

## PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

#### Greeting Members!

I hope all are tolerating this "January" cold were getting in November. Hopefully it will snap out of it and harvest can come to a happy ending and Thanksgiving will be pleasant for family and friends to come together.

I just want to thank all the members who were pleasant and want the club to grow for a nice year to work with you. I truly hope you have a Blessed Year for 2018. I honestly hope that everyone understands how to work together in the years to come.

I am sorry to say that nobody spoke up when I mentioned Christmas Party and without effort, there is not going to be one in December this year. Just remember it has been mentioned more than once and nobody responded. Perhaps in 2018, a picnic could be done in place of the Christmas Party.

Also-since you probably are catching the drift here, if nobody volunteers, the mentioned item will not happen. With that in mind, these are areas needing attention: a person to register tractors (Thank you Sandy for all the years of work you done): Popcorn Shack (Thank you Carol and Sue for the years of work you done): someone for the Barnal building: (Thank you Richard Emch for the years of work you done), also someone for Raffle Distribution, and if I'm missing anything-I'm sure you have already seen it posted in previous notes, letters, etc.

Now on the brighter side, I want to Thank Terry Hubble for helping to burn the brush at Heritage Hill and also Kelly Aalfs for coming over and helping.

I am looking forward to seeing members at the Membership Meeting on November the 21st-and hopefully with your presence, the club can find a President or some way to continue on to 2018. (Please see Board Meeting notes on subject that will be discussed.)

I hope all are well and will see you on November 21st.

Sincerely, Monica Engen



# Think Warm Thoughts!!!

## **MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS**

Membership Meeting	Tuesday, November 21 <sup>st</sup> @ 7:00 PM at Heritage Hill
Board Meeting	Thursday, December 7 <sup>th</sup> @ 6:00 PM - location to be determined (Director's Christmas Party)
Servers for November 21 <sup>st</sup> Meeting: Thanksgiving Service	Orlynn and Carol Hegna, Robert and Helen Lerohl, Les and Sue Bergquist. Friday, November 24 <sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM at the Heritage Hill Chapel
Heritage Hill 2018 Threshing Show	August 17 <sup>th</sup> – 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2018

### MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: October 17th, 2017 – Bob Schultz, Secretary

President Engen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at the Heritage Hill Thresher's Kitchen. There was a quorum.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Bob Schultz reviewed the minutes of the September 17th, 2017 Membership Meeting. M/S/P Mick Sellman/Jim Roe to approve the minutes.

Gerald Kleene presented the Treasurer's report for Les Bergquist. M/S/P Bob Schultz/Terry Hubble to approve the report.

- Election: Marlys Heath took the floor to chair the election process. After opening up each position for nominations, 38 ballots were distributed and the following officers were elected: President TBD; Vice President Orlynn Hegna; Secretary Bob Schultz; Treasurer Les Bergquist; Directors (2 year term) Kyle Ashling, Chip Grube & Dustin Johnson.
- **MAPS Meeting:** Gerald Kleene attended the MAPS meeting last Saturday. 21 clubs reported their information. Kids activities are being stressed along with tractor/equipment safety. Grove City has printing presses available for clubs to have and display.
- **Kitchen Discussion:** Karen Kleene has stated she would like to retire from the Kitchen Committee. The kitchen requires the largest number of able bodies and volunteers of any venture at our show, to be successful. Dorraine Thompson spoke of some of the ongoing issues the kitchen deals with in meeting Country Side Health directives, and the need for more help in general. Please talk with Dorraine if you can help or have creative ideas to make our kitchen even more successful.
- Positions Needed: We will need volunteers to step up and be the lead in the following areas: 1) 2018 Queen Coronation; 2) Tractor Pull; 3) Popcorn Shack; 4) Tractor Registration; 5) Barnal Building; 6) Trackside Food Stand; 7) Raffle Director. Please step up and be a leader if you are able.
- Feature Tractor: M/S Wes Thompson/Gerald Kleene to nominate Phillip Thissen's 1939 Allis Chalmers as the 2018 feature tractor. It was unanimously approved.
- Survey: 34 people returned the survey on the 2017 show. The results will be discussed at the next meeting.
- Fire Department: Terry Hubble spoke of the Montevideo, Watson and Granite Falls/Clarkfield Fire Departments' interest in putting on a demonstration at next year's show.
- Toy Building: Dorraine Thompson spoke on issues relating to maintenance needs for the Toy Building.
- Jim Roe: Jim addressed the following topics: 1) The Thanksgiving Service on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM (with Communion) at the Heritage Hill Chapel we will need pans of bars for after the service; 2) There are two school clocks where can we use the second; 3) "School Marm" Jen Baldwin's exceptional service during the 2017 show: 4) The need for someone to step up as President.
- **Pop:** Please take home the pop on the table as it will be too old to use for next years show.
- **Steam Engine:** Discussion of the Steam Engine for the 2018 show came up. Member Jeff Lund requested that the club consider sponsoring transportation for his soon to be completed steam engine (a 30 Horsepower Minneapolis) for the 2018 show.
- Next Board Meeting: Thursday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 PM in the Thresher's Kitchen.
- Servers for November: Orlynn and Carol Hegna, Robert and Helen Lerohl, Les and Sue Bergquist.
- Next Membership Meeting: Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> @ 7:00PM in the Thresher's Kitchen. (Please Note that the election of officers occurs at this meeting.)
- Adjournment: M/S/P Glen Coon/Richard Emch to adjourn.

## DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 – Bob Schultz, Secretary

President Monica Engen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at Heritage Hill. Quorum: Present – Engen, Kleene, Johnson, Hegna, Coon, Bergquist and Schultz. Guests were Jim Roe, Karen Kleene, Terry Hubble, Sally Phillips Helling and Kevin Stegeman.

#### The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Secretary Bob Schultz read the minutes of the September 7th, 2017 Board of Directors meeting. M/S/P Orlynn Hegna/Les Bergquist to approve the minutes.

Treasurer Les Bergquist presented the Treasurer's report. M/S/P Bob Schultz/Dustin Johnson to approve the Treasurer's report.

Presidential Issue: As you are probably aware, we did not have a candidate for President at the election. There was lengthy discussion as to what we will need to do. It may even involve a change in the By-Laws in the Articles of

Incorporation of our club. As such, your attendance at our November 21<sup>st</sup> Regular Membership Meeting is of utmost importance! **PLEASE watch for a specific notice on page 4 in this newsletter referencing this!!** 

- **Musical Group for Next Year's Show:** The Board will be seeking membership input for what you would like to do regarding the band/beer garden next year. If we want the Canyon Cowboys group back next year they need notice fairly quickly. It is a fairly expensive proposition, and the possibility of finding a less costly band/bands for next year's show was discussed. Please come prepared to discuss this so we can make a decision at the November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting.
- People Mover: The Ice Castle people would like to again use our people mover for their February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 "Ice Castle Classic" Tournament on Lac qui parle lake. M/S/P Les Bergquist/Gerald Kleene to approve that request. The Board also notes that the people mover used on October 7<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> (by an outside group) is sitting in the weather (outdoors) and needs to be put away.
- **Request for Tractor for Hayride:** A request from Bensen, MN for a tractor and driver for pulling a hayrack for hayrides (for the period of November 26<sup>th</sup> December 4<sup>th</sup>) was received. This request was turned downed due to the logistics and liability issues such an endeavor would create.
- Beer Garden: Daryl Molden has sold Moldy's Bar in Maynard. The new owner has stated that they would be willing and able to provide the same services and license (for both Friday and Saturday nights, if desired) for the 2018 show as they did last year. We will need to decide on this by January of February at the latest to be able to apply for and receive the appropriate permits for our August show.
- Brush Pile: "Thank You" goes out to Terry Hubble and Monica Engen who burnt our brush pile (with an assist from Kelly Aalfs). We will need a new burning permit to further do any more burning at the site.
- **Picking Ear Corn:** Corn picking is tentatively scheduled for Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM (weather permitting). Please show up if you are willing to lend a hand (and possibly a tractor to pull wagons) on that day.
- Cups for 2018: Discussion occurred about the possibility of putting a tribute remembering Phillip Thissen on one side of the commemorative cup for 2018. Phillip's 1939 Allis Chalmers model RC will be the Feature Tractor at the 2018 show.
- **Discussion Request from Jeff Lund:** Discussion occurred about Jeff Lund's request for the club to provide transportation (or money for the transportation) for his 30 horsepower Minneapolis steamer for the 2018 show. A decision was not reached. The topic will be further discussed.
- Benches for our site: The family of Royal Olson would like to donate some commemorative benches to our show site. M/S/P Bob Schultz/Les Bergquist to accept the donation of benches from the Olson family. Doug Norman and Sally Phillips Helling will coordinate this with the family.
- **Next Board Meeting:** the Board of Directors will next meet at 6:00 PM, Thursday, December 7<sup>th</sup> with the location TBD. (This is the annual Board of Director's Christmas party.
- Next General Membership Meeting: The next General Membership meeting will be Tuesday, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 PM @ the Thresher's Kitchen at Heritage Hill.
- Adjournment: M/S/P Orlynn Hegna/Stephen Coon to adjourn.

## TREASURER'S REPORT: OCTOBER 2017

#### Financial Statement: October 1, 2017

Internal Accounts	Depository Accounts		
\$15,364.52	General Fund	\$1,249.45	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$411.90	Building Fund	\$41,008.90	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$4,122.99	Chapel Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$12,350.94	Farming Fund	\$42,258.35	TOTAL
\$10,000.00	Insurance Fund		
\$42,250.35	TOTAL	\$0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

## Operating Statement

\$42,250.35	Balance: Oct			
		<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
	\$7.06	Interest	(\$50.00)	Advertising
	\$47.00	Meeting Lunch Donation	(\$50.00)	Donations: Prairie Five Rides
	\$39.10	Threshing Show: Auction	(\$110.59)	Electricity
_	\$490.00	USDA Payment	(\$965.00)	Hail Insurance Premium
	\$583.16	TOTAL	(\$477.39)	Rodent Control
			(\$250.00)	Steam Engine Fee
\$40,930.53	Balance: Oct	ober 31, 2017	(\$1,902.98)	TOTAL

#### Financial Statement: October 31, 2017

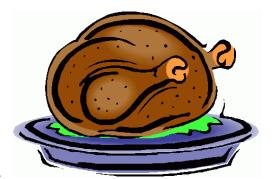
Internal Accounts		<u>Accounts</u>	
\$14,519.70	General Fund	\$2,922.66	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$411.90	Building Fund	\$38,015.87	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$4,122.99	Chapel Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$11,883.94	Farming Fund	\$40,938.53	TOTAL
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Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer

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We seem to have a hard time coming up with volunteers for positions during the show. Please seriously consider stepping up and helping out your club if you are able!!





**Thanksgiving Service:** Please consider attending the **Heritage Hill Thanksgiving Service** on **Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM** at our beautiful chapel on site. There will be Communion with bread made from the wheat grown on site, and wine made from grapes grown in the area. There will also be opportunity for fellowship after the service with bars and coffee. Why not come and celebrate all that we have to be thankful for during this holiday season?

**Official Meeting Notice:** The following serves as "**official notice**" that it is the intention of the Board of Directors to discuss the issue of the 2018 President at the November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018 General Membership meeting.

Discussion will include, (but not be limited to) our current lack of an elected President (for the 2018 year), brainstorming and coming up with a solution (preferably a person willing to step up and take the position), and may include or involve the <u>discussion of modifying the By-Laws of the Articles of</u> <u>Incorporation of the Minnesoata Valley Antique Farm Power and Machinery Association</u>, to facilitate a change in organization of our board.

The November 21<sup>st</sup> meeting is thus very important, and your input is requested. Please make every effort to attend this most important meeting.