

March 2nd, 1959
County Extension Office
Hillsboro.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by the president

Al. Lindow.

Members present were Al Lindow, Earl Simantel, Ed Ball and Ethel Fleshman.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice of the Beaverton Grange met with the board to discuss the part the County Court and the Fair Board played in sending the sweepstake winning booth to the State Fair, and whether or not it would be possible to arrnage some monetary reimbursement to helf affray expenses. After due discussion it was suggested that Mr. Rice meet with the County Court for further help.

Joe Floren of the Hillsbor Changer of Commerce submitted a letter offering held, manual and financial, in trying to make ths years fair the biggest yet. See letter attached.

Mr. Hornecker of the Pomona Grange met to find out if it would be possible to make the grand stand a safer place in case of fire by adding additional exits. It was agreed by the board that we would check with the fire marshall to decide if it met with state requirements. Tabled for further consideration.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved as read on a motion by Mr. Simantel, seconded by Mr. Lindow and carried.

The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Earl Simantel, seconded by Al. Lindow and carried.

351	Northwest Natural Gas Co.	\$ 1.15
352	Portland General Electric Co.	23.35
353	P.E.R.F.	.89
354	Beaverton Transfer	11.50
355	Oregon Fair Association	50.00
356	Ben Faber Electric Co.	77.17
357	Voided	
358	Ethel Fleshman	76.67
359	Petty Cash	10.00
	TOTAL	\$ 250.73

Joe Cox discussed with the board the need to get the floor black topped in the 4-H building and also the need of additional strings on the live stock bard as there will be so many more entries this year than ever before.


Mr. Cox also asked the board to reserve the empty booths in a group so that they could be used for contest areas, and to hold if possible the three booths behind the platform until the end. There followed a discussion about space and great concern over it as there will be so many animals and no place to bed them down. Mr. Lindow expressed hope that the building given the board would be erected in time, but even at that we would still be short. Mr. Cox suggested that showing of hogs and sheep for 2-3 days be followed by showing horses for 2-3 days thus doubling up on the use of the space available.

Judging of sheep and hogs early one morning and allowing the balance of the day for clearing out and cleaning up in preparation to housing horses

Further discussion followed on the need to construct a good and servicable wash rack with concrete slab and proper drainage to cope with the needs.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted


Ethel M. Fleshman
Secretary

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9/10/59

Approved.


President

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Washington county fair board
Hillsboro, Oregon

Dear sirs:

Hillsboro chamber of commerce, realizing the benefits to this area of a lively and well-attended county fair, once again has appointed a committee to act as liaison between your board and the chamber, and to assist in any way with promotion and expansion of the fair.

As you know, the chamber participated last year in planning the fair's first amateur talent show. Should the fair board decide such an event is worth repeating, our organization again stands ready to lend an assist.

Some other possibilities for attracting larger crowds, which were discussed briefly at a recent agriculture committee meeting, include these:

Featuring a home show;

Incorporating a horse show with the fair (NOTE: Jaycees of Hillsboro sponsored a horse event last July, which brought a large number of participants but, unfortunately, few spectators.)

Offering ~~a~~ sporting event, possibly a fly casting competition or trap shoot;

Featuring an air show and/or free airplane rides for fair attenders.

Free Space to Activities

Possibly none of these suggestions would be feasible in your plans for this year. They are by no means the only activities in which the chamber is interested.

In short, any assistance in manpower, material or money, which you need and which we're able to contribute, is yours for the asking.

Yours in the interests of a bigger and better county fair.

Most sincerely,
Hillsboro chamber of commerce
agriculture committee,
Joe Floren, chairman,
county fair subcommittee.