

South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society

Board of Directors Meeting 4/14/2025

The Board of Directors Meeting of the South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society was called to order by President Bill Wiater. The secretary's report is available online.

Old Business: There is a workday on Saturday. We need to get ready for planting. Dave Fritz and Sean Dixon got the picker working. Dave Fritz and Bill Wiater spread fertilizer on the wheat. We need to work on signs as well. The metal garbage cans, smoke and CO detectors were installed, according to the insurance recommendation. Kelly Miller has been taking care of rodent control. Bingo was discussed. It will be at the American Legion on 4/25/2025. The banner still needs to be put up in front of the American Legion building. We have yard signs, and they will be put up. Perry McLemore said he will go to Restaurant Depot and get snacks. They will need the NP-1 form. We still need people to help. We need 2 people at the door, 2 people to sell the snacks and 2 card readers. We have all the bingo cards still, there will be a 50/50 raffle and some baskets for a raffle as well. The time for volunteers to arrive is 5pm. They will have the tables set up already. Bill Wiater has talked with Culvers and we are just waiting to hear back from them about the dates available. There will be a show at the Crown Antique Mall, and they would like us to bring a couple of tractors for it. There will be Sheep Shearing at Buckley Homestead, from 12-4 on May 18. We can plow and disk and plant some oats on that day to demonstrate. Julie Fritz said that now Indiana requires a new NP=1 form for tax exemption. It needs to be done on the INTIME web page and is available instantly. Perry McLemore and Bob Kester have been discussing Steam safety. They are getting in touch with Travis Brown about having a steam clinic next spring. Indiana is a non-inspection state. Tyler and Daniel Kester have an Ohio Certification and have put together a safety booklet and next year will be doing a clinic.

Lori Zemaitis read the treasurer's report.

The tractor raffle was discussed. The gas push mower will be the 1st place prize, and it will be from Ruim Equipment; 2nd place a Toro Battery Trimmer from Gruel Bros and a Stihl Battery Blower as 3rd prize from Castognia. Total prizes ~\$900. Tickets will be \$10. They will be grey with black lettering. Sandy Stropky made the motion to get 300 tickets and seconded by Fran Basham and passed. Pam Heick will ask Wise Guys about invoicing us for billing. Sponsorship booklet has a full compliment of ads, we are waiting for a couple of ads yet and a couple of checks yet. It will be bringing in ~\$5000-\$6000. Last year we ordered 4000 booklets and have a lot left over but can use them now to hand out with the inside page. Ron Leighty said he hasn't talked to Ira Biggs yet about the tractor pulls. During our show meeting we will be talking about the petting zoo, shirts, schedule of events, map

updates, flea markets and tractor pull. Jerry Heick said he talked to Dale Crawley about a microphone and cables to reach into the arena. Ray Mattox said he has been working on pedal tractors and needs some parts for one of them, he will investigate getting them and getting some quotes. The MeDance school in Crown Point asked about doing a demonstration during our show to get their name out there. Discussion was held regarding having it in the kiddie tractor pull area with the bleachers, it wasn't decided to have it prior to or after the pulls. The motion to adjourn was made by Ron Leighty and seconded by Jerry Heick and passed.

Respectively Submitted,

Julie Fritz Secretary