

Middlecreek Valley Antique Association Inc.

Membership Meeting

Date held: April 8, 2014

Began: 7:32 PM

Mike Lessman Presiding

There were 18 members in attendance.

Secretary's report was read and 1 correction was made: SCTPA pull date is June 21st, not the 22nd.

Secretary's report accepted as read and corrected, motion by: Robert Klingler, 2nd by: Jeff Radel, Motion carried.

Amount in the bank: \$10,230.76

CD: \$6,999.21

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

Old Business: The alternator on the dozer is now fixed.

Discussed the tractor pulls. Dale Buckley discussed the rules that they use at Buffalo Valley and the changes they made. There will no longer be a maximum RPM rule. The tires sizes allowed are in the rules. We then discussed the speeds for the pulls. Our antique pulls are 3.5 MPH and the money pulls will be 4 MPH. It was mentioned that we will need to see if we can get a horn hooked up to the sled as a warning if the pullers go over that speed. Jeff Radel suggested getting it hooked up so they could try it out at their test and tune day to see if it works.

It was suggested that we should just follow the rules used by Buffalo Valley for our pulls.

It was mentioned that the tractors that are using 16.9/34 tires can run in the 6 MPH class or the classic class.

We will need to get the rules set up for the 3.5 MPH class, 4 MPH class, 6 MPH class and the classic class.

It was asked, how many times can the horn blow before the puller is disqualified and it was mentioned that it can blow three times. The sled operator and the flagman will need to know this.

It was decided that Josh Martin and Dale Buckley will work on the pulling rules this week.

Discussed the breakfasts. Irene Harris mentioned that she will be needing help for the breakfasts. Also discussed the new breakfast specials. The prices have stayed the same.

We will now have a “Farmers Breakfast Special”, a “Rise and Shine Breakfast Special”, breakfast sandwiches and the individual items. It was decided to go ahead with the specials as presented.

Ira Lessman mentioned that we still need a new tarp for the small canopy that was ripped last year. We will need to get the measurements and get it replaced.

Discussed the frames for the stage. Josh Martin found one for \$200.00 that would work. It is 40’ long and 12’ wide with extensions on the frame rails and it has 2 axels. He also mentioned that Ken Smith has one but it is not as wide, but it has 4 axels. He would like us to make an offer on it. After discussion, Donald Athey made a motion to offer \$200.00 for each of the frames, 2nd by: Brad Bingaman, Motion carried.

It was mentioned that we will need to get the rest of the logs out of the woods at Mike Lessman’s house. We will have to get the skid loader for that. It was also mentioned that while we have the skid loader at the grounds, we will need to get the kettle stove out of the food building so the food building can get cleaned up.

It was mentioned that we have a sawmill blade that needs to be rolled.

Discussed the tractor run. We are waiting to see if we can get one shirt made for a sample. The question was asked, what food will we be having after the run. We will be having chicken corn soup, hot dogs and maybe ice cream.

It was mentioned that we are now looking at mailing out some registration forms for the tractor run. A flyer will need to be made.

The fencing along the driveway has been installed. It still needs flags or markers on the wire so it can be seen.

Our garden tractor has been sent out and fixed. The electric clutch issue was a wiring problem which has been corrected. It has also been serviced. There are a few other issues with it but are being worked on.

New Business: We will need to fix some of the shingles on the roof of the Trackside Food Stand. Some of them blew off during this past winter.

Discussed our shingle mill. Mike Lessman mentioned that on April 23rd, the boiler inspector will be coming out to go over the mill. This inspector will be retiring in June so we will need to get the other steam engines inspected before he leaves.

It was mentioned that the soft plug is out of the boiler now. It will need to be run and flushed out. It was also mentioned that we should get some guards made and there is some other work that needs to be done to the mill as well.

Mark Cromley asked if we will ever do anything with the cider press. As of now, you can't get to it and it would take a lot of work to get it going again.

At 8:57 PM, Donald Athey made a motion to adjourn, 2nd by: Ira Lessman, Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Michael Clark, Secretary