

The regular meeting of the Ross County Agricultural Society Board of Directors was held on Monday, October 7, 2024 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Road, Chillicothe, Ohio.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Steven Clever at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call revealed that Bethel, Boggs, Clary, Corcoran, Cosenza, Gearhart, Haubeil Jr., Hill, and McCorkle, were absent.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Wheeler.

Guests – Jeremy Roll, Bo Clary, Tom McWhorter, Dustin Cottrill, Jackie Detillion, Lisa Bair, Julie Oates, Ryan Kline, and Kate Wells.

Lisa Bair reported that the Equine Facility has received \$10,000.00 from VFW Post 108 and will be receiving \$10,000.00 from the American Legion with more potential donors.

Jackie Detillion thanked the Board for approving the 4-H Halloween Campout. The numbers were down this year, a check for \$3,200.00 will be sent to RCAS. She also thanked Karlton and Richard Wheeler for their help during the event.

The Sales Committee reported that ninety people attended the Buyers Appreciation Dinner. The total sales were \$1,258,173.33, add-ons were \$384,641.60, this was \$51,000.00 more than last year. There were 900 checks handed out at the fairgrounds on 10/1-2/24, approximately 40 checks will have to be picked up or hand delivered. No checks will be mailed this year. Overall, the check pickups went well.

10-1-24: Prater moved, VanHoose seconded to upgrade the Show Works program for \$1,599.00. Motion carried.

10-2-24: Chain moved, Free seconded to approve payment of \$406.87 for Sheep High Wool, Pork Check off, and Beef Check off. Motion carried.

10-3-24: Kemper moved, Chain seconded to approve August 19, 2024 minutes. Motion carried.

10-4-24: Elliott moved, VanHoose seconded to pay July bills totaling \$300,514.35. Motion carried.

10-5-24: Chain moved, Kemper seconded to pay August bills totaling \$772,707.25. Motion carried.

10-6-24: Chain moved, Kemper seconded to pay September bills totaling \$100,067.00. Motion carried.

10-7-24: Prater moved, VanHoose seconded to pay October 1-7, 2024 bills totaling \$11,317.06. Motion carried.

10-8-24: Clifton moved, Free seconded to accept August and September Treasurers Report. Motion carried.

10-9-24: Free moved, VanHoose seconded to reserve one table for OFMA Friday night's concert for \$250.00. Motion carried, Haubeil opposed.

10-10-24: Haubeil moved, VanHoose seconded to appoint Bradford Cosenza as Director for the City for one year. Motion carried.

10-11-24: Elliott moved, Chain seconded to approve payment of \$300.00 to Bob Malone to store all the trash cans on the grounds after the Halloween Campout. Motion carried.

10-12-24: Elliott moved, Kemper seconded to approve the upgrade to the camping row between Buckskin and Buckeye for \$188,352.00. Motion carried.

Wetzel will draw up the plans for the upgrade.

Haubeil suggests for left over grant money:

\$5,391.00 – Electric pole by storage barn area

\$9,890.00 – Upgrade permanent campsites by harness racing building

\$7,200.00 – Concrete around dump stations

\$9,612.00 – New electric boxes on five rows

\$5,537.00 – On paving

Wells reported that there are thirty-six new Jr Fair Board members. They are working on fundraisers for the hurricane victims. They are now having food at their meetings.

10-13-24: Haubeil moved, VanHoose seconded to nominate Richard Ginther for Outstanding Fair Supporter. Motion carried.

10-14-24: Free moved, VanHoose seconded to nominate Bradford Cosenza for OFMA Hall of Fame Award. Motion carried.

10-15-24: Prater moved, Wetzel seconded to order 6 benches at \$446.00 each. Motion carried.

10-16-24: Wetzel moved, Chain seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:07 pm. Motion carried.

WITNESSED BY:

RESPECTIVELY SUBMITTED BY:

STEVEN CLEVER  
RCAS VICE PRESIDENT

MARY LUDWICK  
RCAS SECRETARY