

South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society

Board of Director's Meeting 11-13-2023

The Board of Directors meeting was called to order by Vice President Kelly Miller. There was a moment of silence for Kenny Craft and Pauline Doepping. The motion to approve the secretary's report was made by Irene Doty and Gloria Miller and passed. Lori Zemaitis read the treasurer's report.

A motion to approve the outstanding bills of \$617.67 was made by Ira Biggs and seconded by Jerry McGarr and passed.

Old Business: Christmas Party December 2. Kim Peterson, Bill and Chris Wiater and Ann Marie to help set up. Santa is confirmed and he will be there at 8pm. Irene Doty will be making the coffee and Ira Biggs will get the ice and alcohol. Please bring a dozen cookies and a wrapped gift per person. Scrementi's will be catering. Dave Fritz and Lori Zemaitis did the people mover for the Hocus Pocus Market at the Fairgrounds, it rained that night, and they did 4 rounds. Dave Fritz and Sean Dixon did the YMCA people mover on Saturday October 28. They had very favorable comments from the people riding the people mover and the YMCA staff. We will be returning this weekend with Bill Wiater and Kelly Miller operating it. Dave Fritz took the 2 wagons of beans into the elevator. They were at 13.3 and 13.7%. There were 213.1 bushels of beans. They were picked by Marty Zurbriggen. Saturday will be our workday and we will potentially pick corn if the weather is right. It will be decided later if we continue to do the swaths of land for members to plant. 2024 budgets need to be turned in by the January meeting. All board members should be reaching out to their committees and reminding them and seeing if they need anything. Think about what equipment needs we will have; we know that we need to replace the canvases on the wheat binder. Bill Wiater will contact Grant Hagberg to check on the fire extinguishers. Kelly Miller will get rat poison to be distributed this weekend on the workday. All directors should be reaching out to their committees to see if they are able to stay in their positions. Bill Wiater, Kelly Miller, and Dave Fritz met with EJ Hein, Dawn and Barb Craft and went over the agreement with the Fairboard for during our show and their set up. We won't be using the 4H Building but do have use of the parking lots around it, we will be able to use the Fine Arts Building, we will not have use of the horse or pony barns during our show and the fencing will be in non-priority areas. This was done to show the commissioners that we are working together and communicating between us. Jerry McGarr and Dave Fritz went to look at some equipment, there is an IH 2 bottom plow, a hay rack with good running gear and pull type bush hog all for \$400. Ira Biggs made the motion to purchase all of it, seconded by Ron Leighty. We are also on the lookout for a pull type combine. Ron Leighty said that Del Kutemeier has a combine he is interested in selling, he will contact him. We will need to audit the books in January after we close the 2023 books. Jim Burk, Ann Marie Wicik and Jerry McGarr will do the audit. Jerry McGarr made the motion to pay the bills when we are off, seconded by Ron Leighty and passed. The dates for our 2024 show will be July 12,13 and 14, we will have the full fairgrounds and are looking for any ideas for the show. Our January 8 meeting will be devoted to sponsorships and costs associated with the show.

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The annual Crown Point FOP Police Raffle sent us tickets, they are \$10 each and they sent 3 tickets. Jerry McGarr made the motion to purchase the tickets and seconded by Ann Marie Wicik and passed. Ann Marie Wicik asked for a \$20 budget for each child for the Christmas party. Gary Wicik is working on the calendar. Last year he ordered 30 of them and will get 30 again this year, he will be submitting them by this weekend. We need the dates for Buckley Homestead and the sheep shearing days. Our next meeting will be January 8. Ron Leighty made the motion to adjourn and was seconded by Ann Marie Wicik at 7:40pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Julie Fritz Secretary