

West Michigan Livestock Council

The February 5, 2020 West Michigan Livestock Council regular session meeting was called to order by President, Samantha Wilkosz at 7:05 PM.

Officers and Advisers Present: Samantha Wilkosz-President, Michael Lammi-Vice-President, Spencer Bowman-Corresponding Secretary and Jolene Babbin-Treasurer.

Advisors: Karen Lammi-President, Beth Saxton-Vice-President and Sally Wittlieff-Corresponding Secretary.

The American Pledge was led by Samantha Wilkosz.

New members present were Jayden Jensen, Carter and Owen Teague all selling pigs.

Secretary's report: The January minutes were read by Spencer Bowman. Anna Tyndall made a motion to accept the minutes as written, supported by Alex Tyndall. Motion carried.

Treasurer's report: The treasurer's report was read by Michael Lammi. Henry Hilton made a motion to accept the report, supported by Alex Tyndall. Motion carried. See Attachment 1.

Correspondence

- 2020 Member Enrollment forms were available.
- 2020 Parent Permission slips were available. The deadline for all species of animals is the March meeting.
- Stephanie Stakenas was there taking shirt orders to be ready in time for Ryan Crawford's benefit dinner.
- Michael Lammi had wristbands also available for Ryan Crawford's benefit.
- There were also shirt order forms available for the #WillStrong campaign benefitting Will Flewelling. Both have recently been diagnosed with cancer.

Old Business

- Discussion was opened regarding the motion made at the December meeting to discontinue paying for the insert in the Ludington Daily News, and to instead place a full page or half page ad in the paper thanking the buyers beginning with 2020. Sally Wittlieff and Angel Austin met with a representative from the LDN to discuss the cost of the flyer. Last year the flyer was eight pages long and cost \$500 for the first six pages and \$400 per page after that. They said the LDN was willing to work with us to get more advertisers to bring our cost down. There were also several areas where the size could be condensed down to six pages. There was some discussion about how much the kids

actually benefit from having the ad in the paper, and the possibility of taking an extra commission out of each child's check to pay for the ad. After much discussion Beth Saxton decided to withdraw her motion and work with the LDN to come up with a more cost-effective flyer.

New Business

- The regularly scheduled April meeting falls during the week of spring break. Sally Wittlieff made a motion the change the meeting date to Wednesday, April 8th as to not conflict with MCE school not being available. Supported by Anna Tyndall. Motion carried.
- The Executive Board went to the WMFA Board of Directors meeting on Monday, January 13, 2020 and requested the sale time to start at 5:00 pm on Thursday, with the Veterans Program immediately preceding the sale beginning at 4:30 pm. We have heard back from the WMFA Board of Directors, and they have voted to start the sale at 3:00 pm on Thursday, the same time as last year.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, March 4th at 7:00 PM at Mason County Eastern Schools.

Roll call completed

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Spencer Bowman

WMLC Corresponding Secretary