



Minutes of March 9, 2017 General Membership meeting

1) Call to Order

-Alan Heatherwick

President Alan Heatherwick called our meeting to order at 7:10 PM, and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Roll Call

-Brad Eike

Brad called the roll, with 9 directors and 17 members and guests in attendance.

3) Secretary's Report

-Charlie Kestel

.Charlie made copies of February 9 minutes available to those who wanted them. There were no corrections made, and John Cronin made a motion to accept the minutes as published. Lane Heatherwick seconded the motion and it was passed by all present.

4) Treasure's Report

-Fred Lestina

Brad read a copy of the treasurer's report sent by Fred. We received \$52 from our monthly meeting donation, \$40 in dues, \$7 for magnet sales, and \$20 in pedal tractor raffle sales. We paid a credit card bill of \$109.19 for telephone, leaving a checkbook balance of \$6905.52. Fred also let us know that the porta-potties and 20 yard dumpster have been ordered. Show directories cost \$12. Russ Hossbach made a motion to accept the report as read, seconded by Ron Schubbe, and the motion was carried by all present.

5) Old Business

-Brad Eike

The Irish Fest parade went well. Ron and Charlie reported that beside candy, they passed out lots of fliers for this year's show. A lot of comments were made by the spectators, that "they came to last year's show, and were looking forward to this year's show".

Brad reported that Serena had a great day and large crowds for their toy show, and 219 raffle tickets were sold that day. We were reminded that the next show coming up, was Sublette.

Alan reported that all surplus wood was moved to Charlie's farm, where some of it Will be needed to modify the size of the corn crib.

6) New Business

Charlie explained the tractor pull rules that were published in the last newsletter.

We will be in line with 8 other local shows.

Jean reported that the horse team and wagon will be here Saturday and Sunday, as was decided last month.

Alan said we are still in need of a PA manager, and we have not completed the permit application yet.

7) Show Items Reviewed

Porta-potties and dumpster are ordered. We have tents ordered, same size and number as last year. It was decided that we did not need more coal this year. We will be borrowing the picnic tables from the fairgrounds, just as we did last year. It was suggested that we have one more generator than last year.

Carol reported that there are no contracts back to us yet, and she will make some calls

8) Brad's Remarks

Brad passed out our fliers at the "hit or miss" engine sale at Earlville, and Serena FFA gave us \$100 for the use of our pedal pull sled.

9) Open Forum

Lane suggested using our A-frame sign, outside office, to post upcoming craft show ads and events during our show.

Kim will be at the next meeting, to give us an update on advertising.

Jim Robbins will also be there to give an update on the Peotone FFA tractor ride, beginning and ending from our show grounds, on Saturday.

We need a picture for the button soon.

10) Adjourn

Pat Noonan motioned to adjourn the meeting, with Jeff Brandau seconding that motion. It was passed by all present.

Upcoming activities:

Slow Boys Spring Ride	April 8, 2017	Pittwood, IL
Thee Olde Time Farm Show	June 30, July 1 & 2	Bourbonnais, IL
Rock Falls Antique & Tractor Show	July 8	Rock Falls, IL
2017 Historic Farm Days	July 13, 14, 15, 16	Penfield, IL

Our Show
JI Case Anniversary Expo
½ Century of Progress

July 20th - 23rd
August 10th.thru 13th.
August. 24 – 27, 2017

Frankfort,IL
Albert City IA.
Rantoul,IL

Membership meetings:

March 9, 2017
April 13, 2017

June 8, 2017
July 13, 2017
August 3, 2017

October 12, 2017
November 9, 2017
December 14, 2017

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