



Minutes of November 9, 2017 General Membership meeting

- **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. .
- **Roll Call** -Brad Eike
Brad called the roll, with 7 directors and 11 members and guests in attendance.
- **Secretary's Report** -Charlie Kestel
Charlie made copies of the October 12th minutes available to anyone who wanted one. Jean made the correction that the date on October's minutes was mistakenly printed as Sept. 17th. . Alan asked if there were any other additions or corrections and there were none. .Pat Noonan made a motion to accept the minutes as published, seconded by Lane Heatherwick. It was passed by all present.

I neglected to mention that we had four contributors to a memorial in memory of Gary Hossbach. They are, Delia Brown, Margaret [Kennedy] Benoit, Rex and Pat Rackouski, and William and Delores M. Hicks. Sorry to be so late with our thanks from the club.
- **Treasure's Report** -Fred Lestina
Fred reported income from banners of \$100, and \$125 in dues collected. Expenses listed were \$250 to Plainfield Sign, \$704.70 to Farm Collector for a half page ad in the show directory, \$330.97 to Card Center for fall picnic expense, \$3253.75 for hauling, and \$137.99 for postage and office expenses. We also paid the Peotone FFA \$300, leaving a balance of \$8290.22 in the checkbook. We still have outstanding bills of \$200 to Daly Wood Products for log hauling, and \$1145 to Steve Granger for his work on the wheels we added to the crib. John Cronin made a motion to accept the report as presented, seconded by John Evans. It was passed by all present.

- **Old Business**

-Alan Heatherwick

Alan explained that the PA equipment will be evaluated next week. We also need to winterize the club office .

- **New Business**

We were reminded that the thresher and the “Dolly Madison” trailer needs to be moved yet.

The Christmas Party is set for January 21,2018 at the Wilton Center Hall. More details at the December meeting. There will be a silent auction, so please donate to help the club.

- **2018 Show**

Alan updated the ad cards with the new address, new schedule of events, and a phone number.

A question was presented whether we wanted Kim to continue as our advertising representative, and the consensus of opinion was “yes”.

The show schedule was discussed, and it was decided to have tractor pull on Friday, Kids pedal pull on Saturday only, with an adult pull following. The Frankfort Brass Band is scheduled for Sunday.

- **Brad's Remarks**

- Brad reported that he and Fred attended the National Toy Show in Dyersville, Iowa

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- **Open Forum**

Brad expressed the Club’s thanks to Steve and Lane for the donation of wheels for the crib. We also offer a big thanks to Bob Homerding for agreeing to build a corn box of our own, for this next show

It was questioned whether we wanted to have more cards printed with revised schedule, to pass out wherever we can. Fred motioned to order 1000 from the printer, seconded by Lane, and it was passed by all.

We were also asked to remember “Silent Auction Goodies” for the Christmas party. There will also be discussion at the party on important changes to our show in 2019. We are running out of help! Should we shut our show down after this year? Wayne Hossbach suggested we might combine with another club. Brad thought we have been improving over the years, but we need more young workers.

Pat reported that Larry Marek had back surgery, and was being sent to Marionjoy, in Wheaton, IL .for his rehab.

Fundraiser

Lane questioned whether we wanted another calendar sale? It was not a big money maker, and Alan has no desire to handle it this year, as he has no time.

- **Adjourn**

Carol Hossbach made a motion to close the meeting, seconded by John Evans. It was passed by all present at 7:46 PM.

Upcoming activities:

Christmas Party

January 21, 2018

Membership meetings:

December 14, 2017

Membership meetings are held in the lower level of the First Bank of Manhattan, 55 W North St., Manhattan, IL. Please be prompt because the doors are tended until 7:15 and then locked per agreement with the bank officials.