

Calhoun County Agricultural & Industrial Society

Minutes of Board Meeting

March 20th, 2017 – Marshall Middle School - 7:00 PM

Call to Order

The March 20th, 2017 Board meeting was called to order by CCAIS Board President, Vic Potter at 7:00 pm at the Marshall Middle School.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Nick Collier.

Attendance with Roll Call was conducted by Megan Harvey.

Present: Vic Potter, Doug Wildt, Amanda Shreve, Steven Benham, Tom Karr, Art Kale, Erik Myers, Nick Collier, Matt Ivey Excused: James Olds, Susan Baldwin

Approval of Agenda – It was motioned by Amanda Shreve to add Bank Resolution to the agenda. With changes the agenda was it motioned by Art Kale, seconded by Steve Benham, to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Secretary's report of the February 20th, 2017 minutes was given by Megan Harvey. Motion was made by Tom Carr, seconded by Doug Wildt, to file the minutes as presented. Motion passed.

Treasurer and Finance Committee Reports – Amanda Shreve presented the report. Motion was made by Steven Benham, seconded by Tom Carr, to accept and file the Treasurer's report. Motion passed.

Executive Director's Report – Megan Harvey gave the Executive Director's report. Spring Clean up will be held April 15th at the Fairgrounds, any and all volunteers are welcome to come, bring gloves, rakes and shovels to help beautify the fairgrounds for the 2017 Season. The All Things Vintage will be held April 23rd, there are 15 campers registered and 20 vendors for the event so far, and continually coming in daily.

Winter Storage will be coming out this coming Saturday, March 25th beginning at 9am, there will need to be a few volunteers to spot/assist customers.

Sponsorships are coming along very well.

Congratulations to Amanda Shreve for receiving the Michigan FFA Alumni award this past weekend for all of her hard work and dedication to FFA and the Marshall FFA.

Public Comment - requested for any agenda items.

None.

New Business:

- A. Mortgage Resolution** – Megan Harvey explained the mortgage was balloon interest rate 5 years ago, and it was time to renew the mortgage. The interest rate would be 5% rather than 5.7%. We will continue to make the same payment. The mortgage is currently \$108, 133.41. Roll call vote was completed to obtain the 5% interest rate, all were in favor.
- A. Floyd Beneker Lifetime Award** – Amanda Shreve stated that the CCAIS Lifetime award was presented to Floyd Beneker at the CCAIS Annual Meeting, sadly Floyd passed away not even a week later, it was asked that CCAIS award his wife, Judy Beneker with the lifetime award for her support to the CCAIS. Motion was made by Amanda Shreve, supported by Tom Carr to give award Judy with Floyd’s Lifetime Membership.
- B. Millionaire Party Chair** – Megan Harvey stated we are still looking for a chair for the event.

Committee Reports

- A. Operations Committee** – Ryan Harvey stated that there were 2 trees that were struck by lightning during the storm two weeks ago, an arborist has looked at the trees and has stated the trees should recover. He and Matt Ivey plan to get together in the next few weeks to discuss the Master Plan and moving forward.
- B. Marketing Committee** – Megan Harvey reported that she has been working with MAEDA on advertising, marketing for all events. She has been looking into having a text database to push out all events.
- C. Superintendent Committee** – Megan Harvey reported that one superintendent has requested an assistant. The background checks had been done, just waiting for the board to approve it.

- D. Small Animal Auction Committee** – Tom Carr reported that the Small and Large Animal Auction Committees have merged and all is going as scheduled.
- E. Large Animal Auction Committee** – See report for Small Auction.
- F. Livestock Committee** – No Report.
- G. Master Plan Committee** – Matt stated that he will be getting a committee together to begin moving forward.
- H. Policy & Procedure Committee** – No Report.
- I. Millionaire Raffle Committee** – no report

Events and Community Reports:

- A. 4H Council** – Marilyn Letts reported that the 4H Lemonade Stand will be having a few outings at Cool Mama’s in Battle Creek,
- B. FFA Report** – Lora Finch stated that Marshall FFA completed in district and regional leadership skills contests. The Plant Sale was coming up at the Fairgrounds May 4,5,6th. The last weekend was the Michigan State FFA Alumni meeting, and Amanda Shreve received the State FFA Alumni award.
- C. Floral Hall Building** – John Taylor reported he had nothing at this time.
- D. Houston School** – no report.
- E. Maple Grove Church** – Margaret Taylor reported there was no new report.
- F. Fair Museum** – no report.
- G. Cruise the Fountain** – Megan reported that the show will be one day with pre-registration Friday night before.
- H. Fundraisers/Golf Outing** – Amanda Shreve reported nothing new at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT – three minute time limit and one opportunity to speak.

Phyllis Gresly asked how much the Merry Mile raised. Amanda Shreve responded with approx. \$25,000.

Margaret Taylor reported that the Grange will be providing hot dogs and chips for the Spring Clean Up.

Kathy Fischer reported that there was a tractor driver, equipment training at Stealy Farms. It was sponsored by Stealy Farms and Greenmark Equipment. 10 Kids participated, 5 received their OTR license, it was a 9 week class.

Kathy also reported that KCC and FFA have partnered together to offer Ag Tech classes. Students that have received their State Degree will be able to receive college credits.

Kathy reported that 4H and the CCAIS have partnered together for project days on April 4th at the BE Henry Building.

Marilyn Letts stated that she was able to go to the State FFA Convention and she reported she was super impressed by the behavior of the FFA Members.

BOARD COMMENTS –

Matt Ivey reported the Master Plan would be meeting to get things in place to keep moving forward.

Adjournment – Motion was made by Steven Benham, seconded by Tom Carr, to adjourn the meeting at 7:48pm. Motion passed.

Submitted by Megan Harvey, CCAIS Executive Director