposed remodel of the Junior

Fair Building. President Myers asked for some numbers so he can keep the County Commissioners updated. There was also discussion on the Hoop Barn and what was needed to finish that project. The subject was raised about posts being in the stalls and wondering how damage horses would do to the posts from gnawing on the wood.

RACING COMMITTEE

Tom Wright reported. He discussed the recent press release announcing the televising of the Jug on CBS Sports Network. He also discussed the joint series of races with Scioto Downs for older horses that should add some horses to the Delaware race program. He also discussed the \$40,000 donation from the Hill Estate with the intent of the funds to go toward harness racing. The need for roof and barn repair of the horse barns was discussed and Wright suggested that would be a great thing to put the money toward. Wright then moved that the money be used for barn and roof repair of horse barns with the Facilities Committee administering the work. Carolyn Riggle seconded. The motion carried. Wright then asked the board for reimbursement of his expenses to attend the Harness Racing Hall Of Fame ceremonies in Goshen New York. Chip Thomson moved and Colleen Smith seconded. The motion carried.

WALL OF FAME

Chip Thomson reported that Dr. Don Mossbarger of Midland Acres, one of the top breeders in the sport, has been named the 2014 Wall of Fame Honoree.

HOSPITALITY/ENTERTAINMENT & SPECIAL EVENTS COMMITTEE

Carolyn Riggle announced that Dave Whinham with Free For All Concerts had informed her that the Monday night fair concert would feature The Marshall Tucker Band and the band Wet Willy with an as yet to be named opening act.

HORSE PARADE

Diane Winters announced to the board that the Masonic Lodge had voted not to be the primary sponsor of the All Horse Parade. Discussion followed regarding what a difficult situation this has put the Fair and the Parade by making this decision less 80 days before the event.

FIBER OPTIC COMMITTEE

Frank Reinhard reported and stated that the project needs the approval of the County Commissioners and that a vote by the Commissioners should be coming shortly. Bill Lowe reported on reaching an agreement with Consolidated Electric on a 5 year sponsorship agreement in trade for the fiber optic materials needed for the project.

NEW BUSINESS

Bill Lowe presented a proposal from the American Legion on the renewal of their rental of the Log Cabin. Chip Thomson moved and Loren Pool seconded the proposal be approved as presented. The motion carried with Al Myers and Aaron Roll voting no, because the proposal did not address the issue of the excessive propane bills the board incurs when the Cabin is used in the winter. Lowe presented the fair trash contract proposal from Capital Waste which ended up being \$85 more than the 2013 contract. Colleen Smith moved and Jackie Colflesh seconded the proposal be accepted. The motion carried. Harold Wolford proposed the board move the date of the annual election of board members because it conflicts with Veterans Day. Following a discussion on the topic, Wolford moved and Diane Winters seconded the date be moved to November 12th, 2014.

OLD BUSINESS

Bill Lowe discussed the long standing policy to pay Jack Taylor and Steve Vaughn \$1,000 each in July and \$1,000 each after the fair to help compensate for all of their extra hours worked. Following a long discussion, Carolyn Riggle moved to leave the policy as is, but to implement some type of evaluation policy after the fair. A vote was taken with 9 voting for the motion and 8 against (Al Myers, Chip Thomson, Diane Winters, Brad Joliff, Aaron Roll, Tom Roll, Frank Reinhard and Loren Pool). The motion carried.

There being no further business, Chip Thomson moved and Carolyn Riggle seconded the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried.

Al Myers, President

Bill Lowe, General Manager