

ARMADA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
ANNUAL MEETING
December 1, 2008

CALL TO ORDER:

The December 1, 2008 Annual Board Meeting of the Armada Agricultural Society was called to order by President Ken Goike at 7:00 p.m. at the Creekside K of C Hall on North Avenue in Armada, Michigan with Mike Bohm as Recording Secretary.

PLEDGE OF ALEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

Present: Nancy Bliss, Mike Bohm, Jim Brohl, Ted Corey, Ted Dalia, Mary Ebert, Jim Eckhout, Ken Goike Jr., Ken Goike Sr., Jim Hanvey, Phillip Kent, Robert Lotan, Dennis Marcath, Dean Reinhardt, Fran Reygaert, Bill Schapman, Gerald Spriet, Dave Sutton, Mark Sweeney, Gary Witt.

Absent: None

AGENDA:

Motion made by Gerald Spriet supported by Dean Reinhardt to accept agenda. **Motion Carried.**

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Motion by Fran Reygaert supported by Ted Corey to approve the December 3, 2007 Annual Meeting Minutes. **Motion Carried.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion by Dave Sutton and supported by Phil Kent to accept 120 day Treasurer's Report. **Motion Carried.**

COMMUNICATIONS:

None.

INTRODUCTION OF CANDIDATES:

Phil Ballard, Mike Bohm, Ted Corey, Jim Eckhout, Don Eison, Pat Fons, Charles Gietzen Sr., Robert Kitchen, Bob Lotan, Dennis Marcath, Steve Marcath, Bill Schapman, Phil Smith, Dave Sutton, Robert Tibbits.

RECOMMENDED CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAW CHANGES:

President Goike presented the proposed constitution and by-law changes to the general membership and board. A motion was made by Jim Eckhout and supported by Dave Sutton to approve the proposed changes. **Motion Carried.**

ELECTION:

General membership voted on the proposed changes to the Constitution and By-Laws and also voted for seven board members.

The membership approved all changes to the Constitution and By-Laws and elected 7 board members. The members were: Phil Ballard, Mike Bohm, Ted Corey, Jim Eckhout, Dennis Marcath, Bill Schapman, and Robert Tibbits.

Motion by Dean Reinhardt and supported by Gerald Spriet to destroy the ballots. **Motion Carried.**

PRESIDENT GOIKE'S REPORT:

President Goike informed the general assembly of donations given by the Armada Agricultural Society to the local area. President Goike also informed the general assembly of how the Armada Fair Grounds is being used by local agencies.

President Goike informed the board that a 12 year attendance record was set for the 2008 Armada Fair.

President Goike wanted to personally thank Leif and Carol Carlson for all of their help before and during the fair.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP DISCUSSION:

Motion by Mark Ureel that was supported by Mary Goike to have the 2009 Armada Fair Dates be August 18-23 of 2009.

President Goike discussed moving the tractor pull to Tuesday night and trying to make it a national point's pull, hoping to attract bigger and better pulling tractors to the fair. Eileen Theut and Ed Shoobridge both felt this would not be a good idea. Ed felt that most pullers would not travel the distance for a one night pull and also take a chance of damaging their equipment prior to the national pull in Bowling Green, Ohio.

President Goike discussed the Cohoon property purchase and decision of the board not to pursue the purchase of the property due to the economic down turn in real estate.

Motion by Irene Couture and supported by Dave Kent to name the Scholarship fund after Bill Hahn. The Scholarship will now be known as "**The Bill Hahn Memorial Scholarship-Sponsored by the Armada Fair Agricultural Society**".

Motion by Dave Vogt supported by Mark Ureel to purchase a brick paver in memory of Ruth Ann Montgomery. **Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Dean Reinhardt supported by Gerald Spriet to adjourn. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

