

Greene County Fair Board Meeting Minutes

Monday; January 29, 2024

Attendance: Carol Adamson, Tammy Brookover, Jared Edgreen, Scott Hackenburg, Courtney Hursey, Betsy McClure, Bret Moore, Kelly Morris, Rick Patton, Blair Zimmerman and Pam Marissa.

There was a large community presence of roughly 25 – 30 individuals.

Chairman Commissioner Edgreen called meeting to order promptly at 6:30 pm.

Commissioner Edgreen started the meeting with a Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

- He then thanked everyone for coming and welcomed the new board members.

Proceedings moved to the swearing in of the new board members:

- Larry Yost objected to the moving forward of that proceeding until there was an explanation of why the original board was dissolved. Carol Adamson with the support of Commissioner Betsy McClure and Commissioner Blair Zimmerman, explained that they would answer all of those question after the boards business was taken care of, Mr. Yost agreed but said “That he was still going to object to the swearing in of the board and the elections of the officers”. Carol Adamson replied that she is fine with that.
- Commissioner Edgreen told Ms. Yost we would be following “Roberts Rules of Order” and we would give him ample time during “Public Comments” to ask questions.

Commissioner Edgreen asked the board members to stand and Raise their right hand, all members where swear in.

Meeting proceeded to the election of officers.

Commissioner Betsy McClure nominated Carol Adamson for President and Courtney Hursey 2nd, all approved, nomination carried.

Carol Adamson then took over the processing’s of the rest of the meeting.

Commissioner Betsy McClure nominated Commissioner Jared Edgreen as Vice President and President Carol Adamson 2nd, all approved, nomination carried.

Commissioner Betsy McClure nominated Tammy Brookover for Secretary and Courtney Hursey 2nd, all approved, nomination carried.

President Carol Adamson nominated Courtney Hursey for Treasurer and Tammy Brookover 2nd, all approved, nomination carried.

Carol Adamson read the minutes of the August 28, 2023 Meeting.

Commissioner Blair Zimmerman made a motion to accept the minutes and Commissioner Betsy McClure 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

Courtney Hursey, handed out the Treasurer Report and went over all transactions that took place with the finances.

- Mr. Yost question active on the account without a Fair Board in place. He was assured by Courtney Hursey that didn't take place. President Carol Adamson did explain that Courtney and herself submitted letters of interest to be placed back on the fair board. They were appointed to the board to take all necessary action needed to get last year's fair affairs in order.

Courtney informed the board of the bills that needed paid: phone bill, software renewal and Patton Electric. Courtney expresses some concern about the Patton Electric bill that was in excess of over \$9000.00 and wasn't sure if the total bill was the Fair Board's responsibility.

A vendor did do damage to a panel box that cause the prison to lose the Surveillance Camera system. Scott Hackenburg had question why doesn't the vendors pay a deposit. Commissioner Betsy McClure ask Cortney to reach back out to Patton Electric to get a detailed itemized bill.

Commissioner Blair Zimmerman made a motion to table this until the February meeting, Rick Patten 2nd, all approve, motion carried.

James Cowell asked for a copy of Treasurers report, Courtney Hursey stated she was not aware that copies of the report where to be given to the guest at the meeting.

Old Business:

Grandstand LED Grant is still pending

New Business:

Commissioner Edgreen spoke on the importance of having a Barn and Animal Superintendent

The board appointed:

Wes Simpson – Barn Superintendent

Robin Archer – Animal Superintendent

Bret Moore – Fair Manger

Commissioner Edgreen stated that there will be Rules/Guild lines/Responsible complied for the barn/animal superintendents.

Commissioner Edgreen motioned to have a job description/roles and responsibilities for each Barn and Livestock Superintendent, Carol Adamson 2nd, all approved, motion carried

Fair Board Convention (Hersey Pa.)

Commissioner Edgreen spoke of:

Amusement, Pulls and Derby and about drawing more of the community to the Fair

Courtney Hursey spoke of:

Her 1st convention, attended meeting on Grants and Contacts

Bret Moore spoke of:

How to help out your local Fair

Melody Longstreth spoke of:

Fair Queen, very proud of The Greene Co. Queen, she represents our County very well. She worked very hard.

Commissioner Betsy McClure spoke of:

What an honor it was that our County was asked to attend a State Meeting and very proud that our commissioner do attend the Convention.

Betsy complemented Melody with a great job she is doing with the Fair Queen Competition.

President Carol Adamson invited the guest to get involved with any of the committees for the Fair and then she opened the floor for the guest to ask question.

Larry Yost wanted the Commissioner to walk though why the original board was dissolved.

- Commissioner Blair Zimmerman informed Mr. Yost that the Commissioner where in their rights to dissolve the Fair Board. They consulted with their Solicitor and informed Mr. Yost that he could file for a “Right to Know”.

Dulcie Christman asked the board to give her a budget so she could hire judges for the Fair. There was a discussion: Rick Patton made a motion to a lot \$5000.00 to obtain judges for the Fair, Scott Hackenburg 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

President Carol Adamson informed the guest that Lew Crouse had a committee for the different breeds of all animals, to update the fair book and entry fees. Needs to be completed by next meeting in February. Books have to go to the printers by March.

Zeb McNett inquired about the relationship among the Commissioners and the new board members:

- All three Commissioners were in agreement by saying that each new member of the board had to submit a letter of interest and their experience on why they should be considered. That is how the Commissioner based their decision on who they appointed to the board.

Bryan Synder asked about a Spring Bull Sale – informed that is not something that the Fair Board would control

Topics that still need work:

June Pulls

- Lew Crouse asked if the Farm Bureau could sell 50/50 tickets

Entry Fees at the gate for the Fair

Fair Passes for 4hers

James Cowell did make a statement to the guest that he was there for the kids in the barn and if they needed anything to just give him a call.

Commissioner Blair Zimmerman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Commissioner Betsy McClure 2nd, all approved, motion carried.

Next Meeting: February 26th at 6:00 pm

Respectively Submitted

Tammy Brookover

Fair Board Secretary