

ARMADA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY  
BOARD MEETING  
March 2, 2009

**CALL TO ORDER:**

The March 2, 2009 Board Meeting of the Armada Agricultural Society was called to order by Vice President Jim Eckhout at 7:00 p.m. at the Armada Fair Office with Mike Bohm as Recording Secretary.

**ROLL CALL:**

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

**Absent:** Nancy Bliss, Ken Goike Jr., Ken Goike Sr., Jim Hanvey,

**AGENDA:**

Add to Agenda under item #9 Unfinished Business letter B. Stitches & Styles Contract. Motion was made Bill Schapman and supported by Gary Witt to accept agenda with addition. **Motion Carried.**

**GUESTS:**

Barry Beltz and Bruce Tyree from Great Lakes Fireworks gave a presentation on Fireworks for the June Event and Armada Fair.

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Motion was made by Fran Reygaert and supported by Robert Tibbits to accept February 2, 2009 minutes. **Motion Carried.**

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

A motion was made by Dennis Marcath and supported by Mark Sweeney to accept the Treasurers report. **Motion Carried.**

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Read letter from Cinda Karlik from the MSU Extension office indicating that the Governor has cut budgets and all premiums will be eliminated for 2010.

Read letter from E.J. Brown, MAFE President stating that there will be 2009 State Fair.

Read letter from Armada Wrestling Club asking for a donation to help purchase trophies.

A motion was made by Phil Kent and supported by Dennis Marcath to donate \$200.00 to the Armada Wrestling Club. **Motion Carried**

**ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR DECEMBER:**

Accident Fund-Workmen's Comp Insurance	\$4313.00
Ace Hardware	\$96.31
Blue Flame Propane	165.07
Korte's	22.72
National City (Visa-Payment)	Statement Not Available

Petty Cash	11.66
Sam's Club-Supplies/Membership	88.42
UniqueScreen Media-Movie Theatre Advertising	3000.00
Additional Bills:	
Mid Michigan Mini Tractor Pulling Association	350.00

### **PAY BILLS**

Phil Kent made a motion to pay bills. The motion was supported by Phil Ballard.

**Motion Carried.**

### **STANDING COMMITTEES:**

Mary Ebert asked the fair board if they would like a Hospitality Tent for the June Event. The consensus was; it was not necessary.

Gerry Spriet-received 1 quote for Golf Carts. The price was \$200.00 per cart for the Armada Fair.

Robert Tibbits reminded fair board members about the 4-H meet-n-greet on 03-09 at 6:30 p.m.

Rob Kitchen informed the board that under the Dairy Goat section there will be a Supreme Udder class added in which a ribbon will be awarded but no premium money.

Bill Schapman informed the fair board that sponsors are needed for the Power Sports Weekend. Bleachers need to be updated to code. Costs can range from \$4000.00 to \$40,000.00 depending on how extensive of a rehab is done. A motion was made by Fran Reygaert and supported by Bill Schapman to bring the bleachers up to code, sandblast, paint, and install new lumber with costs not to exceed \$15,000.00. **Motion Carried.**

Gary Witt informed the fair board that the camping committee was looking into extending power to the camping area at or about a cost of \$15,000.00. This was tabled until further information could be provided.

Dean Reinhardt informed the fair board that he had a conversation with the Fire Chief about relocating the first aide station. The Fire Chief recommended that the Fair Board leave the first aide station where it is. The Fair Board discussed perhaps having two first aide stations. Dean will check and report back to the Fair Board.

Phil Kent informed the board that the water wagon, used in the arena area, has an engine and pump that are in need of major repair. A slightly used replacement engine and pump are available at no charge. The board gave Phil permission to pursue the replacement engine and pump.

Fran Reygaert informed the board that the cost of new picnic tables has raised to \$145.00 each. The Fair Board tabled a decision until a more accurate count of tables could be done. The Local Business Association would like the use the fairgrounds for their April 4 Easter Egg Hunt. Fran Reygaert made a motion that was supported by Phil Kent to allow the Armada Business Association to use the Fair Grounds for their Easter Egg Hunt. **Motion Carried.**

Fran informed the Fair Board that there would not be pictures on the trophies this year which would save the Fair approximately \$1,200.00.

Fran asked the Fair Board if they would like the Macomb County Hazardous Waste Control to be available during winter storage removal. A motion was made by Dean

Reinhardt and supported by Dennis Marcath to allow the Macomb County Hazardous Waste Control on the fairgrounds during winter storage removal. **Motion Carried.** Fran stated that a circuit breaker keeps tripping in the office. Gary Witt said he would look into the problem.

Fran asked the Fair Board for permission to apply for the Liquor License and Insurance for the Power Sports Weekend and the Armada Fair. A motion was made by Gary Witt and supported by Mary Ebert to apply for the Liquor License and Insurance for the Power Sports Weekend and Armada Fair. **Motion Carried.**

Fran informed the Fair Board that no ribbons would be needed for the 2009 Armada Fair due to the recycling of existing ribbons. However, ribbons will be needed for the 2010 fair.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

Dean Reinhardt informed the board that the Flying Star Rodeo contract was for \$8,800.00 not \$8,300.00 as previously stated. The contract is still lower than the other two rodeos. A motion was made by Bill Schapman and supported Gerry Spriet to correct the previous motion in the February 2, 2009 minutes to reflect the corrected amount. **Motion Carried.**

A motion was made by Ted Corey and supported by Phil Kent to give Stitches and Styles a \$7000.00 deposit to order necessary materials for the 2009 Armada Fair.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Dean Reinhardt presented contracts for Port a Johns and bathroom cleaning during the Armada Fair. A motion was made by Dean Reinhardt and supported by Fran Reygaert to hire Jay Brendal Port a Johns for the 2009 Armada Fair. **Motion Carried.**

Bill Schapman made a motion that was supported by Mark Sweeney to offer (4)4 packs of passes to the Armada Fair with a t-shirt. **Motion Carried.**

Mike Bohm presented contracts for two way radios to be used during the Armada Fair. It was recommended that Bear.Com be awarded the contract for \$24.00 per radio, the number of radios to be decided at a future date. A motion was made by Jim Brohl and supported by Gerry Spriet to accept the contract from Bear.Com for the two radios. **Motion Carried.**

Mike also presented information and pricing for insulating the main bathrooms and showers. It was decided to table further discussion until a later date.

#### **VICE-PRESIDENT ECKHOUT'S REPORT**

None

#### **PRESIDENT GOIKE'S REPORT**

None

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Dean Reinhardt supported by Jim Brohl to adjourn. **Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 10:03 p.m.

