

June 11, 2019

The Butler County Agricultural Society met for their regular meeting on June 11, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the fairgrounds. At roll call the following members were present; Turner; Bittner; Gerber; Hiltbrand; Mignery; Minges; Simpson; Vollmer and Wells. Robinson was absent. The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as read. Mignery moved to accept the financial statements. Second by Minges, motion passed. Vollmer moved to pay all monthly bills, including payroll. Second by Gerber, motion passed. Turner presented a bid from Cody Forrestt to pressure wash and paint the goat barn in the amount of \$15,500.00. After discussion the board decided wait until next year to complete the project. Simpson reported he met with Chris Carmack about replacing the water lines in the horse area. Carmack gave Simpson an estimate of \$20,000.00 to dig and lay the water line. After discussion, Gerber moved to spend up to \$20,000.00 on the labor for replacing the water line. Second by Hiltbrand, all present voted yes. The board reviewed the changes in camping pricing for the 2019 fair. Minges moved to price camping as infield \$275.00, including 2 parking passes and a pump out; the old horse area, \$225.00; including a pump out; the new horse area \$250.00 including 1 parking pass and a pump out and along the fence \$225.00. Second by Mignery, motion passed. Turner reported the annual dog show had a smaller turn out this year. They are still happy with the venue but the payment for ground rental and camping totaled \$4302.50. Turner talked to Judy Boicoy from Butler County about cost sharing improvements to the new building. She informed Turner that the Agricultural Society needed to provide proof from ODA the Society is in compliance with all ODA rules and regulations. Once we have a letter from ODA we need to get bids on all work to be done. The Agricultural Society also will need to provide proof of payment to the Commissioners. After the Society has spent \$50,000.00 the Commissioners will make payments. There were two late entries for junior fair. After discussion the board decided to stay with the rule of a \$75.00 per entry late fee. Gerber presented premiums for rain insurance for the grand stand events. Gerber moved to insure the events on Sunday; Monday; Tuesday; and Wednesday for ½ an inch of rain from 3:00 pm until 7:00 pm for \$10,000.00 per event. Thursday for ¼ of an inch from 4:00 pm until 8:00

pm for \$20,000.00 and Friday for ¼ of an inch of rain from 3:00 pm until 8:00 pm for \$30,000.00 at a total cost of \$4133.00. Second by Mignery, motion passed. Minges moved to pay the Davidson family \$2075.00 minus the \$275.00 camping fee for bringing cows for the milking parlor. Second by Vollmer, all present voted yes. Mignery fixed the door on the women's restroom in the horse area and removed all the screens in Charlie's shelter. Wells reported Unsung Salvage are going to sell t-shirts again this year in the fair office. For the monster truck show on Sunday evening Marsell's Towing is donating 10-12 cars. Extension agent JT Benitez presented the board with the final schedule for the Farm Zone. There is an eagle scout that is offering to fix the display boards in the special interest building. The project would involve sanding down and repairing 42 small boards and 10 large boards. Simpson moved the fair board give \$200.00 toward the project. Second by Wells, motion passed. Wells stated the office staff did all the fair book changes themselves saving approximately \$7,000.00. Wells moved to give all the office staff a one dollar an hour raise. Second by Mignery, all present voted yes. With no further business Minges moved to adjourn, second by Mignery meeting adjourned. The board will meet for their regular meeting on July 9, 2019 at 7:00 pm at the fairgrounds.