



Minutes of March 8, 2018 General Membership meeting

- **Call to Order** -Brad Eike
President Alan Heatherwick was unable to attend, so Vice President Brad Eike called the meeting to order at 7:05PM, and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **Roll Call** -Brad Eike
Brad called the roll, with 9 directors, and 12 members and guests present.
- **Secretary's Report** -Charlie Kestel
Charlie made copies of the February 8th. meeting minutes available to anyone who wanted one.
Brad then asked if there were any additions or corrections, and there were none.
Ron made a motion to accept the minutes as published, seconded by Lane Heatherwick. It was passed by all present
- **Treasure's Report** -Fred Lestina
Fred reported income of \$200 from Flea Market, \$100 donation from Serena FFA for use of our pedal tractor sled. He paid Secretary of State \$10, Cal's Printing \$301 for 2000 fliers, Daily Journal \$90 for a show ad, Plainfield Signs \$235 for 2000 cards, 12 magnets, and 1 banner. He also paid our Master Card bill of \$192.69, cell phone bill of \$111, and \$81.69 to Connie for our winter party, leaving us a balance of \$4476.18
Russ Hossbach made a motion to accept the report as presented, seconded by Pat Noonan.. It was passed by all present.
- **Old Business** -Alan Heatherwick
Charlie reported that the Irish Parade was well attended, with good weather and lots of help. We had Madi and Paige Kestel handing out candy, Ron, Russ Jacobs, Lane, and Charlie handing out our show cards, Allison and Emily Jacobs, Russ's granddaughters, as our leprechauns, and Terry Donovan and his son following on their antique tractors.

Brad reported that they had a prime spot at the Serena Toy Show. They estimated that 650 attended. Fred, Ron H. and Brad sold 186 red, and 96 green tickets.

Butch volunteered to sell raffle tickets at the Will County Consignment sale, along with Carol and Wayne Hossbach. Russ Jacobs volunteered to pick up the pedal tractors and get them to the Seneca Show, for Brad.

- **New Business**

Larry Marek remarked that "Classic Tractor" offered us a free 30 second commercial, with their help to put it together, with the hope that we would buy more ads. This will be discussed further at next meeting.

Charlie explained that we accepted the updated tractor pull rules with a few exceptions. There will be copies for everyone in a future newsletter.

2019 show site still needed- spread the word.

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2018 Show

We needed to select a tractor to put on the show button. It was suggested that we ask Larry Eipers if he would be agreeable to use his #806, since we are featuring IHC this year. Ron and Carol made a motion to keep the plaque design the same, with a red background.

Carol reported that 2 contracts were returned already and we are waiting for two more. So far we are having Pizza 4 U, and Hotdog wagon coming.

We still have to plan how we will house bundle wagons.

Brad's Remarks

We have 321 red, and 188 green raffle tickets sold so far. Brad also talked to John Cronin, who is home now, and he thanks everyone for the thoughts and prayers.

- **Open Forum**

- **Adjourn**

Larry Marek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48PM. It was seconded by Pat Noonan, and passed by all present.

Upcoming activities:

Slo-boys Tractor ride

April 7, 2018

Ride the River

August 25, 2018

Membership meetings:

April 12, 2018

May 10, 2018

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