



Shannonville Agricultural Society
MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES

Date: Nov. 13, 2024

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Location: Rec. Hall - Meeting Room



1. Call to Order at: 7:00 pm
2. Peeps in the Room: Carla, Bruce, George, Carol, Peter, Mac, David, Pat

Shannonville Agricultural Society (SAS) – Land Acknowledgement was read.

We are meeting today on the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee peoples. SAS acknowledges our shared obligation to respect, honour and sustain these lands and the natural resources contained within. We honour their cultures and celebrate their commitment to this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Mohawk nation, whose traditional and unceded territory, we are gathered upon today. SAS events are held on treaty land that is steeped in rich Indigenous history and home to the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte.

3. Adoption of Agenda: M/S David / Carla - carried
4. Minutes of Last Meeting: M/S David / Carol - carried
5. Correspondence:
 - As circulated to the Board
 - Thank you card from Jen Phillips re Trunk Treat assistance
 - OAAS Judging School request (George will book Lonsdale Hall on their behalf)
6. Treasurer's Report: Carla
 - Carla noted bank account balance and investment amount.
 - George advised that we have moved our CIBC accounts to the Bell Blvd branch
7. Old Items and Business carried forward
 - 7.1: **Pancake Breakfast Nov. 17:** Carol provided update
 - Carol and Peter have secured our free food supplies for this and future breakfasts.
 - Finley Food is now our major sponsor and we need their logo to promote them.
 - Carol noted volunteers available for this breakfast.
 - We need to promote heavily on Facebook, etc.
 - We thought the revised & proposed skill game was suitable for the 50/50.
 - Sat. the 16th at 4:00 pm, we gather for a pre-cook and setup.
 - 7.2: **2025 Fair Committee Update:** Sandra / Bruce
 - Bruce distributed a very detailed and organized report on the work-in-progress for the fair.
 - Some costly items have been dropped and some new exciting items have been added
 - Significant change was to hold a 2 day (Friday / Saturday) fair and use Sunday as a cleanup day, and this approach was well received.
 - 7.3: **ATV Santa Claus Parade Plans:** George
 - George to fine-tune arrangements with Josh, the new Parks & Rec Manager
 - Date is Friday Dec. 6 with parade starting at 6:30 pm
 - SAS members to gather at 4:00 pm to set up barn, tables, bbq, and food / drink provided by Twp.
 - Tues. Dec 3rd selected as day to decorate the Fair Train
 - 7.4: **Grant Writing Course:** Bruce
 - Bruce reported on his attendance at this all day course
 - He will be sharing his findings and promoting some of the information packages that should help with our sponsorship drives.

7.5: **Membership List Review** (to confirm invitees to Annual Meeting): Frances, Carol & David

- Carol reviewed and updated the paid up membership list
- David took this list home and will scan document and email to Carol, Frances & Carla
- David requested he be notified of any additional renewals and new members by Dec. 4, 2024

8. New Business

8.1: **Annual Meeting Jan 8, 2025: Update from the Board**

- Just a confirmation that the Annual Meeting and election of new Board of Directors will be held in the Rec. Hall on Wed. Jan 8, 2025
- George will secure a qualified candidate to conduct our election.

8.2: **Thoughts on Needs for 2025:**

- **Facilities:** bounced around
 - Pop-Up tents, Barn Floor repair, Train repairs, Cover-All upgrades, Elsie's new axle, Elsie's expanded uses, Derby Pit area, Christmas Basket giveaways, etc.
- **Fund Raising opportunities:**
 - Additional Barrel racing events, Rain Barrel Sales, etc.
 - George reported that we would need a sponsor to host a pre-fair barrel racing event which could be held any weekend except a long one.

8.3: **2025 Rain Barrel Sales**

- Moved David, seconded Bruce that SAS conduct a Rain Barrel Truck Load sale this year in partnership with rainbarrel.ca – carried
- The plan of action was circulated with a budget projecting a profit of \$1750. and a sale date May 17, 2025.

9 Next Meeting will be the Annual Meeting on Jan. 8, 2025 at 7:00 pm in the Rec. Hall

10. Adjourned at 9:15 pm