

Morton County Fairboard Minutes
June 15, 2017
Morton County Fairgrounds, New Salem

Call the Meeting to order – Sheldon Brandt

Roll Call – Tracy Boehm, Wendy Boehm, Sheldon Brandt, Shawn Feiring, Tony Heins, Karla Meikle, Rick Schaff, Barry Schulz, Kenny Schulz, Don Taghon, Paul Trauger, Meredyth Werchau, Jackie Buckley

Secretary's Report – Moved by Karla seconded by Wendy to approve the minutes as handed out. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report - \$123,321.42 in the checking account. \$3,025.90 in the web account. Moved by Shawn seconded by Karla to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Mill Levy Payment – We have received the mill levy payment from the Morton County Auditor, Dawn Rhone.

Bills to Pay – No bills were presented for payment.

Treasurer Comments – Tracy stressed to get all receipts to her as soon as possible. She asked that if there are bills to be paid during the fair and if we know the amount of payment; we should get those amounts to her prior to the fair so that she can get the checks made out ahead of time.

Guests

Medieval Rush – Tanner Schweitzer – He considered Medieval Rush a success. The same for the Country Fest. He would like to reserve the fairgrounds for Medieval Rush for June 16, 2018 and June 15, 2019. He would like to use the concession building, the entire entertainment/exhibit building. He will need 2 weeks for setup.

Country Fest – Brandon Ralph reported to the board stating that this event was also successful. There were no security problems, it was a good event and they received positive feedback. They requested their deposit back.

- He proposed to set the dates for July 12-15, 2018 and July 11-14, 2019
- It would be a two day event.
- Concern was expressed that it would be held one week ahead of Cowtown Hoedown. This was a concern of the Civic Club members who were also at the meeting.
- Concern was also expressed that it would be the same weekend of the Mercer County Fair.

A committee was appointed to work on the logistics for these two events. The committee is Mark Fleck, Alex Hager, Tracy Boehm, Don Taghon, and Karla Meikle. There will be a report at the next meeting.

Civic Club – Shane Tellman and Mark Pazdernik were present at the meeting. They requested to use the Beer trailer for Cowtown Hoedown Days. Moved by Barry seconded by Tony to allow them to use the trailer. Motion carried.

Old Business

Web Page – Is up and running.

New Business

Fair Reports

Chicken Supper – Chicken has been ordered from Prairie West Meats. All of the other supplies have been ordered.

Pedal Pull – Meredyth still needs a contract

Power Pull – No report

Antique Tractor Pull – No report

Beer Garden – No report

Moved by Wendy seconded by Karla to raise the beer price to \$4 and the price of tea will be \$5. Motion carried.

Camping – 38 spoken for. 23 left.

Fair Book & Trophies – Book is at the printers. All trophies are spoken for.

Entertainment – All set

Rodeo

Muttin Bustin' - Rick will bring the sheep. Barry will take of the helmets and the vests.

Advertising – Barry is working on getting the contracts signed for advertising. He thought he had a budget of \$10,000. It was decided to try and reduce this amount.

Buckles – Buckles are ordered and sponsors have been contacted.

Ranch Rodeo – No report

Vendors – All spots are booked.

Inflatables – Has proof of insurance.

Horse Stalls – we may be short. Also horse exhibitors will need to be reminded to bring their own wood chips.

Budget Committee – A committee was appointed to work on the 2018 Fair Budget. Tracy Boehm, Mark Fleck, Karla Meikle, Jackie Buckley and Don Taghon were appointed.

Moved by Tony seconded by Mark to take the beer ticket sales of the website. Motion carried.

Spot-A-Pot – ordered two more

Security – Taken care of

PA System - Karla – Tony will donate his system.

Maintenance Report – Alex

Lawn Care – Grass cutting has become expensive. However, if we have events at the fairgrounds this is an expense we will incur.

Next Meeting – July 20, 2017 – 8:00 pm

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Jackie Buckley, Fair Secretary

Morton County Fairboard Agenda
July 18, 2017 – 7:30 p.m.

Call the Meeting to order

Roll Call

Secretary's Report
Treasurer's Report
Treasurer's Comments
Bills to Pay

Guests

Old Business

Medieval Rush – Committee Report

Old Business

New Business

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Livestock Barns

- All Judges are hired.
- May need to get more cages down from the rafters in the Old Sheep Barn
- Horse Stalling – too many horses not enough pens. Can some be allowed to go home?

Maintenance Report – Alex

Any Other Business

Next Meeting – July 31, 2017 – 7:30 pm - Work Day and Cleanup

August meeting, Thursday, Aug. 17, 2017, 7:30 p.m.