South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society

Board of Directors Meeting 5-28-2024

The Board of Directors Meeting of the South Lake County Agricultural Historical Society was called to order by President Bill Wiater. There was no treasurer's report. The motion to pay the outstanding bill for fertilizer for the crops of \$761.60 was made by Jerry Heick and seconded by Jerry McGarr and passed.

Bingo ran smoothly but had poor attendance. Kevin Dvorak from the American Legion said that he was impressed with how well we cleaned up the area. It was suggested that we do another bingo match in October/November. The financials from the bingo were given with a total income after expenses was \$40. Julie Fritz said to let her know how many comp passes you will need and please mark them with who you gave them to, or who gave them out. Our Culvers show will be a week from Saturday on June 8. Perry McLemore will bring a tent, Bill Wiater will hand out flyers to customers. Julie reminded people to share the correct poster on Facebook. Pam Heick will check again on quilt tickets and get another quote with regular cardstock and get them ordered. Bill Wiater contacted Matt that does our night watch, and he will do it again. Golf Carts were discussed. If you have a golf cart, mark it somehow so that we know who has what cart and Bill will discuss with the Night watch to return the golf cart that they use during the night. Day security was discussed, having 2 police on Saturday and 1 on Friday and Sunday. John Marshall talked with Kristen about it but she needs what hours we want them. Julie Fritz will contact her. 4H building access was discussed. Sandy Monroe will speak with Julie Jones from Purdue about it, but she thought they would be judging at the extension office rather than at the Fairgrounds during our show. Gate: Julie Fritz said that she will start contacting people about working on the Gate this month. We called to get on the Fair board agenda, it will likely be June 6 at 7pm. We will need, 10 bleachers, arena lights on Saturday evening, Faucet on the shower, Park closed signs and barricades, Water hydrants turned on, roller and scraper for the pulls, more access to the sound system, 13 panels of Animal gates and 2 large cement blocks for the sawmill and access to the showers. Dave Fritz and Bill Wiater will attend the Fair board meeting. Quilt raffle was discussed, she has workers, and the quilt is done. Bill Wiater spoke with the Lionel Railroad guys; they will be coming. They have been in contact with the CEO of Menards about contributing somehow. Sandy Monroe said she hasn't gotten any contracts from the woodworking guys and will contact them. The Band will be in the arena on Friday night. They replaced all the wheels on the kiddie train ride, they still have the last wagon to do, they are set wider and shorter and have a solid tire now. Safety things were discussed including having a person in the last cart to prevent rocking the carts. Perry McLemore will do the church services. We will be getting wheat from Kleine's

again this year, but plan on planting our own this fall. All exhibits that have grains that spill should use tarps under them in the spill areas. They want to add a people mover stop a little closer to the sawmill. There needs to be some more signs for the Fine Arts building describing what is in there. We should have some park closed and gate signs in the mouse house that need to be found. We need to look at the signs for the tractor raffle to make sure the price is correct. There needs to be a no vehicle past this point in front of the Show Pavilion. The Cedar Lake Summerfest parade is on July 6, 8:30am line up, 10 am parade, Dave Fritz, Bill Wiater, Anne Marie Wicik, Gary Wicik and Jerry McGarr with the people mover will all be in it. The Crown Point 4th of July parade is at 11am. Golf carts were discussed; we will have 7 2 passenger and 3 4 passenger carts. Chad Read, Jerry Heick and Sandy Stropky will be renting them, and the others will go to Kim Peterson for shuttling people, Ryan Wiater in the parking area, Lori Zemaitis, Sandy Monroe, Bill Wiater and Kelly Miller. Bob Kester asked about bringing in Steamers earlier than Thursday. Dave Fritz will talk with John Marshall about it. We will need a tractor on site to help move them off the lowboy trailer. Bob Kester also asked about camping early if we need some type of security. The steamer area will need 6 picnic tables by their area and a picnic table at each people mover stop. They would consider hooking up to the pulling sled during the day in the arena just to have them doing something and in that area. It was also discussed having some of the steamers stage at the north end of the arena. They figured there would be between 7-10 large steam engines and 10 models. Ron Leighty made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Jerry Heick and passed at 8:27pm.

Respectively submitted,

Julie Fritz Secretary