



Minutes of June 9, 2016 General Membership meeting

1) Call to Order

-Alan Heatherwick

President Alan Heatherwick called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Roll Call

-Brad Eike

Brad called the roll. There were 11 directors and 27 members and guests present.

3) Secretary's Report

-Charles Kestel

Charlie distributed copies of the May minutes at the start of the meeting. There were no exceptions to the "minutes as published" noted. Lane Heatherwick made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. John Cronin seconded that motion, and it was carried by all present.

4) Treasure's Report

-Fred Lestina

Fred gave the treasurer's report. We have deposits of \$650 from banner sales, \$15 from membership, and \$25 raffle proceeds. We also had a returned check of \$80 plus a fee of \$8 for a returned check. That person was contacted and they promised to make good for check and fees. That left us a balance of \$8169.49 in the checkbook. Ron Schubbe made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. It was seconded by Dennis Christiansen, and carried by all present

5) Old Business

A calendar order will be turned in on Monday. The extra pictures will be kept for next year.

Alan reported that Tom Runty has the photos to be used for the button, but no prototype was available yet.

Kim gave a report on prices she researched for newspaper ads, radio advertising packages etc. She estimated it would take 100 man hours to put ads in all the local cable patches. She offered to take this job on for \$1000, and it was decided to call a directors meeting to decide what we wanted in the way of advertising with the funds we are willing to spend. We are already committed to spend \$500

on placemats to be used at 7 local McDonalds restaurants, Dennis reminded. Lane suggested the directors meet next Thursday at 7:30 in the office trailer located at 7621 W. Offner Rd. Peotone, IL.

Lane requested 4 banners be made to be displayed at the fairground.

Trailer cleanout was accomplished by Al, Charlie, John Wolencik, Roger Rainford, Dave Kestel, Ron Schubbe, and Dennis Christiansen. Everything fit into the new trailer. We have 45-50 Samsonite chairs, and 40-50 barrels stored in there too.

6) New Business:

Reminder: Next meeting will be held at show site, on the 14th.

Posters have not been delivered yet.

We still need a Chairman for the registration tent.

PA system was going to be explained to Al, before show time, by Marty, as he will be unavailable this year. He reminded us that some of our speakers were not weather proof.

7) 2016 Show:

Charlie reported that the oats have been cut and baled the first time, and the seeding looks good. They will be cut again, before the show, to provide parking and tractor display area.

Due to a change of sled we were able to schedule, we have cancelled the #3500 class at the tractor pull. The owner said "this is a heavier sled than we have had in the past, and that small of a tractor wouldn't budge it". We will try to get our original sled provider for next year.

Al reports that Will County approved the tents as fire retardant, and we have ordered enough porta-johns

Terry Jacobs will be providing 5000 gallons of potable water gotten from New Lenox

John Cronin will be contacting the man with the horse team again, to make sure he is coming. Jean has tried to contact "Settlers Pond" about the petting zoo

twice, but hasn't heard back yet.

Show electric and water are planned. Steve Spies will be providing generator power, and the light plants will be coming from Illinois Truck and Equipment, in Morris.

Connie requested that baked good for the country store be well wrapped. Carol reported that she has Lauren Conway, "Corndogs & More, and "Spring Creek Barbecue& Pizza" coming to the show.

Lane has the FFA lined up for help with parking. They agreed to have 4 people plus parents available each day. Lane will provide them with orange vests.

Larry Marek will handle trenching the water/ electric system over to the vendor area.

Eric says the sawmill is coming, and Dan will bring logs.

Connie has taken care of having a minister available for Sunday morning.

Brad reported that he has a magician coming, the brass band is scheduled for 3 PM Saturday, and there might possibly be a roving band. He needs to get the duck game out to make sure it is ready to use.

Lane needs to contact Bill Henning at AHW with insurance information they requested.

Fred need to order a 30 yard dumpster.

Ron has the small engine displays coming.

Eric will get fire extinguishers.

Dennis is monitoring the wheat conditions. Grant Heatherwick and Wayne Walz will handle baling the straw. The fire department has been contacted.

Brad reported that the Auxiliary Police will be at the corner.

Butch contacted Larry Lorenz, and he is willing to announce the Sunday tractor pull, both morning and afternoon sessions.

Dennis said we need wood to start the steam engines.

There will be 3 people movers available, 2 general and 1 scripted tour. Jay Roesel is calling the membership trying to build a schedule.

The appreciation dinner will be held Thursday night, as will County says we need no permit for that.

8) Brad's Remarks

Collect for banners!!

9) Open Forum

It was suggested that we donate \$200 to "Ride the River. Ron Schubbe motioned to make that donation. Dennis Christiansen seconded the motion, and it was carried by all present.

John reported that the "Slow Boys" had a real nice ride.

10). Adjourn

Connie motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jack, and it was carried by all present

Upcoming activities:

July 14	WCTA Meeting [held at show site]
July 21-24	2016 Show
August 11	WCTA meeting held at FBM Bank basement 7PM
August 27	Ride the River Antique Tractor Ride
September 8	WCTA Meeting

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