

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gardner at 8:10 p.m.

Mr. Weible made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes. Dr. McGough seconded. Motion carried.

Bill Amick and Ted Pollock representing NASCAR met with the board and presented costs for the crash rail and stated they are very interested in putting on weekly or semipweekly races and would help with the cost of improvements. Total costs of the crash fence, repairs to the grandstand, etc. would be \$12,69.31 which does not include the grading of the track or any labor costs. They would like to get started soon as the racing season starts the later part of March. It was mentioned that the National Guard, Marines or Seebies might be interested in doing the grading and leveling on the track as a practical week-end project. This will be looked into. The board thanked them for coming and as soon as drainage problems are worked out and money is available, they will be notified.

Mr. Walt Schroeder and John Leffel attended the board meeting. Mr. Schroeder informed the board that he is leaving Washington County to accept a position in Curry County. The board stated their regret in his discision. He asked about the 4-H horse show dates, night showmanship and release time for horses. The board will discuss the release time more thoroughly and let Mr. Leffel know of their discision, agreed that night showmanship should continue and more lights placed around the show ring, and to keep 4-H horse show on Tuesday and Wednesday. If the area in front of the grandstand is used for this, the possibility of not having a stage show in the afternoon on those two days was considered. Mr. Leffel stated the Livestock Association is again planning to put on a steak barbeque and would like it on Friday night and the Prime Stock Sale following. This will be considered as the program is put together.

Bob Alexander of the Fair Boosters informed the board of their progress. The Soil Conservation Service has gone as far as they could on the drainage problem stating the need is for a storm sewer. An engineering project is what is needed now. Mr. Vic Bringle would do the complete feasibility study for \$2000.00. The Fair Boosters will continue to solicit funds when the program is complete. At the present time, they have nothing to show the business men or individuals. Dr. McGough made a motion to write a letter to Vic Bringle Engineering Firm and authorize him to begin the study. Mr. Jossy seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Alexander requested a copy of the letter.

Mr. Pers Crowell showed a film of the Alpenrose Shetland Pony Shodeo. He stated the Shetland Pony people are interested in renting the track for pony trotting races during the season and possibly during the fair. If held during the fair, the fair would put up the purses and collect entry fees. The board thanked him for attending the meeting and that they had enjoyed the film. This will be put in the plans and considered. Mr. Crowell said they could use the 3/8 mile track that NASCAR requests.

Having a circus and/or and Indian show was discussed. The secretary had met a group of Indians from the Portland area and they are interested in putting on a program at the fair. The secretary was advised to obtain more information about the number of people who would be in the show and exactly what they would do. As soon as more information is available the board will make their discision.

Mr. Ball informed the board there were many projects to be done in getting the grounds ready. The restroom in the office will be started as soon as Mr. Wortman returns from vacation. Other things are the drainage area for the 4-H Chuck Wagon which has always been a problem, replacing steps on the office, repair seats in the grandstand, build barbeque rack, set up totem pole and repair tractor motor. The board agreed to start on the rest room and get tractor repaired.

The premium book was discussed. The secretary asked the board's opinion of not

having ads sold, just pay for the printing of the book, eliminating the 4-H section from the general book, using a cheaper grade of paper, using mailing labels instead of envelopes, this would cut postage costs and handling. The board will come to a decision when the costs are available.

Mr. Lindow asked the board if Roy Benson could hold a consignment sale for farm machinery on the grounds within the next 5-6 weeks. The board agreed to allow this use, asking a deposit of \$100.00 for cleanup, the rental price to be agreed upon later.

Mr. Lindow stated the Holstein sale will be April 3.

The secretary informed the board that she had signed a contract with Red Spot Amusement Company, since nothing further has been heard from West Coast shows and time was getting short.

The following bills were presented for payment:


#107 - Betty Shearer - 119.40
#153 - State Compensation Dept. - 16.15
#154 - West Coast Telephone Co. - 25.05
#155 - Portland General Electric - 23.82
#156 - Northwest Natural Gas - 4.45
#157 - City of Hillsboro Utilities Comm - 16.00
#158 - Hillsboro Office Supply - 2.70
#159 - Margaret Burkhardt - 15.00

Mr. Weible made a motion to pay the above bills. Mr. Lindow seconded. Motion carried.

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Shearer, Secretary


Approved