Franklin County Agricultural Society Meeting November 21, 2023

The Franklin County Agricultural Society Meeting on November 21 was called to order by Kevin Wiley. The following members were in attendance: Dave Fleshman, Emily Gabriel, Dan Conkright, Chris Johnson, Kevin Wiley, Dave Hickman, Julie Krebs, Derek Vincent , Chuck Buck, Shirley Russell, Kathy McNutt, Dave McGinnis. Abby Bates was attending via phone. Also in attendance was Amy Fleshman, Fair Manager. Beth Boomershine and Rachel Stoneburner from OSU Extension Franklin County. Visitors included Debbie Johnson and Peggy Hale and Les Carrier from Hilliard City Council.

Pledge was led by Chris Johnson.

The Secretaries Minutes from the October 17, meeting was accepted as adjusted by Emily, seconded by Marty. Motion passed.

Treasurer’s report was reviewed as emailed.

Marty moved to submit the Fair Managers report as presented, seconded by Booney. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

Entertainment: Abby moved to approve a contract for David Anthony, same details as last year. Chuck seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Junior Fair: Cookie Tray Assembly is 12/7, Craft Show 12/9. Social meeting with Bonfire and Hayride was a success.

Campground: Cassie moved that rates will be $275, same as last year. Booney seconded the motion. Motion passed. Rule updates include remove #7. Change dates in #18. Remove parallel parking in #20. Parking pass is limited to VIP only.

Sponsorship: Shared handout listing 2023 sponsors and committee responsible for securing donation.

Finance: Dave Hickman moved to accept the FCAS 2024 proposed budget (basically a 4% increase in income and expenditure). Chris 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Grounds: Scraping things in Flea Market. Water lines have been blown out. Adding gutters to Flea Marker. Look at leak in Ganyard ( it has been patched several times) Electric Boxes have been fixed. Working on Electric for Concessions ( Kevin Sheady looking at larger transformers in campground/concessions so don’t need to rent generators) Upgrade water lines, possibly work with Engineers Office.

Gates: Hometown Meeting with other fairs/festivals. Identifying tickets/packages.

Old Business:

Annual Meeting had a good turnout.

Bathroom Update: Chuck moved to pay $7200 balance to enter in contract for Architect Site Plans. Booney Seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Advancement Associate: Exec Board working on

New Business:

Solar Eclipse Party 4/8/24. Special Events to hold meeting to determine feasibility for our grounds

OFMA registration passed around. Chuck moved to donate $75 for a gift basket donation. Booney 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Long Range Planning: Need to create plans for moving forward. An additional $200, 000 is expected soon.

Next Meeting is December 12 at the McNutt House. Start Time 6:30. Potluck List was passed around; Main Dish: Chuck, Amy, Marty, Rita/Rachel. Side Dish/Salad: Emily, Abby, Shirley, Chris. Appetizer: Kathy. Dessert: Dave Hickman, Rachel Stoneburner. Drinks: Kevin, Paper Products: Becky. Feel free to add if not on the list. Families are invited to attend.

Booney moved to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Emily. Meeting Adjourned.

Respectively Submitted, Kathy McNutt, Secretary