



Fair Association Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, February 15, 2022

St. Joseph County Grange Fair Association Meeting

Attendees: All current Association Members of the St. Joseph County Grange Fair

(All members please sign the attendance sheet)

Order of Business:

1. Meeting called to order – 6:04
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Approval of previous meeting minutes

Managers' Report:

1. The \$1000.00 approved by the Association for gravel was purchased and put down before Fair by Graber Excavating. Unfortunately, we had three (3) days of rain that washed most the gravel away. I am going to start looking into sponsors for our roads and see if we can generate the money to start paving the roads for a more permanent solution to the road issue.
2. We spent \$478.51 of the \$1000.00 approved for bleacher repair before Fair. We ran out of time after Fair to purchase additional lumber so this spring we will use the remaining funds to repair as many bleachers as possible.
3. I have been updating the contracts for Vendors and will be sending the contracts next week. A suggestion from our vendors this year was to investigate sending contracts in a digital format. So, we will start utilizing a digital contract option this year.
4. Camping registration will also be going out the middle of March or sooner. Check your email for your paperwork if you provided an email last year.
5. We are re-opening the Nottawa Walk-in gate for the 2022 Fair. This will help with the backup of people we saw this last year at our Franklin Street gate. We also hope to draw more people to the garden, free entertainment, free stage, beer tent and other attractions we are placing in that area.

Old Business:

New Business:

1. Treasurer's report
2. Director and/or Committee reports
 - a. Bill Younts gave a report about the Grants available for the coming year.
 - b. Angie gave an update concerning moving the Antique Tractor Club to the old Kiddie Land area. It sounds like they made not be willing to move and may not return.
 - c. Tom Miller let everyone know that he would be getting the 4-H Liaison committee together for a meeting.



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3. Miscellaneous business:

- a. Giving a \$2000.00 donation the Future Farmers of America (FFA) who are taking over the Garden Area. Motion made by Cindy Mingus to donate to \$2000.00 for the FFA. Supported by Chris Yunker. Approved by the Association to give \$2000.00 to the FFA for the garden

4. Meeting Adjourned

Next meeting is May 17th, 2022, at 6:00pm.