

**Valley Agricultural Society Board of Directors Meeting**  
**May 5, 2022 @ 7:00 pm**  
**Held at the R.M. of Morris Council Chambers**

**Present:** Brian Wiebe, Norm Gauthier, Chris Edel, Donna Edel, Matt Hoffman, Ryan Holness, Stan Siemens, Tim Lewis, Kaylyn Edel, Cristine Edel

**Absent:** Mike Bellisle, Chris Hamblin, Andy Krahn

**Call to Order:** Brian Wiebe called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

**Approval of Agenda:** Chris Edel made the motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Norm Gauthier. Carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Chris Edel made the motion to approve the minutes from April 7, 2022. Seconded by Norm Gauthier. Carried.

**Correspondence:** none

**Old Business:**

Norm Gauthier made the following motion:

“I move the Valley Agricultural Society resume ownership, responsibility, and insurance liability for the campground formerly operated under the guidance of the Morris Museum. The VAS agrees to take over all water, natural gas, & electrical utility costs, all grounds keeping work, shower house maintenance and upkeep, as well as ownership and all maintenance costs of the shower house building from the Morris Museum. The VAS agrees to allow the Morris Museum to use a pre-negotiated portion of the grass area, along the North property line, for Museum staff parking.”

Brian Wiebe seconded the motion. Carried

Cristine Edel has sent in the Smile Cookie information to Tim Horton's for September.

**New Business:**

Signing authority: Crystal Legary had signing authority. Donna Edel made the motion to remove Crystal Legary from our signing authority. Seconded by Ryan Holness. Donna Edel will contact the credit union to advise.

Chris Edel made the motion to purchase to purchase one set of surveillance cameras. Seconded by Tim Lewis. Carried

**President:**

Grandstand project should begin May 9, 2022. And should be complete in 3 weeks. Heartland Rodeo: Spoke with Dave and came back with a proposal to run their finals on our grounds. They are wanting the VAS to cover 1/3 of the cost and retain

the profits from all liquor sales on the VAS grounds, and tickets. Mid-September date

Stampede kick off meeting with the chamber: fire department has agreed to work with us with a bbq. Kick off will be on the grounds between 5:30 – 8:30. After party at Burkes.

Chamber would like the VAS to sponsor a mini petting zoo, or children's entertainment, pony rides, kiddie rides from the midway.

**Financial:**

Chris Edel made the motion to purchase a float of \$3,000.<sup>00</sup> for Rumble denominations to be determined. Seconded by Norm Gauthier. Carried.

**Mike Bellisle:** not here

**Norm Gauthier:** Tracy Dyck didn't take the week off but was off a few days due to illness. Carman is asking when his start date is. May 16<sup>th</sup> start date.

We need the tractors and mowers serviced before the 16<sup>th</sup>. Brian Wiebe to contact Denis Robert to see if he's willing to do the services.

**Chris Edel:** May not be around for Rumble due to late start for seeding this year.

**Ryan Holness:** Will be ordering the alcohol for rumble next week. Will be contacting Barb.

Would like to spend money for the green team to get more sweepers, pick-ups for garbage and smaller vests.

Alberta Premium has upped their sponsorship to \$6,000.<sup>00</sup>. Contract has not been signed yet.

No reefer needed for Rumble.

**Andy Krahn:** been working on sponsorship

**Matthew Hoffman:** Petting zoo is lined up. Manitoba Team Penning Association are also scheduled but still uncertain.

**Donna Edel:** Golden West emailed me regarding advertising. Discussion was had to accept the proposal but now would like to add Rumble to the package.

Donna Edel will email Tim Friesen and ask about Rumble advertising.

**Tim Lewis:** SMS Equipment is a new sponsor for the CPRA Rodeos

**Kaylyn Edel:** none

**Stan Siemens:** There will be 8 farmer's market. (2 a month) Set up at the campground. Starting in June. 5:30-8:00 PM

**General Office:** Starting to bring storage out. New phone has been ordered. Children's Entertainment Cristine Edel will ask Tracy Dyck to start obtaining quotes.

Campground damages: RCMP came to the office and most likely will not be any charges made. The suggestion was to have the kids clean up the damages and possibly paint over the spray paint. To replace the door and pay for the damages. The BBQ area needs more gravel. Brain Wiebe has already spoken to Brunet Construction regarding this.

Parade Route has been confirmed. Jody Jablonski is the parade marshal.

We are still honoring free tickets from 2020 for this year's events.

Tickets have been purchased online. As of today 10 for Rumble and 21 Stampede already.

Gathering of Nations is still happening and have people willing to help.

Matt Hoffman made the motion to accept all reports. Seconded by Chris Edel. Carried.

Work Parties need to start. Jobs for Carmen should be given to Cristine Edel.

**Next meeting:** June 2, 2022. Location to be determined.

**Adjournment:** Chris Edel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 pm. Seconded by Norm Gauthier. Carried