

Dakota County Agriculture Society
Board of Director Meeting
February 7, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by Pete Storlie, followed by Pledge of Allegiance

Board Members present- Ed Barrett, Pete Storlie, Jeff Wright, Neil Deplazes, Mark Langer, John Hubener, Melanie Storlie, Marge Snyder, Ariana Sorem.

Not Present- Sarah Dingles, Sandy Weber, Ashlyn Otto

Visitors present- Kristine Smith, Rhonda Rademacher, Anne Meyer

Approval of Agenda-

- Motion by Mark Langer to approve meeting agenda presented, seconded by Ed Barrett. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes-

- Motion by Neil Deplazes to approve minutes as presented, seconded by John Hubener. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Dakota City Report-

- Rhonda Rademacher was present and said they are getting used to their new positions and working things out. It is a work in progress.

Finance Report-

- Motion by Neil Deplazes to add Connor Schulte to the Finance Committee, 2nd by Marge Snyder. **Motion** carried unanimously.
- Motion by Neil Deplazes to close Roundbank (MinnWest) accounts, 2nd by Mark Langer. **Motion** carried unanimously.
- Motion by Melanie Storlie to approve financials subject to audit, seconded by John Hubener. **Motion** carried unanimously.
- Motion by Ariana Sorem to accept claims list as presented, 2nd by John Hubener. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Sales & Marketing-

- Motion by Jeff Wright to start Saturday night derby at 6pm, 2nd by Ariana Sorem. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Facilities-

- Motion by Ed Barrett to add Mark Bigelow and Don Drewry to Facilities Committee, 2nd by Jeff Wright. **Motion** Passed.
- Ed presented a quote from PCi for Jersey barriers for upgrading the grandstand pit area. Motion by Ed Barrett to spend the \$10,000 to purchase the Jersey Barriers from PCi, 2nd by John Hubener. **Motion** carried unanimously.

Old Business-

- Ed Barrett gave an update on the paving project. DCAS will need to get an engineer to do work for the project. After a plan is completed then we can go out for bids for the pavement.
- Pete Storlie discussed our next big capital improvement projects. Executive Committee brought up what they thought would be the best next project, the beer pavilion.
 - Motion by Jeff Wright to set aside up to \$6,000 for securing an architect for the starting process for the beer pavilion. A contract with scope of work the architect would do and pricing will be brought back to facilities for approval. Seconded by Mark Langer, **Motion Passed.**

New Business –

- Pete Storlie brought documents to share with the board that he received at the convention.
- Pete Storlie discussed that Baldman Brewery is going to adjust the formula a bit on the beer that was made for the fair and going to make more kegs for this year. They also may be interested in a larger sponsorship.

Motion to Adjourn by Ariana Sorem and seconded by John Hubener.