

VAN BUREN YOUTH FAIR ASSOCIATION
“THE FAIR WITH A FUTURE”
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MEETING MINUTES – APRIL 8, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by Assistant Treasurer, Gary Consford. The meeting was held at the Van Buren Conference Center, Lawrence, Michigan.

Directors present: Stephanie Zabavski, Debbie Glover, Steve Serdel, Iris Swift, Ken Tomsa Sr., Paul Garrod, Gary Consford, Melva DeVries, Colleen Burke and Brian Rumsey. Sharon Harrell And Corey Conklin were excused.

Guests present Janice Zerbe, Julie Rumsey and Tina Streeter.

Gary Consford, Assistant Treasurer, asked for approval of the Agenda. Ken Tomsa, Sr. moved to accept the agenda. Melva DeVries seconded. Motion passed.

Secretary: Iris Swift presented minutes from the March 4, 2019 meeting. Ken Tomsa Sr. moved to accept minutes. Melva DeVries seconded. Motion passed.

Correspondence and Bills: Iris Swift presented three letters – A thank you from Van Buren County 4-H Leader’s Association; a letter from Brenda with fund raiser suggestions and a letter from the Van Buren County Farm Bureau requesting donations.

Gary Consford turned the meeting over to President, Stephanie Zabavski.

Treasurer: Brian Rumsey, Treasurer presented Treasurer’s report as of 3-4-2019.

Checking and Savings	\$183,329.04
Prepaid FIT	\$ 1,463.78
Total Liabilities & Equity	\$849,733.96

The report was placed on file for audit.

Old Business:

Septic System – Steve Serdel reported on some of the area companies that might be available to pump the holding tanks during Fair Week. He has spoken to Ron Coleman Septic but they do not have a metered truck. Jensen’s does have a flow gauge meter on their truck. Ken Tomsa, Sr. is researching donations for the pumping. Brian Rumsey stated we need to make sure it is pumped, metered and recorded properly.

MEC Appreciation Day – Iris Swift reported we are working on a contract for this event to be held on September 29, 2019 at the fairgrounds. Steve Serdel is collecting information from

MEC on their electrical needs. Ken Tomsa, Sr. has spoken to Fleetwood's and has a good price on some supplies.

Cornerstone Cross Country Meet – Stephanie Zabavski still has not received the information we need.

Boat Storage Take-Out – Debbie Glover announced this Saturday, April 13 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. is boat storage takeout.

New Business:

Fair Book – Iris Swift reported she is making progress. Some things we need are the PNC ad and the trophies and banners list. Iris asked for help with proofreading.

Advertising – TV, Radio and Brochure – Iris Swift will work on getting a quote from Channel 3. Paul Garrod will contact the radio stations. Paul Garrod said he would like to use Holland Litho again this year to print the brochures. We mail approximately 32,000 and distribute about 15,000.

Penning & Son Sponsorship – Brian Rumsey needs to have a list of potential projects.

Tina Streeter asked about the premium for the lady from the hitch class in 2018. Brian will give her the information.

Open Comments:

Brian Rumsey stated we need to decide on the mount owed by Cornelius Farms and how we are going to proceed.

Melva DeVries announced she is still doing trophy sponsors.

Gary Consford moved to adjourn the meeting. Colleen Burke seconded. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Iris Swift

Secretary

The next meeting is May 6, 2019 at the Van Buren County Fairgrounds beginning at 7:00 p.m.