

March 11, 2010 **Owen Fair Committee**

Owen Junior Fair Committee
Meeting Minutes
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The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Phil Greschner at 6:02 pm. Members in attendance were Cindy Cardinal, Phil Greschner, Sam Johnson, Theresa Schindler, and Virginia Zaidel. Members absent were Mary Oelke and Bernie Shelton. Also in attendance was Doris Paitel.

The secretary's report was presented. Theresa made a motion, seconded by Phil to accept the secretary's report as written. Motion carried. Sam got us a P.O. Box per the last meeting. The Box number is 192. Cindy reported that the City Council approved our request for a \$3,000 credit line. Phil brought in a written description of what he does for the Fair.

Treasurer Sam Johnson reported that the checkbook balance is \$10,396.21. The savings account balance is \$1,656.72. Theresa made a motion, seconded by Phil to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

2010 Fair Planning:

Doris checked on the roll over simulator. It is not available this year. It was asked if we could get Dream Flight USA back as it was very popular when it was here two years ago. Librarian Shirley Lehr has scheduled a story teller for Friday Family Night as part of the summer reading program. Music is set for this year as follows: Friday night, Wave Jammer at a cost of \$300; Saturday afternoon, Joanne Jacks at a cost of \$275; Saturday night, Ain't Got Jack at a cost of \$700; and Sunday afternoon, Silence Entertainment at a cost of \$300. The total cost for music this year will be \$1575, same as last year.

Rocky Lehr will take care of setting up the Fireman's Challenge. The Old School will hold their Marketplace on Saturday and Sunday. Steve Christophersen will set up the Antique Tractor Pull. We need to do the 50-50 raffle again this year. That was a good money maker last year. We can't sell wine, but Sam will check with Munson Bridge to see if they have a license that would allow them to come to the Fair so that fair attendees could taste their wines.

We need to get a master business list for Owen and Withee for donation letters, etc. We discussed the possibility of charging a fee to the vendors who set up as part of the Fair this year to help with the cost of advertising. Vendors that could be charged a nominal fee are the 4-H, Papa Joe's Breakfast, the Football Team, and House of Friends.

Sam made a motion, seconded by Ginger to hold a Sportsman's Raffle as a fair fundraiser again this year with a budget of \$1000. Motion passed. Tickets will be sold 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10. Prizes will be a pistol, rifle, and a fishing package. We will also see if we can get someone to donate a one night stay at their cabins/resort. We will check with Deer Trail Cabins.

Ginger reported that she has been contacted by Brygit Smith, who is interested in running for Miss Owen. She will put another notice in the school announcements.

Theresa brought in a list of 10 possible themes for this year's parade. They are:

- ◆ Reconnect and Energize (Connect with Owen's history and link to future growth.)
- ◆ Stay on Track (Stay focused on growth and improvement for Owen)
- ◆ A Salute to Those Who Serve and Protect (Honoring our Police and Fire Departments)
- ◆ Celebrating Community Pride
- ◆ The Magic of Green (Environment, Frogs, Emeralds, etc.)
- ◆ Past, Present, Future
- ◆ A Rich History: A Bright Future
- ◆ Stars & Stripes Forever
- ◆ Cooking Up Some Fun
- ◆ Synergize

After much discussion, it was decided to tweak ◆Reconnect and Energize◆ and see if we can make it work. Many committee members also liked ◆The Magic of Green◆. We also thought that ◆A Salute to Those Who Serve and Protect◆ would be a good theme for 2011, with the 10th anniversary of 9-11. Theresa also brought in rules for the Hidden Spike Contest. It was decided that the clues will also be posted on the City website, so the rules to date are as follows:

1. Clues will be given each week in the O-W Enterprise.

2. Clues will also be posted on the door of the O-W Enterprise and on the City's website.
3. The first person to find the Spike and bring it in to Owen City Hall will be declared the winner
4. The Spike will be hidden somewhere in the City of Owen.
5. The Spike will not be hidden on O-W School grounds, on or near the railroad tracks, on the water tower, or on church property.
6. No tools are needed to find the Spike.
7. Do not damage property while searching for the Spike.
8. Anyone is eligible to search for the Spike except members of the Owen Fair Committee, employees of the City of Owen, or employees of the O-W Enterprise.
9. If the Spike is not found by July 10th, a final clue will be posted on the door of the O-W Enterprise and on the City website at 9 am.
10. The winner will be awarded \$50 on Sunday, July 11th after the parade.

We will cover Park Planning at our next meeting. Doris has come up with a sketch for a possible building plan.

Other Business: The Truck Show doesn't need us to serve food/alcohol this year, but Sam will attend one of their meetings to see if they are interested in purchasing any left over beer and soda we have from the Fair.

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm. Next meeting will be held April 8th or 15th, depending on committee member work schedules.