

# Greene County Fair Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday: July 30, 2024

**Attendance:** Tammy Brookover, Jared Edgreen, Scott Hackenburg, Molly Henderson, Courtney Hursey, Pam Marisa, Betsy McClure, Bret Moore, Kelley Morris, and Blair Zimmerman.

There was a community presence of roughly 38 individuals.

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

- Welcome everyone to the meeting.

Commissioner Jared Edgreen lead the board in a Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

Melody Longstreth introduced the New Greene County Fair Queen and her court.

- Each member of the court introduced themselves and spoke to the board and the community.

Commissioner Jared Edgreen thanked the Queen and her count for coming to the meeting and excused them.

Jared Edgreen then announced that the Public Comments would be next because there was a lot the board had to get accomplished for the fair next week.

Commissioner Jared Edgreen made a statement:

- “The Greene County Fair Board have become aware of recent criticisms regarding The Little Mermen’s planned performance at the fair this year. The little Mermen are a Disney tribute band that brings joy to children of backgrounds and abilities, they are not a “Drag Show” with any hidden themes or agendas. We stand by our decision to feature them. We believe their performance will provide a magical experience for everyone attending.”
- This was going to be add to the Fair’s Facebook page.

Commissioner Betsy McClure motion to add the above statement to the Facebook page, Tammy Brookover 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

## **Public Comments:**

- A female member of the community spoke of support for the fair board moving forward with The Little Mermen.
- A minister of the community spoke of support for the fair board’s decision as well.

Minutes were distributed and reviewed by the board and posted to the Fair Board website.

- asked for discussion/none needed.

Commissioner Betsy McClure motion to accept the minutes, Commissioner Blair Zimmerman 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

Courtney Hursey presented the treasurer's report and paying of the bills.

Tammy Brookover motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Molly Henderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

### **Old Business:**

#### **4H Horse Club – Discussion**

- 95% sure no round up, due to weather
- No riders in rain or lighting

#### **Ticket Sales – Discussion**

- Tickets given for Winners of contest/40 tickets on line
- No tickets sold for the craft event
- IT working WIFI at the gates
- Checking Scanners
- Can buy craft tickets at the door

#### **Infield/Vendors**

- Vendors fully booked

#### **Wine Tasting**

- 6 Vendors
- Cheese/Food ordered
- Non-Alcoholic beverages
- Glasses/Arm bands are here

#### **Capital Improvement Grant**

- No Updates

#### **John W Mignot Scholarship Program – Discussion**

- No applicants
- 2 years if 4H
- College/Trade school
- \$1000

#### **Building 10 Events – Discussion**

- Monday Night – Arts & Craft
  - Flower or Disney
- Wednesday Night – Arts & Craft
  - Rodeo Painting/Stackable wood farm animal boxes
- Friday Night – Arts & Craft
  - Wood Burning

Entertainment/DJ – music/band

### **Embroid'm**

- Staff Shirts
- Logo approved

### **Lead Line**

- Good and Ready
- Invoices that need paid

### **New Business:**

#### **Improved Signage – Bret Moore**

- Good
- Rest of signs delivered tomorrow
- Signs at every gate

#### **Live Stock Scales – Discussion**

- Certified and ready to go this year
- Committee formed for new scales
- Donations – Robin Archer

#### **Fair Passes – Courtney Hursey**

- VIP for Sponsors
- 1 - 4H member & 1 – parent
- Exhibitors – 1 pass and 1 parking pass

Betsy McClure motion to give all open class exhibitors 1 fair pass and 1 parking pass, Molly Henderson 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

- Volunteers
- Home and Garden
- Non – exhibitors

Besty McClure motion to give all non-exhibitors passes, Courtney Hursey 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

Leslie Mooney presented her agreement for the photos and explained that her logo will be on the bottom of all photos.

### **Committee Reports:**

#### **Track – Jared Edgreen**

- Track work Hayden Excavation
- Justion – Good line up

#### **Fair Queen – Melody Longstreth**

- Queen's court spoke at the beginning of the meeting.

#### **Midway & Attractions – Bret Moore**

- All good/right on track for the fair
- Putten Busten
  - Sign up for kids
  - Wednesday at 5
  - Kiddos under 55 lbs.

#### **Advertising/Sponsorship – Pam Marisa**

- Good
- Under budget
- \$76,000 in sponsorship
- Everything updated and ready to go
- Air time on Morgantown station, WKKW, WCLG
  - Extra \$2600

Pam Marisa motion to spend an extra \$2600 for radio advertising on WKKW, Scott Hackenburg 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

#### **Home & Garden – Courtney Hursey**

- Good
- Judges obtained
- Volunteers
- Tags printed

#### **Barn (Wes)/Livestock (Roin)**

- Robin Archer
  - Good
  - Nothing from State
- Wes Simpson

- Barn looks great (floor work)
- Lamb pens are set
- Around pens for show ring
  - Scott Blair is loaning 3 pieces

**Musical Acts –**

- Stage coming on Sunday

**Fair Book –**

- All good

**Public Comments:**

- Schedule works for the fair.
- Facebook updated daily.
- Fair Board member at each gate
  - Sign-up sheet for duties
- Brenda Cramer
  - Electricity for the front row campers
  - Water and sewage
  - Tom Patten will be asked to look into the power boxes for campers
  - Bingo upstairs
  - NO Fireworks
- Ribbon Cutting at Noon on Sunday
  - Local School Bands
  - 4H club with animals (1 animal from all clubs)
- Dulcie Christman
  - Dr, Moore – vet
  - George Scull is helping the vet
  - 7:00 to 3:00
- Lew Crouse
  - Needs 8 Tables in the barn
  - 4H displays
- Pam Wright
  - Camper's parking pass
  - Parking at where the old barn stood

Bret Moore motion for a parking polices, Tammy Brookover 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

Larry Yost (arrived late to the meeting) wanted an explanation about the Disney band on Monday of the fair.

He was informed that was addressed at the beginning of the meeting and will not be discussed.

Commissioner Blair Zimmerman motion to adjourn the meeting, Tammy Brookover 2<sup>nd</sup>, all approved, and the motion carried.

**Executive Meeting was Called** – visitor were asked to leave.

**Next Meeting August 26, 2024 @ 6:00 pm.**

**Respectively Submitted**

**Tammy Brookover**

**Fair Board Secretary**