

**Chippewa Co. Fair Board
Monthly Meeting
August 26, 2020**

The August 26, 2020 meeting of the Chippewa Co. Fair Board was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by President Jim Kronemeyer. Other officers present were Vice President -- Chandler French, Treasurer - Linda Leese and Corresponding Secretary - Barb Hillock, absent was Recording Secretary - Roxanna Rosebohm. Members present were April Batho, Heather Black, Ben Bourque, Charlie Brown, Chrissy Campbell, James DeGreif, Darren Keller, Scott Love, Steve McConkey, Dan Nettleton, John Smart and Andy Thompson. Absent were Jim Campbell, Casey Crimin, Jim Cryderman, Dean Goodman, Lynn MacArthur, Dee Wilson and Mike Zimmerman.

Minutes - Motion by C. Brown, second by D. Nettleton to accept the minutes of the July 8, 2020 meeting. Motion Carried.

Treasurer's report - Motion by A. Thompson, second by S. McConkey to receive the treasurer report as presented. Motion carried.
There were no bills to be paid.

Old business -

Electrical updates - The lights along the dog lag are up waiting to be wired in, the lights along the 4-H Building ramp are up. B. Bourque reported that they are still waiting for Kinross Twp. to do the digging to lay the lines needed. It was discussed that if the Twp. can not work on it within the next couple weeks, we should rent the equipment and get it done.

New business -

Corresponding Secretary report -

Convention - MAFE is asking how many is willing to go to convention in Grand Rapids in January. There would be lots of requirements so that state covid-19 requirements are followed. The other option presented by MAFE is having a virtual convention. It was decided that maybe we should not send anyone to convention this coming January, and as far as a virtual convention, it would be better if it was recorded so that the meetings could be watched at the members free time.

Convention Awards - The awards available are Hall of Fame (must have 20 years volunteering for the fair/ag business, with other community service projects and boards). Heritage Award - Must have at least 10 years of service to the fair/ag business). Youth Volunteer (16-21 years of age that has done a lot of volunteering throughout the fair year). Adult Volunteer (22 and older that has spent a lot of hours volunteering throughout the fair year).

It was decided as that we didn't have a fair this year, we would not be nominating a youth volunteer for 2020. The board will make a decision at the next meeting for the Hall of Fame and Heritage Awards. Motion by J. Smart, second by J. DeGreif to nominate Barb Hillock for the Adult Volunteer of the Year. Motion Carried.

Premium Book - If any superintendent has any changes they would like to make, they are due to Barb by the January meeting. Motion by B. Hillock, second by C. French to dedicate the 2021 Premium Book to Harley Boone. Motion carried.

Superintendents - The following superintendent positions are available - Dogs (Y/O), Sponsorships, Photography (O), Arts & Crafts, Drawing (O) & Painting (O), anyone interested let Barb know.

Trophies - We had 51 sponsors send in their trophy sponsorships for 2020, as there will not a fair this year, their sponsorship will be used for the 2021 fair. We are also in need of some trophies at this time - Car Show (best truck, best custom vehicle, people's choice vehicle, people's choice motorcycle), Rabbits (jr. showmanship)

B. Hillock would like to put together plans as to what we will do if we are still in this covid-19 requirements. J. Kronmeyer asked if we want to do anything, the members present agreed we will do something in 2021. Barb asked that superintendents come up with plans for if we are still in phase 5, one if we are in phase 4, of course if we are in phase 6 we will have a complete fair again. This is for all departments of the fair, we will then get together and come up with our plan for each phase.

Steer weigh-in/tagging -

The tagging would be held on December 5 at the fairgrounds with December 7 being the alternate tagging date for those animals out of the area only. Motion by J. Smart, second by C. French to go ahead with the weigh-in/tagging of steers on Dec. 5, with the alternate being Dec. 7. Motion carried.

Member terms up in January 2021 -

The following members terms are up Heather Black, Ben Bourque, Jim Cryderman Barb Hillock, Lynn MacArthur, Dan Nettleton, John Smart and Dee Wilson. The nominating committee will be A. Batho, C. Campbell, J. DeGreif and L. Leese. Reminder that memberships are due by December 27 to Barb if you want to vote or run for the board.

Harness Horse Report - nothing at this time

Manager Report - A. Thompson has nothing at this time

Camping Report - C. Crimin not present

Commercial Report - Keith Libby not present

Committee Report - none at this time

MAFE Report - L. MacArthur not present

Kinross Twp. Report - Jim Moore not present

Donation - L. Leese reported that the Soo Co-op Credit Union donated \$2,500 to the fair to be used for the youth exhibitors. B. Hillock will send a Thank You to the Credit Union for their donation.

Processing issues - C. French reported that there was a family having trouble finding a processor for their three hogs, and asked if anyone had any other processors that might contact.

Siding - J. Smart asked if maybe we could put the siding up on the lamb barn (old poultry barn) this fall, we also have fans to be put up. If there is a time for anyone to help with these projects let John know, we may have to wait until spring to do them.

Meetings - Where are going to hold meetings as we are only allowed 10 people in buildings, and the weather is getting bad to have them outside? Anyone that has a building large enough to hold these meetings, please let us know.

Motion by C. French, second by C. Brown to adjou'n the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjou'ned at 8:45 p.m.

Sincerely submitted by:



Barb Hillock
Corresponding Secretary

NEXT MEETING WILL BE SEPTEMBER 23, 2020 AT RUTH STEVENSONS GARAGE AT 5320 E. M-48, PICKFORD AT 7:30 P.M.