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PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Welcome to March! I am always anxious for how the month arrives. In like a lamb, out like a lion or vice versa. Time will tell if this holds true. March has certainly come in like a lamb. As the days get longer and warmer, our thoughts turn to outdoor activities. Heritage Hill will have to move everything up on the schedule this year with the earlier show date. If you know of things that need to completion, please do not hesitate to assemble a work crew and proceed with the project.

As I indicated last month, I have been trying to find a solution for a nonexistent part: A neoprene rear crankshaft seal for my Farmall 400 diesel. Several conversations have been held with longtime Farmall people who affirm that there is not one to be had in the country. I contacted a few companies that custom make seals. What was determined is that those vendors are more than happy to manufacture any part if I order a batch of 1,000 or more! I had contact with a fellow in New York who said he had a couple places who may be able to help me out. I shipped the old seal and seal retainers out to him but unfortunately, he passed away from a malfunctioning furnace at 28 years old no one knew what became of my parts. I then had one made on a 3-D printer. It worked initially but the silicone must have reacted with the engine oil and ended up shrinking causing it to leak bad. Some folks said to install the old fashioned felt which didn't work either. The crankshaft is ground differently on the tractors that used that type of seal. All that was left was to replace the crankshaft and seal retainer with one out of an MD or early 400. In one last effort, I did more research online and found a performance shop that makes a Viton split oil seal for the same size crankshaft as the 400. The older Pontiac 389 engines had a rope seal that tended to leak so this company manufactured this split lip seal. The tractor is split once again and a bushing is being machined to make this new seal fit into the old retainer. I am hoping this works. If you see a shiny red 400 Farmall at the 2021 show, you will know it did.



A few members stepped up to help with different tasks at the last membership meeting. Thank you to those who volunteered. A 2020 nominating committee still needs to be assembled. A nominating committee has been initiated but additional help is needed. A raffle tickets coordinator is still needed. Please consider helping where you are able. Task such as these do not get done by themselves so please think seriously about volunteering. A new door still needs to be installed in the Swenson Building when the weather cooperates. Talk to any of the board if you are willing to help.

Parade season will soon be here as well. Get those tractors tuned and shined up for another season of parades!

I hope to see you at the next membership meeting **March 16, 7pm**, Montevideo Community Center.

Chip Grube, President

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

Membership Meeting

(Servers for Glen/Jackie Coon; Stephen Coon)

Monday, March 16, 7:00 pm @ Montevideo Community Center

Board Meeting

Sunday, April 5, 6:00 pm @ Heritage Hill

Heritage Days 2020

June 19 - 20, 2020

Christmas Party

Saturday, December 12

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: February 17, 2020 – Grant Schmeig, Secretary

President Grube called the meeting to order @ 7:00 PM, Tuesday, February 17, 2020 at the Montevideo Senior Community Center. President Grube led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Quorum: 21 members present. Vice President Schultz led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary Grant Schmeig presented the minutes of the January 20, 2020 Membership Meeting. M/S/P Leslie Bergquist/Kyle Ashling to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Leslie Bergquist presented the December and January 2020 Treasurer's Report. M/S/P Robert Schultz/James Roe to approve the reports.

- **Health Concerns:** Terry Hubel is up and doing well. Glen Coon is going in for shoulder surgery on Thursday. Keep them in your prayers.
- **Raffle Tickets:** Still in need of a Raffle Coordinator.
- **Donations and Sponsorships:** Are still being accepted for the show.
- **Tractor Pulls:** Chantel Hamman will help with paperwork. A few guys from the powerhouse building will help with leveling and packing the track.
- **Jim Rowe's Duties:** Still need someone to relieve Jim of his building duties on the show grounds.
- **Heritage Hill Off Season Events:** Jim Rowe presented a list of events that people have asked to have at Heritage Hill.
- **Nominating Committee:** Bob Schultz has volunteered to help; he is looking for help on this as well. He will not do it alone.
- **Queen Candidates:** April 2020 is the deadline for candidates.
- **Connie Reinert:** Needs names and numbers of members who are bringing tractors and or equipment from the 60's to the show. She is doing well following the schedule of the advertisements for the show that she presented earlier. Ideas and articles for the show guide need to be brought up to a board member or Connie Reinert.
- **Concessions:** The concession area will be set up by the tractor pull track before the start of the show.
- **Flat Belts:** Need to be moved from the brown building and storage shed.
- **Brown Building Door** Needs to be replaced. Need a volunteer for this.
- **2021 Feature Tractor:** 1 tractor is nominated for 2021 Feature. Looking for feature ideas for 2022 show.
- **Jim and John Collins:** They have a case baler that matches one in need of a restoration and these two boys own one. If you know them let us know.
- **Adjournment:** M/S/P Les Bergquist / Kyle Ashling to approve.

DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: March 1, 2020 – Grant Schmeig, Secretary

President Grube called the meeting to order at 6pm, Sunday, March 1, 2020 at the Montevideo Chamber of Commerce office.

Present: Bergquist, Grube, Johnson Schmeig, Shultz. Absent: Ashling, Finn, Kleene, Thissen and Coon

As there was no flag present, the pledge was not recited.

Secretary Schmeig presented the Secretary's report. M/S/P Bergquist/Johnson to accept the minutes as presented.

Treasurer Bergquist presented the February 2020 Treasurer's report. M/S/P Schultz/Johnson to accept the report.

- **Picture boards:** Picture boards are getting made and repaired by The Gallery. M/S/P Johnson/Bergquist to approve the project costing \$172.05.
- **Raffle Coordinator:** A raffle coordinator is still needed.
- **Sponsorships:** Threshing Show sponsorships are still needed. A sponsorship information sheet needs to be completed for business promotional needs as will be announced at the Threshing Show.
- **Show Poster:** The first draft of the show poster was presented, corrections and edits were discussed prior to final printing.
- **40th Annual Threshing Show:** 2020 is the 40th annual threshing show. Possible memento options were discussed, including a pocket knife or small plaque with the Heritage Hill logo.
- **Steam Engines:** Schultz will be in contact soon with Kibble regarding hauling a steam engine from Le Sueur, MN to the show.
- **2022 Feature:** Discussed possible features for the 2022 Threshing Show.
- **Grape Lemonade:** Holly and Jerry Thompson from Dawson indicated interest in selling their grape lemonade at the Threshing Show. **M/S/P** Schultz/Bergquist to authorize Thompson as a 2020 vendor.
- **Nominating Committee:** Johnson said he would assist Schultz with the nominating committee.
- **Adjournment:** M/S/P Bergquist/Schultz to adjourn.



TREASURER'S REPORT: February 2020

Financial Statement: February 1, 2020

Internal Accounts

\$25,580.97	General Fund
\$4,513.00	Chapel Fund
\$21,000.00	Farming Fund
\$10,000.00	Insurance Fund
\$61,093.97	TOTAL

Depository Accounts

\$1,536.72	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$59,557.25	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$61,093.97	TOTAL

\$0.00 Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

Operating Statement

\$61,093.97 Balance: February 1, 2020

RECEIPTS

\$65.00	Dues/Membership
\$13.71	Interest
\$23.00	Meeting Lunch Donations
\$200.00	Raffle Ticket Sales
\$154.95	USDA Payment
\$456.66	TOTAL

DISBURSEMENTS

(\$165.00)	Chamber of Commerce Dues
(\$209.59)	Christmas Party
(\$323.78)	Electricity
(\$44.00)	Office Postage
(\$625.00)	Pedal Pull
(\$1,367.37)	TOTAL

\$60,183.26 Balance: February 29, 2020

Financial Statement: February 29, 2020

Internal Accounts

\$24,670.26	General Fund
\$4,513.00	Chapel Fund
\$21,000.00	Farming Fund
\$10,000.00	Insurance Fund
\$60,183.26	TOTAL

Depository Accounts

\$612.30	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$59,570.96	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$60,183.26	TOTAL

\$0.00 Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer

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2020 MEMBERSHIP DUES

\$15 Individual - \$25 Family

If you have not paid your annual 2020 membership dues, please remit your dues payable to:

Heritage Hill, Box 226, Montevideo, MN 56265

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Your Heritage Hill Membership is valued and greatly appreciated by many.

EXTRA: Garrett Side by Side

Gerald and Karen Kleene continue their annual winter track through the deep southern United States. Kleenes had the opportunity to visit the Paquette's Historical Farmall Museum located in Leesburg, Lake County Florida. The museum opened in 2010. It is a completely-out-of-nowhere private collection of Farmall Tractors and International Harvester machinery, displayed in two custom warehouses in the middle of Florida farm country. This museum includes fully restored models of many Farmall tractors. In addition, three large buildings house International Harvester-built equipment, including refrigerators, combines, tractors, road graders and trucks. Specifically, on display, is this Garrett Side by Side tractor manufactured in 1956 by the Garrett Manufacturing, Enumclaw, Washington. Two identical model 400 IH diesel tractors were combined into one unit. At the time of construction, it was the largest farm tractor equipped with rubber tires. The twin-driven Garrett uses each engine to power its own set of wheels. Belt horsepower of each engine is rated at 50. It was designed to be used in the forestry industry as skidder to pull logs out of the forest. Only one was built. It was sold to a farmer in Washington who used it for 30 years. Garrett Manufacturing repurchased the tractor but later sold in 2002 to Harry Lee, Elnora, Indiana, a well-known antique tractor collector, who displayed it throughout the United States. The Garrett occasionally continues to travel to shows and parades.

