

PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Greetings to all Heritage Hill members! All I can say is WOW!!! It is believed by many that Heritage Hill put on one of its best shows ever! Being that this was my first year as president, I think the event went quite smoothly.....and I hope I did okay, too. No doubt there were maybe some hiccups along the way, but then any such adversities provide learning experiences. The 2021 Heritage Days show was a regrouping of sorts. With the show date change from August to June, and the lack of a 2020 show, there were many uncertainties going into the June 18 and 19, 2021 show. I believe that all members and exhibitors performed to the best of their abilities throughout the weekend. It is truly a pleasure working and becoming acquainted with all the Heritage Hill members; I could not be happier. It is great people like you who volunteer your time and talents, allowing Heritage Hill to put on a tremendous show each year. I cannot wait for 2022. A shout-out is also extended to the Minnesota International Harvester Collectors Club #15 for attending the show and for exhibiting countless IH tractors and equipment.

I cannot give enough praise to the great members of Heritage Hill. Throughout Friday and Saturday of the show, various members received many positive comments from those attending. It makes me proud to say I am part of such a polite, caring group of antique enthusiasts such as yourselves. Between vendors, exhibitors, attendees, and members, there were nonstop commendations on the quality of the showgrounds, the number of displays, the overall attitude of people at the show, and much more. As I was eating a delicious hamburger from the Knutson concessions food truck, I overheard two old fellows chatting over their meal about how they have not been to the Heritage Hill show in years. They continued to say how much the grounds have improved since their last attendance and how the displays were twice as good as the past. This is because you members are helping so much in making the show as awesome as it is, and that is what is needed every year!

There were many new items displayed. Jackie Coon got a rough count of how many pieces of machinery and equipment were displayed. Tractors – 98, gas engines – 65, garden tractors – 16, pickups and cars – 7, model and operational steam engines – 6. This does not include some of the pulling tractors, or tractors and other equipment that were not registered at the Wayne Ost building. As for the garden tractor pull, there were around 50 hooks to the pulling sled; the large tractor pull came in at a whopping 139 hooks! During and after the pull, many compliments were received, regarding the track, and the tractor pull operations, from the participants themselves. Those compliments were awesome and well received, all due to the endless hard work preparing the track and registering pullers, prior to the Saturday evening event. The kids annual Pedal Pull was well attended with 46 pullers and over 150 people in the stands watching. Thank you to all that helped get that ready. Along with the reoccurring displays, there were numerous new exhibits for the spectator's enjoyment. A special thank you is extended to the new Heritage Hill members that brought out their displays and prepared their exhibits, countless weekends in advance, and throughout the Heritage Days weekend. Many good comments were received regarding the show date change to June, which avoided many conflicts, and provided a June weekend venue for old iron collectors. This allowed a lot of new exhibitors to attend, a major factor to the Heritage Days show success.

Thank you all for your hard work and dedication. It was a true educational experience for me. This show would not be what it is without the members working year-round to make sure the show is an annual success. Again, I could not be more pleased to be part of such a great organization.

See you all at the membership meeting, best regards, Grant Schmieg, President

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

Membership Meeting COVID-19 Precautions Recommended **Board Meeting** Heritage Days 2022 **Christmas Party**

Tuesday, July 20, 2021 7:00 pm at Heritage Hill Sunday, August 1, 2021 6:00 pm at Heritage Hill June 17 - 18, 2022 December 4, 2021.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: June 15, 2021 Kevin Norman, Secretary

June 15, 2021, 7:00pm Member Meeting 34 members in attendance No Pledge of Allegiance due to no flag Minutes read by Grant-M/S/P Treasurer report - M/S/P

- Tractor pull Rules have been modified •
- Marshall Lagred procured a truck to use to haul water by Glacial Plains. Glen Coon arranged to use two trailers from • Dawson Co-op for water storage.
- Threshing Queen Isabel Norman; Threshing Princess Braelyn Grube. Sashes are on order and crowns are here .
- Trash at Heritage Hill There has been an issue with people dumping their unwanted items at our site.
- Camping \$20/weekend; \$30/ with electricity. .
- Ron Molde fixed wiring issue at the pulling track.
- Parades June 26th Granite Falls @ 1:00pm; June 27th Dawson @ 10:00 am park South end of main street; July 4th • Maynard @ 11:00am; July 10th Clara City @ 4:00pm North end of town.
- Mick will place stakes for the lineup of tractors for the show.
- Ambulance Staff: There is concern that there may not be enough staff to have an ambulance at our tractor pulls.
- Stephen The toy display is up and going. •
- There is a steam engine coming to run the shingle mill.
- Next board meeting will be June 1st @ 6:00pm. •
- Next member meeting will be July 20th @ 6:00pm. •
- Meeting adjourned @ 7:30pm

DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: June 27, 2021 Kevin Norman, Secretary

President Grant Schmieg called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 6:00 on Sunday June 27, 2021 at Heritage Hill. Board members present were Grant Schmieg, Chip Grube, Kyle Ashling, Dustin Johnson, Kevin Norman, and Scott Thissen Members Present were Liz Ashling and Richard Emch, and Doug Norman

Treasurer's Report – N/A.

The minutes of the June 5th 2021 Board of Directors meeting were read by Schmieg. M/S/P Kyle Ashling & Dustin Johnson.

- 2021 Show Attendance: Gate sales are close to 2019. •
- Swap Vendors: M/S/P Kyle Ashling / Dustin Johnson to send indoor vendors money back due to high cost and low traffic and to charge vendors at the gate verses per space like the outdoor vendors.
- **Bulldozer:** M/S/P Grant Schmieg/ Kyle Ashling that we pay \$200 for the hauling of the TD18 bulldozer that was donated.
- Well: M/S/P Kyle Ashling/ Grant Schmieg to pursue gathering of information from Ellingboe Well Drilling about a new well.
- Swap Meet: Lannie and Brenda Ashling will help with the organization of swap meet next year.
- Show Chairs: A suggestion was brought up about having a white board next year for listing all the jobs and who will be doing them for the show. There will be defined jobs for each area with one person responsible to answer questions about the particular area.
- Show Feedback: Kiddie pull, threshing and tractor pull had excellent attendance. The pullers had very positive comments about how our show went and how well our track was maintained. We need another set of flags next year for





the tractor pull. there will be defined jobs for the tractor pull next year. It was recommended we post rules for the pulling contests and allow contestants fill out forms online.

- Steam Engine Rides: Rides were very popular and future coordination for this event will be moving forward.
- Refuse: Handling of trash and recycling went very well. Thank you to those who aided in trash removal.

• Food & Kitchen organization/Food Trucks: Discussion was held in regards to the kitchen next year. Staffing issues were discussed. If we decide to continue with food trucks, we could have the kitchen open for breakfast. There was also discussion on selling pop and snacks out of the kitchen. This would likely not be a good idea if we have vendors on the grounds.

• **Food Vendors:** A food establishment has expressed interest in setting up at our show with items not offered by Knutson Concessions and to give us 20% of revenue. Discussion was held on charging all food and beverage vendors 20% should the food trucks continue in the future.

• Homemade Ice Cream Vendor: Ice cream making was a huge hit. Darrel Dey will be back next year with his ice cream.

• **Pulling Track Food Vendor:** If the kitchen is open next year, concessions need to be up and running before the kitchen is shut down.

• **Future Improvements:** Discussion was held on setting goals to measure our success by and to continue to improve the show. We need to continue to look for ways to grow our active membership. We need to continue setting a good example, i.e thanking one another for their help and also thanking everyone for their contributions during the show.

• **Camping:** A new member has expressed an interest in taking care of the camping area. Future discussions will be held on expectations and new ideas to utilize this area better.

• **Raffle:** Discussion was held on having raffle items more show related and also to try to expand prizes and encourage businesses to offer items at reduced cost or to donate.

• Facility usage: Dustin Johnson is typing up recommendations – Key lock box was recommended to help prevent unauthorized activity. Doors are being left unlocked on the grounds. We may start keeping a key log so we know who has keys for which building. Going forward the keys should be stamped "Do Not Duplicate" to help prevent people from making multiple keys.

• **Building Maintenance and Repairs:** Repair of some building are becoming essential. Failure to fix them will result in structural damage.

• Picture Frame: President picture frame needs to be picked up. Gerald has said he'd take care of this.

Membership Meetings: There has been low attendance at meetings. Should we move to quarterly meetings? We are looking at the possibility of combining board and membership meetings on Sunday afternoons to accommodate those who have distances to travel. Should we have meetings as a potluck? A proposal will be made at next membership meeting.
Thank You Notes: Need to go out to Culligan, Boraas Crop Insurance, EMT's, and the Scouts.

• Future meetings: Membership meeting July 20th at 7:00pm; next board meeting August 1st at 6:00pm.

Adjournment: M/S/P Chip Grube / Kyle Ashling



TREASURER'S REPORT: June 2021

Financial Statement: June 1, 2021

Internal Accounts		Depository Accounts		
\$26,034.60	General Fund	\$8,969.54	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking	
\$4,558.00	Chapel Fund	\$37,653.83	CAB - Preferred Money Market	
\$13,998.45	Farming Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit	
\$2,032.32	Insurance Fund	\$46,623.37	TOTAL	
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		\$0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank	

Operating Statement

\$46,623.37	Balance: June 1, 2021				
	<u>RECEIPTS</u>		DISBURSEMENTS		
	\$520.00	Camping	(\$888.00)	Advertising	
	\$2,826.88	Corn Sales	(\$1,800.00)	Audio	
	\$10.00	Donation	(\$1,200.00)	Band Fee	
	\$608.00	Food Vendor Commission	(\$246.93)	Electricity	
	\$5,548.00	Gate Admission	(\$333.34)	Farming	
	\$267.00	Hook Fees: Garden Tractors	(\$65.00)	Filing Fees	
	\$1,965.00	Hook Fees: Large Tractors	(\$1,246.99)	Fuel Purchases	
	\$3.37	Interest	(\$321.00)	Liability Insurance	
	\$285.00	Membership - Dues	(\$50.00)	MAAPS Dues	
	\$30.00	Memorials	(\$100.00)	Merchandise	
	\$412.00	Merchandise	(\$306.75)	Office/Postage	
	\$4,515.00	Raffle - Gun	(\$625.00)	Pedal Pull Skids	
	\$329.00	Raffle - Pedal Tractor	(\$1,250.00)	Portable Toilets	
	\$154.00	Shingle Mill	(\$133.66)	Queen Coronation	
	\$1,000.00	Southwest MN Foundation Grant	(\$226.73)	Repairs	
	\$500.00	Sponsorships	(\$2,000.00)	Tractor Pull Skids	
	\$18,973.25	TOTAL	(\$10,793.40)	TOTAL	
\$54,803.22	Balance: June 30, 2021				

Financial Statement: June 30, 2021

Internal Accounts		Depository Accounts		
\$31,680.91	General Fund	\$17,146.02	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking	
\$4,598.00	Chapel Fund	\$37,657.20	CAB - Preferred Money Market	
\$16,491.99	Farming Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit	
\$2,032.32	Insurance Fund	\$54,803.22	TOTAL	
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Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer