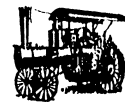


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PRESIDENTIAL STATE OF THE HILL ADDRESS:

Harvest Season, it comes about this time every year, sometimes a few weeks earlier, sometimes a few weeks later. A few of you in our club I'm sure have experiences earlier than I can remember of how harvest has changed. The earliest soybean combining I remember is with a two row IH combine and 36" rows. Look at it today. I don't know how wide the headers are, but they stretch from here to there. The corn picking has also changed. I remember dad showing me his hand corn husker peg and telling me how they picked 80 acres by hand, throwing the ears in a single box pulled by horses. Then came the single row corn picker. The earliest one I can remember us using was a New Idea single row pulled by a WC Allis. Soon after came the two row picker followed by the combine. This also started out with the two row head but soon after this market exploded to where I don't know how big they are today. But that's progress.

And now a change of subject

The board of directors has decided to sell the old crane. It has sat dormant for a few years now with no future use foreseen. The members said they are tired of mowing around it. The membership objected to the sale made by the board and asked that it be put out for bids. The board is asking for bids to be submitted for opening at the next membership meeting. Our treasure Les Bergquist will handle the bidding. After the bids are opened interested parties will be given the opportunities to increase their bids.

Gerald Kleene, President

MEETING NOTICES & COMING EVENTS

- Membership Meeting - ELECTIONS Tuesday, October 16, 7 PM, Heritage Hill
Servers - October Membership Meeting Marlys Heath, Carol and Erwin Winter
Board Meeting Sunday, November 4, 7 PM, Heritage Hill
Heritage Hill 2019 Threshing Show August 16 - 18, 2019

SPECIAL NOTICES

CRANE FOR SALE: The MVAFPMA has offered up for sale the crane belonging to the club. Bids must be submitted by the October 16 membership meeting. Bids will be opened at the meeting where the membership will vote to approve the sale. Bidders should attend the meeting.

ELECTIONS: The annual election of officers and directors will take place at the October 16th membership meeting. Please plan to attend and cast your vote, as this is an opportunity for all members to participate in the direction of their club.

NOTICE ON NEW POLICY FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS: In order to conduct business efficiently, the board asks members who have board-related business to send it to the president or acting chair to be put on the agenda instead of presenting it personally at the board meeting. This allows the board to plan for business and be able to act on it. If members would like to speak during board meetings, they need to contact the president or acting chair ahead of time to be reserve a place on the agenda. Their time allotment may be limited in the interest of conducting orderly meetings. Members are reminded that membership meetings are open for members to bring up pertinent business, while board meetings should be reserved for the board of directors to coordinate the operations of Heritage Hill.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES: September 18, 2018 - Dustin Johnson, Acting Secretary

Vice President Orlynn Hegna called the meeting to order at 7PM at the Heritage Hill Threshers' Kitchen.
Quorum: 34 members present.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
Dustin Johnson read the August 14th, 2018 Membership Meeting minutes. M/S/P Doug Norman/Jim Roe to approve the minutes.
Les Bergquist presented the August 2018 treasurer's report. M/S/P Kyle Ashling/Chip Grube to approve the minutes.
• Thank You: A thank you was received from the Chippewa County Food Shelf for the leftover food supplies that were donated after the Threshing Show. Vice President Hegna thanked all members for their work during the Threshing Show and Wes Thompson serving as the Show Coordinator.
• Ford Feature Tractor: M/S/P Doug Norman/Richard Emch to select Vice President Orlynn Hegna's Ford tractor as the feature for 2019.
• Nominating Committee Report: Election of officers and directors will be at the October membership meeting. Wes Thompson reported on the current election ballot. There are four names for two available director positions - Scott

Thissen, Stephen Coon, Mick Sellman, and Beth Finn; one candidate for President – Gerald Kleene, one candidate for Vice President – Orlynn Hegna, one candidate for Treasurer – Les Bergquist, and no candidates for Secretary at this time.

- **Sawmill:** Patty Kurtsbien reported on the sawmill operation during the Threshing Show. There were a number of circumstances that caused down-time for the sawmill, but it was kept up and running as much as possible. The metal detector was reported to be a good investment to find metal in the logs prior to sawing. A different size pulley will be needed to run the sawmill next year with the steam engine; it needs to run 500-550 rpm. A spare endless drive belt, 8" wide, is needed.
- **Christmas Party:** Should we have a Christmas Party this year? There was not one last year. There was some discussion that the Christmas Party is enjoyed as a way to socialize with other members. Possible entertainment could be a presentation by Doug Ohman on cemeteries. A coordinator would be needed to line up the facility, caterer, and entertainment. A motion was made and seconded by Marlys Heath/Grace Zeller to hold a Christmas party. The motion was tabled until the next membership meeting to make sure a coordinator is identified before proceeding. Dorraine Thompson will check if the Montevideo Community Center is available on Sat. Dec. 8th or Sat. Dec. 1st. Dorraine will also check if a caterer is available either of those dates.
- **2-day or 3-day Threshing Show:** There was discussion on whether or not future Threshing Shows at Heritage Hill should be held on only Friday and Saturday instead of Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Many members spoke and a number of points were made for and against a 2-day show. No action was taken.
- **Thanksgiving Service:** Jim Roe would be willing to coordinate a Thanksgiving Service at the Heritage Hill chapel. There was no motion to move forward with planning, so no Thanksgiving Service will be held this year.
- **Sally Phillips-Helling reported on a number of topics:**
 - Sally attended the Albany show last weekend – they draw lots of people; a local craft brewery has a demonstration there.
 - Thanks to those who came to Heritage Hill in July for the Land Magazine article. Paper copies are available, and a copy was made for the Heritage Hill archives.
 - 36 kids participated in the scavenger hunt during the Threshing Show.
 - Many pop tabs were collected during the Threshing Show and donated to the Ronald McDonald House. The collection grows every year.
 - The idea group continues to meet and discuss; they will try to grow the "first tractor drive" which was tried this year. Other new events during the show could be book signings and a bean bag tournament.
 - Compliments to Beth Finn for the work she put in during the Threshing Show to serve food at the tractor pull track and the Saturday night entertainment.
 - Other Events: Contact has been made with the Montevideo Chamber of Commerce about the possibility of scheduling events at Heritage Hill during Fiesta Days. It was asked if anyone has connections to the Maynard Rodeo to check how the Heritage Hill grounds could be utilized during their event.
- **Sale of Crane:** Mick Sellman spoke in protest of the Board of Director's decision (Aug. 29, 2018) to sell the crane without bringing the subject before the membership. He stated that \$1,700 had been spent by the club on engine repairs and did not think the crane should be sold for \$250. The Board of Directors would need to act at their next meeting to overturn the previous decision. M/S/P Marlys Heath/Glenn Coon to put the crane up for bid to the public and require sealed bids that will be opened at the next membership meeting where the membership can approve or deny the sale. To take effect, this motion requires action by the Board of Directors to overturn their previous act to sell the crane.
- **Next Director's Meeting:** Sunday October 7th, 7:00 PM @ the Heritage Hill Thresher's Kitchen.
- **Motion to Adjourn:** M/S/P Glenn Coon/Richard Emch to adjourn.
- **Point of Note:** After adjournment it was brought up that the Holt caterpillar is still up for sale, and Kyle Ashling has been contacted by potentially interested parties. The question was raised of what value should be asked for the Holt. No action was taken since the meeting had already been adjourned. (*Secretary's note: At the meeting on May 4, 2017, the Board of Directors made an official decision to sell the Holt caterpillar; Kyle Ashling was authorized to sell it for what could be gotten, minimum of \$2,000.*)

DIRECTOR MEETING MINUTES: October 7, 2018 - Dustin Johnson, Acting Secretary

The Board of Directors met Sunday October 7th, 2018 at 7:00 PM at The Heritage Hill Thresher's Kitchen.

Present were Gerald Kleene, Chip Grube, Dustin Johnson, Scott Thissen, and Les Bergquist.

Three guests were present.

President Gerald Kleene called the meeting to order and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the August 29th Board of Directors meeting had been sent ahead of time to all officers and directors. M/S/P Les Bergquist/Scott Thissen to approve the minutes.

The September Treasurer's Report was presented by Les Bergquist. M/S/P Chip Grube/Dustin Johnson to approve the report.

- **Christmas Party:** The Montevideo Community Center has been reserved for 1:00-9:00 p.m. on Saturday Dec. 8. A final decision whether to hold a Christmas Party will be made at the October membership meeting and a coordinator would be needed to line up catering and entertainment.
- **Nominating Committee:** Wes Thompson presented the election slate to be voted on at the October membership meeting. The candidates are: President – Gerald Kleene; Vice President – Orlynn Hegna; Treasurer – Les Bergquist; Secretary – Galen Rud; directors (two open positions) – Scott Thissen, Steve Coon, Mick Sellman, Beth Finn.
- **Newsletter:** Gerald Kleene and Orlynn Hegna will work together to assemble the monthly newsletter in 2019.
- **Crane:** The board's decision to sell the crane made at last month's meeting was rescinded M/S/P Les Bergquist/Chip Grube. Gerald Kleene withdrew his corresponding offer to purchase the crane. The action of the membership made at the Sept. 18 meeting to sell the crane on bids takes effect.
- **Soybeans:** The farming committee will store the soybeans, once harvested, in wagons in a shed.
- **IH Chapter 15:** David Kanten of the IH Chapter has invited Gerald Kleene to attend the chapter annual meeting in December to submit a bid for Heritage Hill to host the IH Chapter 15 show in 2022.

- **Feature Tractor:** Orlynn Hegna would like to withdraw his feature tractor selected at the September membership meeting. The feature tractor selection will be re-opened at the October membership meeting.
- **Looking to next year's show:** There was discussion about advertising for the show – use large text and minimal information on the poster; newspaper ads are valuable for detailed information; social media is one of the most important ways to advertise.
- **Evening entertainment:** There was discussion on the evening music at the Show; hiring a band is probably not worth the cost as it has not drawn a crowd either of the last two years; a DJ might be a lower cost or free alternative. The tractor pull schedule is not set; it is preferred to hold both the lawn mower pull and full-size tractor pull on Saturday. The company doing the full size pull has us booked for Friday, but may be able to switch things around to have our pull on Saturday.
- **Member Reports**
 - **Mick Sellman** asked whether the crane should be fixed up or sold as-is. He stated it needs some work done in order to get more than scrap value. Sellman stated that the outside light had broken off the Powerhouse building. The board directed him to get it fixed by Ron Molde. Sellman stated that some shingles were missing from the Barnaal building; he had checked the school and church and reported no shingles out of place. He said Lannie Ashling had done a good job fixing shingles on some buildings before. There was some discussion that the leaking skylights on the Barnaal building should be repaired at the same time as doing the shingles, and maybe it would be best to fill in the skylights and possibly put tin on the entire roof. The board directed Sellman to check with a contractor to get a suggestion and price estimate for the work.
- **Holt Caterpillar:** It was stated that the board had authorized Kyle Ashing to sell the Holt for a minimum of \$2,000 (May 4, 2017). There may be interested buyers, so the topic will be brought up to the membership at the October meeting.
- **Boy Scouts:** Scott Thissen reported that the Boy Scouts want to say thanks for the donation made to them for helping with the gate during the Show. They used the money to buy a griddle for their camp trailer. Scott added that the Boy Scouts enjoy helping and do a good job interacting with the people coming into the Threshing Show.
- **Kitchen:** There was some discussion about how to handle food service at future Threshing Shows. It is hard to find workers for the Threshers Kitchen, however it always seems there is enough help. 4-H groups helped in the kitchen this year, which worked well. Vendors could be brought in to sell food, but it may be difficult to find and secure good vendors. Food vendors tend to go to events with large attendance.
- **Adjournment:** M/S/P Les Bergquist/Chip Grube to adjourn.

TREASURER'S REPORT: September 2018

Financial Statement: September 1, 2018

<u>Internal Accounts</u>		<u>Depository Accounts</u>	
\$18,756.03	General Fund	\$6,423.21	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$411.90	Building Fund	\$44,099.05	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$4,043.00	Chapel Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$17,311.33	Farming Fund	\$50,522.26	TOTAL
\$10,000.00	Insurance Fund		
\$50,522.26	TOTAL	\$0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

Operating Statement

\$50,522.26	Balance: September 1, 2018		
	<u>RECEIPTS</u>		<u>DISBURSEMENTS</u>
	\$14.19 Interest	(\$1,210.91)	Advertising
	\$37.00 Meeting Lunch Donation	(\$307.44)	Electricity
	\$51.19 TOTAL	(\$950.49)	Farming Expense
		(\$27.98)	Food Expense
		(\$1,625.82)	Refuse Removal
		(\$292.10)	Repairs
\$46,158.71	Balance: September 30, 2018	(\$4,414.74)	TOTAL

Financial Statement: September 30, 2018

<u>Internal Accounts</u>		<u>Depository Accounts</u>	
\$15,342.97	General Fund	\$2,046.37	Citizens Alliance Bank - Checking
\$411.90	Building Fund	\$44,112.34	CAB - Preferred Money Market
\$4,043.00	Chapel Fund	\$0.00	CAB - Certificate of Deposit
\$16,360.84	Farming Fund	\$46,158.71	TOTAL
\$10,000.00	Insurance Fund		
\$46,158.71	TOTAL	\$0.00	Loan Balance - Citizens Alliance Bank

Leslie K. Bergquist, Treasurer