

Valley Agricultural Society Board of Directors Meeting
March 4, 2021 @ 7:00 pm
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Present: Norm Gauthier, Donna Edel, Mike Bellisle, Stan Siemens, Chris Hamblin, Chris Edel, Crystal Legary, Brian Wiebe, Cristine Edel

Absent: Matt Hoffman, Andy Krahn, Ryan Holness

Call to Order: Norm Gauthier called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Approval of Agenda: Mike Bellisle made the motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Chris Hamblin. Carried.

Approval of Minutes: Chris Edel made the motion to approve the minutes from February 4 & 18, 2021. Seconded by Mike Bellisle. Carried.

Correspondence:

- Michelle Mills sent an email asking if we are running our events and would like to know our plans.
- MAAS AGM March 11, 2021 @ 7:00 PM need to know by March 8, 2021 if wanting to attend let Cristine Edel know.
- Cristine Edel will fill out the Peavey Mart Credit Application.

Old Business:

- The Town of Morris Recreation Programmer asked for the use of the Track to host a Mud Run in July. The Town of Morris will be responsible to creating the obstacles as well as the "flood boxes". Approved by the Board of Directors.
- A new quote from Wiebe's Steel Structures for the Orange Building Roofs was submitted. PRICE: \$20,960 (per building), PST included, GST extra. This includes the removal of existing roof metal and replace with 29 gauge coloured sheeting, all foam closures, fasteners, and sealant and trim package for eave's, gable, and ridge. Existing strapping assumed to be re-used but will replace as needed for additional cost. Brian Wiebe made the motions to accept the quote and go ahead with the project, Donna Edel Seconded the motion. Carried

New Business:

President: Open seat on our Board: Norm Gauthier spoke with Tim Lewis based on the situation it is best to appoint a person to the empty seat for a one year term till the next AGM. Kim Burron will be asked to oversee the Gathering

of Nations. Kim was willing to join the Board but is not able to be on the grounds this summer. But is able to join virtual meetings. Norm Gauthier will contact Kim Burron to see if she is still willing to join.

Norm Gauthier will step into being the Fair Director with help from another Board member(s).

Financial: Sage has been reconciled to the Credit Union statement to the end of February 2021.

Accounts Receivable \$554.40

Accounts Payable is zero. Outstanding amount of \$40,000 for the Canadian Emergency Business Account which is due December 2022.

Checking Account balance is \$118,287.09

Remove Rocking Horse and Harness Racing from the budget.

Norm Gauthier asked Stan Siemens to contact Denis Robert regarding the grandstand pillar quote and possibly ask RM for financial assistance.

Chris Hamblin made the motion to accept the 2021 proposed budget.

Seconded by Chris Edel. Carried.

Personnel: No Reports

Rodeo: Rodeos are cancelling

Marketing: No Report

Membership: 60 members not including life time members.

Fair: No Report

Operations: Wiebe Steel Structures to be contacted to repair the orange buildings.

Farmers Market every second week Thursdays and Haunted Barn fall under Operations.

Rumble in the Valley: Brian Wiebe will talk to Matt Hoffman to create an official statement in the event of summer cancellations.

Brian Wiebe will be contacting Wiebe Steel Structures regarding partnership.

Chris Hamblin suggested that we have the sponsorship flow immediately but naming rights, etc. to begin the following year. Brian Wiebe to discuss with

Barry Wiebe what they are willing to do. Brian Wiebe will write out a proposal

and then forward it to the Board and then will contact Barry Wiebe for a meeting.

The water pole where the toboggan hill was will be fixed by the town this spring as it was hit this winter.

Grant: A list of Projects was sent to the Board to determine priority as well as obtain quotes for the projects. Each director needs to look at the list and identify what needs to be done as priority in their area and look for grants to apply.

Each director should be looking for grants in their areas to apply and work together with Cristine Edel to get quotes, etc.

General Office: Cristine Edel to send an email to Home Hardware to remove James Buhler and add Brian Wiebe as signing authority.

Crystal Legary asked if the Morris Grad could use the wooden fencing dividers. Approved. Crystal Legary will pick them up and bring them back.

Brian Wiebe made the motion to approve the reports. Seconded Stan Siemens. Carried.

Next meeting: May 6, 2021 @ 7:00 PM

Adjournment: Chris Edel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 pm. Seconded by Stan Siemens. Carried.