

# CCAIS Board Meeting

April 17, 2019

Called to order by V Potter

Roll Call – 10 present, Baldwin Absent

Resolution for H Horton to take minutes – motion D Wildt 2<sup>nd</sup> Olds. 10 in favor, 1 absent

Pledge – led by V Potter

Approval of the Agenda - Motion B DeSmet 2<sup>nd</sup> B Rapp – all in favor

Secretary Report – Motion B DeSmet 2<sup>nd</sup> D Wildt – all in favor

Treasurer's Report – B DeSmet

Authorized Signers V Potter, D Wildt, J Olds. The line of credit can only be accessed with Board Approval. Meeting with accountant scheduled for 4-30-19 to discuss fund balances. Chemical account \$100,573.41 Southern Michigan account \$29,482.81

Motion B Rapp 2<sup>nd</sup> E Myers to accept the treasurer's report – all in favor

**Managers Report** – J Rice read report, upcoming car show, and fair clean up. Watson Diesel truck pull, vintage camper show and other exciting events on the calendar.

**Members of Audience Comment on Agenda items only –**

T Lowman – Warren St Camping 81-84 spots, \$35 a spot she manages, flags and collects money to turn into office.

Tracy Malone - consideration for 2019 to maintain the back riding arena. Events scheduled for summer. D Wildt stated the board understands that and it will be available for 2019.

Marilyn Letts – Front Arena neighbors complained in the past.

Trent Neil – Stated he knows he can show, would like to show and sell. Stated his past experience.

**Discussion Items –**

**Back Horse Arena**

T Lowman – Back horse arena used for shows, practices and club riding. 74 participants in club. Ask board to table until after July 21<sup>st</sup>. The Horse leaders association is nonprofit, money from shows used to rent stalls, porta potty, purchase ribbons, and cover cost of judges. The association can't afford to maintain 2 arenas.

Ashley Adams – suitable stalls need to be provided.

D Wildt – Stalls were provided, they wanted different stalls.

B Rapp – What would it cost to purchase new stalls?

C Riddle – Adding a PA system and maintaining the front arena allows for fair expansion. Questions who pays the porta potty?

J Rice – conflicting date with other events, use of comfort center will need to be worked out.

B DeSmet – suggest that a group of 3 board members and the horse leaders association meet before fair to discuss.

**Warren St Camping** – As indicated before the board will be discussing the camping fee and will need to be handled through the office. Jen will work with T Lowman on layout and reserving spots.

### **Action Items:**

#### **Livestock Committee Recommendations –**

H Horton – The livestock committee recommends that the board allow Emily Swift and Ross Wallen residents of Calhoun County to be able to show and sell at the Calhoun Co Fair 2019. 2<sup>nd</sup> Wildt

Discussion- Olds questioned residency, Horton verified it is Calhoun Co. Vote- All in Favor

H Horton – The livestock committee recommends that the board allow Trent Neil to show in 2019 and auction withheld until 2020 2<sup>nd</sup> Wildt

Discussion- Horton explained the rules in the fairbook, why we have an age out rule, that he has aged out of Barry Co. Riddle asked the youth if he felt that was fair. Trent wants to auction, has local buyers ready. Wildt, stated we can't take away from our county fair kids. He can still sell his animal just not in the fair auction.

Motion retracted.

Motion made by H Horton to allow Trent Neil to be able to show in 2019. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wildt. Roll call vote, passes 10-0- 1 absent

Motion made by H Horton to allow Trent Neil to auction in 2020. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wildt

Discussion- Riddle, can you not compete in final drive and still sell? Potter, sets precedence, Olds, are these voted on case by case? Roll call vote, passes 10-0-1 absent

Motion made by Horton to allow Trent Neil to auction in 2019 2<sup>nd</sup> by Wildt Roll call vote in Favor: Olds, Benham, Rapp, Riddle, DeSmet. Not in Favor: Potter, Wildt, Meyers, Swafford, Horton. Tie vote Motion fails according to Robert's Rules of Order.

### **Committee Reports-**

**Operations Committee-** E Myers – water turned on, leaks fixed, Fair Clean up scheduled. J Olds, leaf blower fixed? H Horton, Dump station status, waiting to see if we get the grant.

**Livestock Committee-** participation forms due, committee is looking at scales to purchase.

**Non Livestock Committee-** J Rice, meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, working on filling vacancies. Recently filled youth open class and non livestock auction positions.

**Non livestock Auction Committee-** H Horton, appreciated Michelle Albrecht for stepping up. She is looking to enlarge this area and will be getting committee members set.

### **Events and Community Reports:**

4-H Council – M Letts, the council decided this year’s theme is “to make the best better.... together”

### **Public Comment:**

J Wilson – 2 day beef show 90 kids and 160 animals. The ground work is done, Thank you to Steve Benham for his help and support.

Leann Fischabber – clarification box stalls are rented by the horse leaders association, stalls were provided by the participants in the past.

Stacy Coats – Stated Horse Superintendent provided a list of repairs and they haven’t been notified. Jen will follow up.

Laura McFadden – decrease in participation, don’t want it to die off.

Kim Day – 5<sup>th</sup> generation family at the fair, commends Trent for speaking, the dump station location needs to be considered. (Potter replied, waiting to grant)

F McMillen Where are we with the land purchase? (Potter, we’ve signed a sales agreement, waiting for the line of credit)

K Fischer – read a letter concerning a meeting held.

### **Board Comments:**

J Olds / J Rice – spring clean up Saturday 9-4 leave pick up, bring your leaf blowers and rakes. The fair will have a skid steer, billy goat blower and dump truck running.

Chip Riddle stated he dislikes the livestock vs horses that keeps being brought up. We are one fair. There isn’t money to do the extras.

H Horton – clarified the fair does not make money off the livestock auction.

Adj 8:17 - V Potter