

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was conducted Monday, January 13, 2014 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Bradford Cosenza.

Roll call revealed Clary, Ginther, Hill, McDonald, B. Pickerrell absent. All others present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Guests – Dan Wells, Ohio Angus Association; Katrina Robinson – Jr. Fair Sales Committee; Cari Steinbrook, Dennis Forman & Marc Secoy – Paper City

Corcoran moved, McCorkle seconded to accept the minutes of December 9, 2013. Motion carried.

B. Whitten moved, Dixon seconded to approve the December 2013 Treasurer's report. Motion carried.

1-1-14: McCorkle moved, L. Whitten seconded to pay the following bills for December 2013 and January 2014. Motion carried.

\$500.00 donation was received from the Steer and Heifer Classic.

Our attorney will write a letter to the Water Company for our review.

4-H/Jr. Fair Report – This is Extension Educator Sara Kleon's last meeting. She will retire January 31, 2014. Her retirement get together will be January 31 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. at the Service Center. Her job has been posted and will hopefully be filled by April 2014.

Sara is working on judges' contracts. The judges are getting more expensive. The Superintendent's meeting will be February 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Service Center.

20 youth and 3 advisors attended the OFMA Convention on January 11, 2014.

Convention Report – Good classes and information. Good speakers. New camping rules are in place. Fairgrounds cannot go over 21 days camping or they must have a license effective May 2014. Gary Prater will communicate with the local Health Board.

Committee reports

Haubeil will get estimates to update the public restroom buildings. Prints are coming in for the new shop building.

The rabbit/poultry folks want the building to be connected from the barn to the small animal arena. We will check with Todd Holdren and Mandy Causey.

B. Whitten reported that the new campground roads need chip & sealed this year.

McCorkle reported he needs to balance the line in the back. The old campsites need updated. The bucket truck will be inspected and certified.

1-2-14: McCorkle moved, Dixon seconded to sign the Singer Sled contract for \$2050.00 for 2014 fair. Motion carried.

The Smash-It contract is a two-year contract. It is \$2800.00 flat fee for the derby. We will hold this until the next meeting.

The Garden Tractor Pull will be asked to pull north on the track. Bob Whitten will check with the horse committee first.

#### Caretaker Report

There is a small leak between the Multipurpose building and the meter. He has not located the spot.

The water line broke in the PRCTC building during the cold weather. The line runs against the roof over the women's restroom/kitchen area. There is a \$2500.00 deductible through the County Commissioner's insurance.

1-3-14: McCorkle moved, Duncan seconded to rent the fairgrounds to the Southern Ohio Poultry Association as a one year contract for 3 events per year at \$10,000.00 for each event. They will pay all expenses, utilities and damages. Motion carried.

1-4-14: B. Whitten moved, Corcoran seconded to look into individuals who could sell our gate tickets. Motion carried.

1-5-14: Prater moved, Duncan seconded to charge the Ohio Angus Association \$1500.00 for the Angus Show the last weekend in May (4 day show) or \$2300.00 for the first weekend in June 2014 contingent upon whether the So. Ohio Poultry event takes place that weekend. We will get the money for camping. Motion carried.

1-6-14: Prater moved, Hurtt seconded to go into Executive Session to discuss contracts at 8:52 p.m. Motion carried.

9:33 p.m. – Dixon out.

Karen Chenault invited in at 9:35 p.m. and out at 9:53 p.m.

Karen and Scott Chenault invited in at 9:54 p.m. and out at 10:08 p.m.

1-7-14: B. Whitten moved, McCorkle seconded to come out of Executive Session at 10:09 p.m. Motion carried.

1-8-14: McCorkle moved, Prater seconded to go into regular session at 10:10 p.m. Motion carried.

A committee of McCorkle, Haubeil, B. Whitten, Clever, L. Whitten and Uhrig was assigned to put together job descriptions for the Caretaker and Assistant Caretaker.

1-9-14: McCorkle moved, Corcoran seconded to give Scott Chenault \$300.00 per month towards his insurance. Motion carried.

1-10-14: Prater moved, Clever seconded to adjourn the meeting at 10:20 p.m. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED:

BRADFORD M. COSENZA  
PRESIDENT RCAS

CYNTHIA D. UHRIG  
SECRETARY