

Benton County Agricultural Society
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Ted Prom, President, called the meeting of the Benton county board of directors to order at 7:07pm on December 16th 2025 at the fair office. Members present Jody Prom, Ken Bemboom, Scott Morris, Sam Morris, Erich Rothstein, Ashley Willenbring, Troy Theisen, and Jimmy Zanardi. Guest: Mary Jo Kometz, Acting Secretary: Anna Lyon and Treasure: Cheryl Scapanski at 7:30.

Mary Jo Kometz submitted her nomination to become a director.

Scott Morris moved to approve the agenda with date corrections. Ashley Willenbring seconded the motion. Voice vote all approved.

Erich Rothstein made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 18th meeting. Ashley Willenbring seconded the motion.

Jody Prom reminded everyone of the things that need done starting in January.

Groundskeeper reported the snow had been plowed.

Ashley Willenbring left the meeting. Jody Prom gave a report on the applicants for the General Manager Position. The committee is Nominating Molliee Duffield for the Position. Jimmy Zanardi made a motion to hire Molliee Duffield for the General Manager position. Scott Morris seconded the motion. Motion passed. Ashley Willenbring re-entered the meeting.

Ted Prom will meet with representatives from the Sportsman Building at 1:00 Wednesday to update the contract.

Minutes are no longer being mailed to past members or directors as of 11/2022 and noted in the 10/2022 minutes. They are available on line since 2021.

Ted Prom met with Quinliven & Hughes Lawyers to go over the bylaws. Members were given a copy of the bylaws with changes noted. There is a 90 Day waiting period for any changes to go into effect.

Treasures report was given by Cheryl Scapanski. Erich Rothstein moved to accept the treasures report. Ken Bemboom second.

Scott Morris will follow up with Steve on leaf collection and Blow out.

New Business: Election of Officers Scott Morris nominated Ted Prom, he respectfully declined. Ken Bemboom nominated Erich Rothstein, he respectfully declined. Scott Morris nominated Ken Bemboom, He respectfully declined. Ken Bemboom nominated Ashley Willenbring for President. Scott Morris moved to closed nominations. Erich Rothstein seconded. Scott Morris moved to cast a unanimous ballot. Erich Rothstein seconded. Motion passed. Ashley Willenbring preside over the remainder of the

meeting. Ken Bemboom nominated Sam Morris for Vice President. Erich Rothstein made a motion to cast a unanimous ballot for Sam Morris. Ken Bemboom seconded. Motion passed. Ted Prom was nominated for treasure by Ken Bemboom, Scott Morris moved to close nominations. Ken Bemboom seconded. Scott Morris moved to cast a unanimous ballot. Ken Bemboom seconded the motion. Jody and Ted Prom had Nay votes. Motion passed.

Ted Prom will get ahold of Rhoda Fagerland regarding convention, if she is not able to go then Mary Jo Kometz will.

Jimmy Zanardi made a motion to accept Mary Jo Kometz as a Benton county Agricultural Society member. Erich Rothstein seconded. Motion passed.

Jody Prom moved to accept the 2026 budget. Sam Morris seconded. All Approved voice vote.

Jody Prom will update the white boards in the office.

Ted Prom moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:15Pm. Erich Rothstein seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted

Anna Lyon, Acting Secretary