

Middlecreek Valley Antique Association Inc.

Membership Meeting

Date held: February 11, 2014

Began: 7:32 PM

Mike Lessman Presiding

There were 11 members in attendance.

Secretary's report accepted as read, motion by: Kenny Frymoyer, 2nd by: Ira Lessman, Motion carried.

Amount in the bank: \$13,742.10

CD: \$6,991.28

Reported profit from the December scrapple sale: \$765.84

Treasurer's report accepted as read, motion by: Ira Lessman, 2nd by: Ronnie Hauck, Motion carried.

Old Business: Discussed the tractor run that will be held this year. We have the OK from Penn Township and Middlecreek Township to do the tractor run, we still need to check with the State yet. The run will be around 14 miles. It was mentioned that we should have a chaser vehicle to follow the tractors and will have gas, chains or tow ropes just in case someone breaks down along the run.

When we return to the grounds, we will have chicken corn soup, hot dogs and drinks available. We then discussed the t-shirts that we would like to have made up for the tractor run. A proof of the design of the t-shirts was passed around. It was mentioned that we will need to pre-register for the shirts and the t-shirt sales will help pay for the food. It was suggested having a donation box out too which would also help pay for the food.

It was also suggested having homemade ice cream for dessert.

It was mentioned that we will be starting the run around 1:00 PM.

Mike Lessman mentioned that we will be needing a "Special Event Permit" to do the run which he is currently working on.

We then discussed the tractors and how fast we will be going. It was suggested maybe putting the slower tractors in the front that way they will set the pace and help keep everyone together.

It was also suggested having someone help out at some of the intersections.

The website has been updated.

Ronnie Hauck mentioned that they are working on a safety day for Saturday. They are still working on the details.

He also mentioned that the farm machinery dealers do not sound too interested in displaying equipment at our shows. He is still working on that as well.

Discussed the trailer frames for the new stage and sawmill projects. We are still looking for some. We would like 2 for the stage and 1 for the sawmill floor.

Discussed the club shirts. We are having a hard time finding someone to design and make the shirts for us.

Discussed the brochures and the changes that need to be made to them.

Discussed closing the food building at 9:00 PM. We need to pull the doors shut at 9:00 PM and when the line is empty, then take the money boxes back to the office. Everyone else can go up to the Trackside Food Stand for food.

February 21st and 22nd we will be making scrapple and sausage.

New Business: Ira Lessman mentioned that it will be Armed Forces Day on the Saturday of our Spring Show. It was suggested that we should see if anyone would like to set up a display or have a ceremony during the day. It was also mentioned that we could contact the American Legion to see if they would be interested.

Discussed our bank CD. It was suggested taking it to \$10,000.00 but we have a lot of work to do yet. After discussion, Kenny Frymoyer made a motion to let the CD alone until after the Spring Show, 2nd by: Ronnie Hauck, Motion carried.

Discussed sending a donation to Perry Aitkin's church. It was asked if we should set up some guide lines on who we are sending donations to when they pass away or are we sending to every member. We usually send a donation or flowers to those that we know passed away. With over 600 members in the club, it's hard to know when someone does pass away.

We then discussed the election process and the bi-laws were read. We will need to get and elect a new Vice President due to the passing of Perry Aitkin.

We would like to see some younger members involved. Mike Lessman mentioned that he knows of some that have ideas for the club and the shows, we just need to get them to the meetings and more involved in the Organization.

Ronnie Hauck gave us the dates for the Mid Penn Garden Tractor Pulls which are: May 25th, June 28th, July 5th, July 26th and August 31st.

Discussed frying oil prices. Last year it was \$25.50 per jug, right now it is around \$19.97 per jug. We then discussed getting a skid of oil since the price is down. After discussion, Kenny Frymoyer made a motion to get a skid of oil, 2nd by: Ira Lessman, Motion carried.

Mike Lessman also mentioned that the Snyder County Tractor Pullers Association would like to put a fence around the upper parking lot to help control traffic during their pulls. It was mentioned that if a fence was installed, they would have to maintain it and mow around it. We will have to get permission from the Soil Conservation before a fence can be put up.

It was mentioned that one of our members asked if we could do a couple of classes of tractor pulls during our shows as a money pull. It was suggested that the puller would pay \$10.00 per hook and \$5.00 would go to the club and the other \$5.00 would go towards the top 3 pulls in that class.

We would have to look at the biggest or most popular classes to do this and these money pulls would then be added to the rest of the antique pulls that we already do. It was suggested that if a person pulls in the money pull for a certain class, then they would not be allowed to pull in the ribbon pull for that same class.

This will need to be discussed further.

Kenny Frymoyer mentioned that we will need to spend some money on the Case tractor this spring. The tires need to be fixed. The one back tire leaks and the one front tire has a cut in the sidewall. It was mentioned that we might be able to get them patched. We will have to look into them.

At 9:15 PM, Ronnie Hauck made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by: Kenny Frymoyer, Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Michael Clark, Secretary