

DIXON COUNTY AGI SOCIETY August 22, 2016 MEETING
Concord Senior Citizens Center, Concord NE

President Mike Rewinkel called the meeting to order as published with 8 members present: Mike Rewinkel, Sandy Newton, Cristy Bathke, Don Cunningham, Jeremy Kneifl, Mark Muller, Gary Hank and Allan Bauman. Absent: Ryan Lubberstedt and T.J. Nelson. Guest Keith Jarvi.

The Nebraska Open Meetings Act information was posted by the entrance door.

Secretary Bauman's July minutes were sent to the Board and approved as sent.

Treasurer Newton's report was: General Fund Income \$70706.00, Expenses \$86787.22, Balance \$32008.36, Savings \$3064.90, DC Capital Imp. Sinking Fund Income \$5000.00, Expenses \$11456.00, Balance \$1229.56. Jeremy motioned to accept the treasurer's report and pay pending bills. Don 2nd. MCU.

Keith shared suggestions with the board that came from the 4-H council for the fairs improvement- sound systems in beef buildings and show ring, fans in show ring and livestock office and shelves in livestock office.

Projects for 2017: A. Check sewer line behind west restroom. B. Rafter in horse barn on south side and east half. C. Pens and gates in southeast C/C building.

The Dixon County Convention and Visitors Grant final report will be prepared and submitted as soon all advertizing invoices are received.

Dixon County hosts the Greater Northeast Nebraska Fair Circuit meeting on Sept. 11th at the fair grounds with social @ 4:30, with meal at 5:00 of Pulled Pork sandwiches, pickles, chips, salads, drinks and bars, meeting following. Counties are to RSVP by Sept 2nd. We will decide number of salads, bars, chips, that board member will bring for meal. Sept. 7th @ 4:30 will be clean up night at fair grounds for all members. The Commons area and west RR will be the area used for meeting.

Four, Board of Directors' terms are expiring in November. Allan Bauman indicated he would run for a position. Sandy Newton indicated she will not run. Ryan Lubberstedt was absent. Mark Muller did not indicate. And we have an open position.

2016 Fair Review:

1. Horseshoes – Successful, have it again. Bill O'Quinn from Dixon will head it next year.

2. Parking – Having string lines in west gate parking area and having cars go to north end then turn south to park worked well. Having someone in Pullers truck area was a plus.

3. Sunday Church – Nice attendance. Rain made it move to Commons area. Check with Faith Lutheran in Maskell for the 2017 Fair.

4. Gospel Group – Excellent music with larger crowd. Consider them for 2017.

5. Car Show and Antiques – Around 50 cars and trucks. 70 tractors and machinery.

6. Barbeque – 1125 served with light rain. Need to reduce meat and buns.

7. Grandstand – Rain delay, stage need to be closer to grandstand if on track. Need variety of music.

8. Carnival – Advance sales, OK. North sales could be better. Others about the same and West sales good.

9. Horse Show – Numbers down a little. Team Sorting – Numbers up.

10. Tractor Pulls – Afternoon, above average in grandstand. Outlaws, excellent. Had 65 pulls. 2 sleds cut down on amount of time for commercials on big screen TV. A good crowd. May need to reduce number of classes due to cost. \$20.00 for gate got lots of complaints.

11. Pedal Pull – good, lots of pullers and watchers.

12. Demo Derby – Big crowd. Had 9 cars in Figure 8, 6 in compact derby, 9 in Stock, 8 in limited weld =32 cars

13. Judging – Poultry and rabbit show ran late. 9 o'clock?

14. Machinery – Good selection.

15. Teen Dance – Only about 20 kids. May not have it again.

16. Restrooms – New RR stools flush handle needing to be held down, not just tripped when flushing caused problems. Showers need caulking to keep water contained.

17. Campers – Advanced registration working well with having locations numbered. Number of campers up to 25.

18. Beer Garden – More people attending, profitable but maybe need to reduce music costs.

20. Livestock Judging Contest—Great turnout, 61 participated

21. Chainsaw Artist – Mix up on his arrival time but having him come and work Monday and Tuesday with auction Tues & Wed worked well.

Appreciation Supper and Budget Meeting is September 18th at 6:30 at the Allen Fire Hall.

A female hurt her ankle Wed evening as she got off the bleachers in Beer Garden. Our insurance representatives have interviewed witnesses and are following up on this.

Next meeting is September 18, 2016, 6:30 p.m., at the Allen Fire Hall.

Meeting adjourned on Mark's motion.

Allan Bauman, Secretary