

## Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 2/26/2024

Attendance: See attached list (21), a quorum was present.

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### Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the President, Jeff Brazo. A quorum (min 13/25) was present.

**Guests Requests:** None

### **Officer & Director Reports:**

#### Recording Secretary:

Minutes of Last BOD Meeting were read. Benson Baumeister moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Kathy Book. Motion carried.

Executive Secretary: There was 1 new member applicant presented for membership. Kathy Crandall moved to accept the new member, seconded by Benson Baumeister. Motion carried. The household membership count for the Club year ending 2023-24 was **945 member households** with dues income of \$78,862.25. For the Club year 2024-25, we currently have 617 member households with dues taken in so far of \$ 54,952.25. Allen Kasdorf moved to accept the report, seconded by Nancy Lawrence. Carried.

Treasurer: Tom McLaughlin reported the balances for the month were: Checking account **\$20,360.49**. The CDs were: ER CD \$60,270.71, Pre-paid Dues CD \$5,321.33, the Credit Card/Transfer acct \$11,687.80, and the new CD from the recouped funds from the tree/forestry storm damage FSA grant project was \$ 125,000.00. Some expenses that were not approved by the government included disallowed items such as "excessive machine rates" (in their opinion). Jim Perlberg moved to accept the report, seconded by Kathy Crandall. Motion carried. A discussion was held on the 2024-25 Club Annual Budget. Benson Baumeister moved to accept the proposed budget (Revision 2.20.2024, Version 3, as revised to Version 4.0) seconded by Kathy Book. Motion carried.

### **Activities and Committee Requests & Reports:**

The following were discussed:

- Hunter Ed: Mark Quirin moved to hold HE Field Days at our Club on April 20, Aug 17, and Oct 19, seconded by Kathy Crandall. Motion carried.
- Hunter Ed Instructor Meeting: Leslie York moved to hold a meeting on March 7<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, per Charlie Reynolds request, seconded by Benson Baumeister. Motion carried.
- MUCC: Allen Kasdorf noted for the record that the Cass County Club representative will be our proxy at the MUCC convention this year. Allen canvassed the BOD on several MUCC resolutions.

### **Capital Item Requests and Actions:** None

### **Old Business:**

- Forestry Grant: Tom McLaughlin discussed moving the recouped Forestry Storm damage grant money to a CD at the Sturgis Bank.
- Long Range Planning Committee: Leslie York requested a Special Board Meeting on April 14 at 1:30pm for the sole purpose of reviewing the Long Range Financial Planning report prior to the regular scheduled board meeting, as it is lengthy in scope and details and needs more discussion for understanding than what a board meeting will provide. This was approved by the President Jeff Brazo. These minutes authorize this meeting in writing.
- Mower Attachment Sale: The old finish mower was discussed as to whether we should sell it or keep it, and if we sell it, how much are we want for it.
  - Allen Kasdorf moved that the club sell it, seconded by Larry Murry. Discussion occurred. Hand vote was To Sell: Yes 12, No 4, 1 abstention (Andy Rockwell).
  - Allen Kasdorf moved to sell it for \$800 (the trade in value), seconded by Benson Baumeister. Larry Murray moved to strike \$800 and replace it with \$950 and advertise in newsletter for 1 month, seconded by Larry Murray. Amendment carried. Motion as amended Yes 12, No 4, 1 abstention. Motion to sell mower attachment for \$950 Carried. *Pending newsletter publishing*

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### **New Business:**

- Jeff Brazo discussed the value and benefit of our having a booth at the Fair or lack there-of. The consensus at this time was to have a booth at the fair as the memberships we receive has offset the cost of the fair booth rental and it is good advertisement.
- Road Clean Up: It was established to have a Road Clean Up day on April 13 at 10am.

Jim Perlberg moved to adjourn, seconded by Larry Murray. Motion carried. Next BOD is set for March 25. Meeting adjourned 8:35pm. ***Recorded by L. York Recording Secretary***