

Langlade County Fairgrounds Promotional Committee Minutes

Date of Meeting: March 16, 2016 at 4:45 p.m.

Place: Conference Room, Forestry Office, Fairgrounds

Members Present: Chairman Bob Benishek, Shane Lund,
and Rhonda Klement

Members Absent: Angie Close

Others Present: Robin Stowe, Jack Anderson and Pam Jankowski

Agenda Item #1 Call the Meeting to Order: The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bob Benishek at 4:57 p.m. in the Conference Room, Forestry Office.

Agenda Item #2 Pledge of Allegiance: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Agenda Item #3 Approve the Minutes of the February 17, 2016 meeting: Motion to approve the minutes by Shane Lund, Seconded by Rhonda Klement all ayes, Motion carried.

Agenda Item #4 Recognition of others present and public comments on agenda items or to request an item be added to a future agenda: Jack Anderson was recognized.

Agenda Item #5 Review nominations to refill the vacant seat on this Committee with discussion: Jack Anderson is present to consider filling the vacant seat. He was informed of the duties of the Committee and given background regarding the Fairgrounds.

Agenda Item #6 Policy Revision: Scheduling and fees for using facility as an alternate site in case of inclement weather: Motion to approve policy revision as stated (in the attachment) by Lund, Seconded by Klement, all ayes, Motion Carried.

Agenda Item #7 Request from the Antigo Lions Club to use the stationary sign by the road to advertise their Spaghetti Dinner and Raffle: After discussion the Committee denied the request to use the stationary sign for advertising an event that is not being held at the Fairgrounds. The Digital Marquee may be used with limited information because this is a non-profit community oriented organization.

Agenda Item #8 Establish Camping Policy: Preliminary ideas discussed for establishing a camping policy. This will be ongoing until all the details are established.

- a. **Discuss Summer Camping:** The City would like information to direct overflow camping from the Lake Park Camp sites during baseball tournaments to the

Fairgrounds. This will be on the next agenda to discuss a temporary policy for this Summer to accommodate the overflow camping.

Agenda Item #9 Discuss racetrack future and options: Bob Benishek gave an update regarding the feasibility of keeping the racetrack. Presently, the only time the track is used is for the Sprint Car races during the Fair. It is costly to maintain the track, utilities and detention pond.

Jack Anderson discussed safety issues with the “catch fence” regarding the Sprint Cars. He stated it is not safe and he feels it would not stop a car from flying into the grandstand. Once again the issue of the weeds is a concern. Some opinions are that if the weeds are not sprayed and killed, they will mix with the clay on the track and make it very slippery and dangerous.⁵ This item will be put on the Public Property Committee Agenda to discuss.

Agenda Item #10 New Business:

- a. **April Events: Gun Show – April 8-10, Jose Cole Circus – April 21st.**
Events recognized and discussed.

Agenda Item #11 Old Business:

- a. **Potato Days:** No discussion, this event is still in the preliminary stages of organizing.
- b. **Antique Show:** Bob Benishek has been in contact with Jerry Fults to bring his Antique Show to Langlade County.

Klement nominates Jack Anderson as a member of this Committee. Anderson accepts the nomination. Klement makes a motion to accept Anderson on this Committee, Seconded by Lund, all ayes, Motion Carried.

Agenda Item #12 Marketing Update: None at this time.

Agenda Item #13 Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for April 20, 2016 at 4:45 p.m. at the Forestry Office Conference Room.

Agenda Item #14 Adjournment: Motion by Klement, Seconded by Lund, to adjourn at 6:00 p.m. all ayes, Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela Jankowski
Recording Secretary