

ARMADA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

March 1, 2010

CALL TO ORDER:

The March 1, 2010 Board Meeting of the Armada Agricultural Society was called to order by Vice President Jim Eckhout Jr. at 7:00 p.m. at the Armada Fair Office with Mike Bohm as Recording Secretary.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Phil Ballard, Nancy Bliss, Mike Bohm, Jim Brohl, Ted Corey, Ted Dalia, Mary Ebert, Jim Eckhout, Jim Hanvey, Phillip Kent, Rob Kitchen, Dennis Marcath, Dean Reinhardt, Fran Reygaert, Bill Schapman, Gerald Spriet, Mark Sweeney, Robert Tibbits, Gary Witt.

Absent: Ken Goike Jr, Ken Goike Sr.

AGENDA:

The Agenda was amended with the additions to Communications; I-Relay for Life and J-Thank You from Mary Powers. A motion by Fran Reygaert to accept March 1, 2010 Amended Agenda, motion was supported by Rob Kitchen. **Motion Carried.**

GUESTS:

Eugene DeHondt was present to discuss building portable electrical boxes for the campers.

Barry Beltz from Great Lakes Fireworks gave a presentation on a Fireworks display for the 2010 Armada Fair.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A motion was made by Rob Tibbits and supported by Gerry Spriet to accept Treasurer's report as presented. **Motion Carried.**

COMMUNICATIONS

*Read letter from Armada Lioness regarding fundraiser for Don Marcath's son. A motion was made by Ted Dalia supported by Bill Schapman to donate \$50.00 to the fundraiser. **Motion Carried**

*Read e-mail from Macomb Kennel Club informing the Armada Fair board that there was an opportunity to advertise in their catalog for the upcoming dog show at the Armada Fairgrounds. A motion was made by Ted Dalia and supported by Phil Kent to purchase a ½ page add totaling \$40.00. **Motion Carried.**

*Read comment from Armada Fair Face Book page regarding event seating at the Armada Fair.

*Read letter from Holy Cross Catholic School asking for a donation to their annual Auction/Dinner fund raiser. A motion was made by Ted Corey and supported by Phil Ballard to donate an Armada Fair Gift Basket which will include 2-Adult admissions, 1-Child admission, 1-Full day parking pass, and Armada Fair advertising items. **Motion Carried.**

*Read e-mail from our MAFE representative E.J. Brown regarding the Michigan Smoking Ban and how it might affect our industry.

*Read letter from Armada Little League looking for team sponsors. A motion was made by Phil Kent and supported by Gary Witt to sponsor a little league team for \$250.00.

Motion Carried.

*Read letter from Armada Schools regarding "Drugs are Trash" trash bag fundraiser. A motion was made by Dean Reinhart and supported by Gerry Spriet to purchase the same number of trash bags as last year. **Motion Carried.**

*Scott Fox requested the use of the Armada Fairgrounds for an annual Hog Jackpot Show on May 29, 2010. A motion was made by Fran Reygaert and supported by Dean Reinhart to rent Scott Fox the Fairgrounds under the same terms as last year. **Motion Carried.**

*Read letter from Irene Schapman regarding the upcoming event Relay for Life. Irene and her team will be participating in the walk and are looking for donations. A motion was made by Rob Kitchen and supported by Dean Reinhardt to donate \$150.00 to Relay for Life. **Motion Carried.**

*Read Thank you note from Mary Powers regarding the new copier for the office.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Accident Fund (Worker's Compensation)	\$4317.00
Ace Hardware	\$37.16
Jim Brohl (Reimbursement Goat Barn)	\$1443.49
Korte's	\$110.43
National City Visa	Pending
Petty Cash	\$5.00
Purchase Power (Pitney Bowes-Postage Meter)	\$206.99
Reliable (Colored Paper)	\$134.85
Sound Engineering	\$2968.00
Stitches and Style	\$111.00
SWOTPA-Deposit for Tractor Pull	\$575.00
Waste Management	\$102.89

Additional Bills:

Phil Ballard (Salt)	\$16.94
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REPORT OF STANDING/SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Nancy Bliss-Armada Fair Queen Pageant will be held at the Armada High School on March 19, 2010.

Sponsorship letters have been mailed to potential Armada Fair Sponsors.

The sponsorship committee will be with potential sponsor Buffalo Wild Wings.

Uncle Kracker as a potential entertainer for the Armada Fair is not going to happen.

Dean Reinhardt-Asked for the boards input regarding the services provided by Jay Brendel's Porta Johns last year. A motion was made by Fran Reygaert and

supported by Phil Kent to enter into a contract with Jay Brendel's for the 2010 Armada Fair.

The power boxes we borrowed from the Sandusky Fair for the campers will not be available this year. To build our own boxes the cost will be around \$7000.00 for the required number of boxes.

Gerry Spriet-Refreshment Tent is all set.

Dennis Marcath-Discussed several options for Monday evening entertainment at the 2010 Armada Fair. A motion was made by Phil Ballard and supported by Dean Reinhardt to have the Bump-N-Run. **Motion Carried.**

Rob Kitchen-Weather Guards are in for the Goat Barn and need to be installed.
Suggested having a Pre-Power Sports Weekend Clean-up.

Phil Kent-Meet with Esther English regarding the Power Sports Weekend and everything is in order.

Rob Ribbits-Will meet with Nancy Bliss regarding needed repairs to the Queen's Float.

Fran Reygaert-reminded the board about licensing and insurance for the Power Sports Weekend

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The board decided that there will not be a general parade during the 2010 Armada Fair.

Discussion ensued regarding switching from the Danish Judging system to the American Judging system the decision was to table the decision until later.

Storage costs of \$100.00 per month were found to be too expensive to store archived Armada Fair records. The decision was made to continue to store the records in Fran Reygaert's Basement.

A office budget was set at \$15,000. A motion was made by Phil Kent and supported by Dean Reinhardt to approve the budget. **Motion Carried.**

Jim Hanvey's van will be removed from the Fairgrounds by end of March

NEW BUSINESS

A budget was set for \$1000.00 to purchase sign making materials. A motion was made by Ted Corey and supported by Jim Hanvey to purchase required materials. **Motion Carried.**

Livestock sale tickets need to be ordered.

Livestock Sale Committee asked to combine their order for ribbons and plaques with the Armada Fair in order to receive a larger discount. The board agreed to combine the orders.

Attendance #'s for certain areas of the fair would be beneficial for future sponsorships

The 2010 Armada Fair Brochure was submitted for review.

It was decided that the monthly copier expense be treated as a monthly expense and not need monthly board approval.

VICE-PRESIDENT ECKHOUT'S REPORT

Proper communication is important! He has received several communications regarding incorrect information about the Armada Fair 2010 opening day along with incorrect information regarding certain board decisions.

PRESIDENT GOIKE'S REPORT

Not Present.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Nancy Bliss and supported by Mark Sweeney to adjourn. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Submitted by Recording Secretary Mike Bohm