

July 9, 2019

The Butler County Agricultural Society met for their regular meeting on July 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the fairgrounds. At roll call the following members were present Turner; Bittner; Gerber; Hiltbrand; Mignery; Robinson; Simpson; Vollmer and Wells. Minges was absent. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. Mignery moved to accept the financial statements, second by Gerber motion passed. Simpson moved to pay all monthly bills including payroll, second by Vollmer motion passed. Carrie with the Butler County Sheriff's office asked the board for any suggestions for the 2019 fair. Area's to look at where the Stockman's gate, having someone there earlier in the evenings. The board would like to add two additional officers for the demolition derby on Friday night. The red fence by the campers was also a concern. People have been walking into infield events. Princeton Pike Church of God wanted to know of anything they needed to change for 2019 with parking and gates. Everything seemed to run well the last couple of years. Franklin Equipment will have lights out in the main parking lot again as well as the generator for the campers in the horse area. Turner asked the board if anyone had any last minute needs. The ear tags are in, zip ties have been purchased, still need 4-way valves and pressure regulators for new waterline. A-1 sanitation will pump out campers on Tuesday and Wednesday of the fair. Hiltbrand reported Bob Huff will print event signs to put up around the county advertising the grandstand events. After discussion Hiltbrand moved to purchase six signs for \$65.00 per sign. Second by Gerber motion passed. Wells moved to spend up to \$500.00 on Facebook boosts. Second by Hiltbrand, motion passed. Hiltbrand read through the list of sponsors from 2018 that needed to be contacted. The board divided the list of sponsors to be contacted. Mark Cudo of Bobcat has helped with the fair for the past 32 years. He will no longer help with the infield events but has a list of people willing to help and Bobact will have equipment available. The audit committee, Robinson-chair; Hiltbrand audited the tickets. Everything is in order. Turner reported the excavating work has been finished behind the steer barn. When it rains water still gets in the barn. The gutters need to be replaced. Mignery moved to hire Gary Gabbard to replace the gutters and down spouts on the steer barn. Second by Hiltbrand, motion passed. Turner received a letter from ODA stating the Butler County Agricultural Society is in compliance with all ODA rules and regulations. This was requested by the county. The issue of cars with stockman's passes in the infield was brought up. If a car has only a stockman's pass it should be removed from the infield. The infield is for camping parking only. If a family has two camping parking passes they do not receive a stockman's pass. That family would need to see the department head about receiving another pass. Erin Simpson Sloan reported on work day at the fairgrounds with the junior fair board and asked for a list of projects that need completed. She also reported the 4-H committee wants to put a coin collector in the Farm Zone to raise money for 4-H. After discussion Simpson moved to deny the request. Second by Vollmer motion passed. Vollmer moved to purchase 150 meals from Krogers for \$5.99 and 150 pork chops from Pork Produces for the 2018 livestock buyers. Second by Mignery, motion passed. With no further business Gerber moved to adjourn. Second by Mignery. The board will meet for a call meeting during the 2019 Butler County Fair.