

Greene County Fair Board
Monday, December 2, 2019
Minutes

The Greene County Fair Board met on Monday, December 2, 2019 at the Greene County Fairgrounds, at 6:30 PM. The members in attendance were Larry Marshall, Debbie Stephenson, Barry Moore, Archie Trader, Jeff Lash, Susan Maley and Eric Marshall.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Moore.

Mr. E. Marshall advised the board that Jean Scott had submitted her resignation from the Greene County Fair Board to the Greene County Commissioners. Mr. Moore thanked her for her service to the Fair Board.

The following guests were in attendance: Jim Cowell, George Skull, and Lew Crouse

Election of Officers:

Mr. L. Marshall made a motion to nominate Barry Moore as President. Mr. Trader seconded the nomination. Ms. Stephenson made a motion to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. Lash. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. L. Marshall made a motion to nominate Jeff Lash as Vice-President. Mr. Trader seconded the nomination. Ms. Stephenson made a motion to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. Trader. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. L. Marshall made a motion to nominate Eric Marshall as Secretary. Mr. Trader seconded the nomination. Ms. Stephenson made a motion to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. Trader. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mr. L. Marshall made a motion to nominate Debbie Stephenson as Treasurer. Mr. Lash seconded the nomination. Mr. Trader made a motion to close the nomination, seconded by Mr. Lash. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Greene County Fair Board Officers for the coming year are:

Barry Moore, President
Jeff Lash, Vice-President
Eric Marshall, Secretary
Debbie Stephenson, Treasurer

Set the 2020 Fair Board Schedule:

Mr. Lash made a motion to adopt the proposed schedule as presented. Ms. Stephenson seconded the motion. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

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Public Comment: Jim Cowell congratulated the Board on a successful Fair from his perspective. Specifically, the dust issue on Sunday were not the Fair Board's fault.

Minutes – From the Previous Meeting

A motion was made by Mr. Trader to accept the minutes of the prior meeting dated July 15, 2019. This motion was seconded by, Ms. Stephenson. Motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report / Payment of Bills: Ms. Stephenson presented the Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills since the last meeting. A motion was made by Mr. Lash to accept the report. Mr. Trader seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

Ms. Stephenson advised the Board on the status of grants submitted to the state last year. The grant for new LED Lighting in the Arena Barn was looking promising, but the Gate Grant had been denied.

New Business:

Mr. L. Marshall advised the board, that the date for this year's fair would be August 10th – 15th, 2020. The fair is always 4 weeks back from Labor Day and Labor Day is late this year. Mr. L. Marshall made a motion to apply for Greene County Tourism Grants for 2020. The motion was seconded by Ms. Stephenson and the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. L. Marshall advised the Board on the contract status with our Carnival provider, Tropical Amusements. 2019 was the last year of our contract and after discussions with Tropical Amusements, they had presented a 3-year contract renewal for consideration. As part of this agreement, Tropical Amusements has asked that the gate price be increased to \$10.00 per person from the \$8.00 per person that it has been for well over 10 years. The contract is between the Greene County Commissioners and Tropical Amusements, but in the past the Commissioners would like a recommendation from the Fair Board before entering into this agreement. The Commissioners had also asked for an increase in the insurance protections that Tropical Amusements provides, and they had agreed to that. All other parts of the agreement remain as previously negotiated. Mr. L. Marshall made motion that the Fair Board recommend to the Greene County Commissioners to enter into an agreement with Tropical Amusements for a 3-year contract to provide amusement rides for the Greene County Fair beginning with the 2020 Fair. Ms. Stephenson seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Ms. Stephenson advised the Board that there is currently only one FFA student that will be competing in the expanded age exception that was granted last year.

Mr. Moore wanted to thank outgoing Fair Board members Archie Trader and Dave Coder for their service on the Fair Board over the years.

Dates to remember:

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2020 Pennsylvania State Association of Fairs Convention, Hershey, PA January 22-25, 2020
2020 Greene County Fair August 10, 2020 through August 15, 2020

Adjournment:

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 4, 2019 at 6:30 PM at the Greene County Fairgrounds. Motion to adjourn by Mr. Marshall and seconded by Mr. Trader. Motion was approved unanimously.