

MINUTES of EXPO-ICE CENTER BOARD MEETING

Held Wednesday, March 2, 2016

Location: Expo Merchant's Building – 4921 Expo Drive, Manitowoc WI

Present: J. Vetting, D. Pollen, M. Plate, L. Taylor, D. Schaut, B. Cavanaugh, R. Zipperer, B. Blatz, R. Kohlbeck, B. Herr, J. Hawig, M. Sleik, J. Janowski, R. Voss, M. Bratt

Absent & Excused: K. Behnke, T. Dvorak, D. Fitzgerald, J. Beyer, D. Newberg
Absent: D. Gauger

Pledge of Allegiance

Called to Order Meeting called to order – 7:00pm.

Minutes Minutes were reviewed from the previous meeting. Motion was made by Pollen, seconded by Zipperer, to approve the minutes included. Motion carried unanimously.

Vouchers None.

Public Comment Board Chairperson called for public input three times. No public input given.

Review & Act on Subcommittee Recommendations:

A. Finance Subcommittee

1. ***No Committee Meeting-Committee Update***
No report.

B. Operations Subcommittee

1. ***No Committee Meeting-Committee Update***
No report.

C. Entertainment/Vendors Subcommittee:

1. ***Tuesday-Sunday Grandstand and Special Events Entertainment –Modified Tractor Pull Contract – North Eastern WI (NEW) Motorsports & Pullers Inc.; Demo Derby Ideas; Other Grandstand Event Ideas***

Voss reported on the following:

- Tuesday-Sunday Grandstand Shows:
 - Tuesday – Fireworks Show
 - Wednesday – EWSC Racing
 - Thursday – Modified Truck and Tractor Pull. Recommend for approval Pullers Inc. as the event promoter and approval of the contract at \$6,200 to include the buses.
 - Friday – Tractor Pull
 - Saturday – WI Garden Tractor Pull
 - Sunday – Demo Derby. Recommend for approval Action Auto as the event promoter and approval of the contract with increase in prize money at a cost of \$5,600.

Motion was made by Voss, seconded by Schaut to approve the committee report and recommendations. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Parking/Security Subcommittee:

1. ***No Committee Meeting-Committee Update***
No report.

Review, Discussion and Possible Action on 2016 Fair Matters

A. ***Beer and Soda Vendor Meeting – March 9***

Voss reported that the beer and soda vendor meeting is scheduled for March 9 at 7pm. Vetting reported that the clubs determine the beer vendor during this meeting and Expo-Ice Center board members do not have any involvement with this decision.

B. Fair Update

Krizek reported on the Lifetime Membership ID cards and upcoming scheduled times for taking pictures for the new ID cards.

Vetting reported that the AG Adventureland working group meeting is on March 10 at 6pm and following is the Fairest of the Fair working group meeting at 7pm.

Taylor reported on the face sign project and that one sign has been repainted and ready for breakfast on the farm.

Comptroller's Financial Report – Review

PW Director reported on the Financial Report included in the board packet noting financials are as expected.

Update and Possible Action on Other Fair, Expo Buildings, and Grounds Projects and Issues

A. Rummage-A-Rama – February 13; Volunteer Sign Up; 2016-2017 Rummage-A-Rama Schedule

Volunteer signup sheet distributed. Vetting reported on the 2016-2017 possible schedule noting that there is a group interested in renting the building in February. Discussion on February date and allowing any groups the possibility of renting the building versus hosting the rummage-a-rama event. Motion was made by Janowski, seconded by Zipperer to have the 2016-2017 schedule to include November, December, February and March with the option to reschedule due to potential outside vendors. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Multi-Purpose Building Update

Krizek reported that the West Foundation grant request has been resubmitted. Neuser added that Valley Building Systems is aware of the delay and still interested in the participating in the construction.

C. Expo-Ice Center Month Events; Expo Grounds Update

Krizek reported on the upcoming events including the rummage-a-rama sale and the Northeast WI Dog Show.

Vetting reported that he will be calling the first meeting of the "Chairman's Planning Group" for May to be composed of the board chairperson, board vice-chair, the four (4) subcommittee chairs, and county staff to begin discussions on the orientation of the 2017 and future County Fairs.

Vetting reported that there is an upcoming District 4 meeting on April 14 in Washington County for those board members interested in attending.

Adjournment

Motion was made by Plate, seconded by Bratt to adjourn at 7:28pm. Motion carried unanimously.

Minutes taken by Krizek

Signed by Sleik