

**May 21, 2015 Minutes  
Morton County Fairboard  
Morton County Fairgrounds New Salem**

Meeting called to order by Secretary Jackie Buckley. Members present were Jackie Buckley, Paul Trauger, Wendy Boehm, Tracy Boehm, Karla Meikle, Mark Fleck, Donnie Tahgon, Tammy Heins, Tony Heins, Annie Gartner, Foxy Brunnen and Sharon Toepke

Minutes were read, Motion by Donnie, seconded by Tony to approve the minutes.

Treasurer's Report      \$115,264.81 Checking  
   \$7,675.10 Savings

Motion made to pay Mahoney the auditor, in the amount of \$451.82. M/M/S Tony, Wendy. Approved.

M/M/S Tony, Donnie to approve the treasurer's report, motion approved.

Discussion on purchasing horse panels, 10 foot from Stockmen's Supply at \$140.00 each. They would be delivered to the fairgrounds in time for the 2015 fair.

Discussion on electrical improvements and re-work. Karla will contact Aaron from MDA for clarification. Mark to contact Joe Wanner from Hebron and Johnson's Electric. Paul will investigate if Johnson's had a permit and this was approved. Board would like to know what the top three costs of the bid are. Report at next meeting.

Discussion on air conditioning, bid from Lillis for electrical was \$1655.00, air conditioning and duct work was \$3900.00.

Discussion on show arena, report given by Tony and Mark. For a 80 X 100 foot show arena it would cost \$6200.00. Would be done by July 15. M/M/S by Tony, Annie to approve Center Machine to construct the show arena. Karla will ask clubs and the council for a donation to help with the cost.

Port A Pot bids from Jackie and Mark. Jackie was \$95.00 a unit and \$200.00 for 2 hand washing stations. Jackie's total bid was \$1530.00 and Marks bid from Beulah was \$1700.00. M/M/S by Wendy, Donnie to award Mitch Bitz from Spot A Pot the bid to be delivered by 4pm on Wednesday. Motion approved.

Air Conditioning in the concession stand was approved after a motion by Annie, seconded by Mark. Motion was not unanimous, but majority voting in favor of.

Discussion on advertising of the concession stands in the fair paper.

Discussion on 3 phase power, Annie will tell Joel that MDU won't be able to do that.

Power Pull – will get extra lighting again this year, question on entry fee and it was pointed out their gate fee is their entry fee

Beer Garden improvements, materials donated by Donnie's employer. Will check to see if they would like a sponsorship for their donation.

Report on sponsorships for 2015. Total in is \$11,225.

Muttin Bustin is a go, Rick Schmidt is good.

Work day list for this spring

Discussion on vendors

Discussion on camping and registration, camping information will be in the fair paper. Camping fees were discussed. M/M/S by Wendy and tony to approve \$25.00 for electrical and \$15.00 for primitive. Motion carried

Mud Volleyball discussion, Rocky pointed out that if the horse trailers lined up better we would have plenty of parking. We will see if we can find some more manpower.

Karla will send out an email for 4-H camping reservations and those that are staying on the grounds need to register in advance with Mark.

Karla will call 4-H Ambassadors to see if they can help with parking during the fair.

Gate, Mark said he was good to go.

We are looking to find more parking

Jackie will ask the mall about parking.

Tony discussed fireworks and talking with the city for approval.

Jackie will talk to Diane Hoger about the addition to the beer garden. Also Jackie will talk to the county commissioners about forgoing a payment this year and seeing if we can make improvements on the electrical.

Buckles, Parking, Rooms for Foxy's entertainment were discussed

Next meeting, special meeting to discuss Electrical and Horse Panels.

Regular Board meeting scheduled for June 18 at 7:30pm.

With no further discussion, Tammy made a motion to adjourn and Wendy seconded. Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by,

Karla Meikle  
Acting Secretary