Antrim County Fair Association
Meeting Minutes
December 15th, 2025

Meeting called to order at 5:58 pm

Present: Tianne Varicak, Teresa Cole, Sandi Pyle, Abigail Pyle, Beverly Variot, Samantha Variot, Sarah Musser, TJ Bilyeu, Crystal Bilyeu, Jarris Rubingh, Olivia Fox

Public Comments:

- **Jarris Rubingh reported that the Commissioners were glad to see the fair making money. Antrim Creek Natural Area Committee, 160 acres in Banks Township, on Lake Michigan is treating trees for an invasive insect called the Hemlock Woolly Adelgid attacking Hemlock trees.**

Secretary Report:

- **Motion to approve previous minutes by Teresa Cole; 2nd by Sarah Musser**
- **Voted and passed**

Treasurer Report

- **Discussed ways to include Sandy Tuttle in monthly meetings.**
- **Teresa Cole presented the contracts with county, $6000.00 in total**
  - **$3000.00 in January 20th, 2026**
  - **$3000.00 in July 20th, 2026**
- **Tabled until January 12th, 2026 meeting**

Fair Book

- **Will be printing the Fair book this year**
- **Will start getting ads after the holiday season**
- **Teresa Cole will put together a list of ads after the holidays**
- **Motion to approve the minutes by Tianne Varicak; 2nd Beverly Variot**
- **Voted and passed**

Coloring Contest

- **Will need to get information out to public about the contest**
- **Teresa Cole will email out the flyer from last year**
- **Talked about placement on the back cover**

Activity Committee:

- **Tentative schedule shared**
- **Need to talk with Sandy Tuttle about an activities account fund**
- **Sandy Tuttle has volunteered to work on the volunteer list to fill spots**

- **Sandy Tuttle will run the Euchre game**
- **Bingo happens at Rubber Ducky festival so no bingo at the fair**
- **Elvis has not confirmed yet**
- **Petting Zoo, Tianne Varicak will contact and get more information**
- **Paint & Sip, Abigail Pyle will contact Art Connection; maybe during the auction**
- **Pony rides, Sarah Musser will give contact information to Tianne Varicak**
- **Raptors, Saturday in morning**
- **Lego, Tianne Varicak will follow up**
- **Some to DJ the fair**
- **Contact the Farm Bureau for the Pancake Breakfast**

Project Red:

- **Initially wanted to use the fairgrounds in the Spring of 2026. Project RED has requested to use the fairground in the Fall of 2026. Specifically, Wednesday, October 7th, 2026 or Wednesday, October 14th, 2026**
- **RED is Rural Educational Day**
- **A Fair Board Member should be in attendance**
- **Motion to approve the date switch by Teresa Cole, 2nd by Tianne Varicak**
- **Voted and passed**

Public Comment:

- **Jarris Rubingh suggests we email the minutes to Lilly**
- **Olivia Fox is the new 4-H extension office worker, this is her 3rd week, here to support the education for youth within the county. Will not attend every meeting. Call, text or email if we need anything.**
- **Jarris Rubingh suggests we email our minutes and tentative schedule to the Board of Commissioners.**

Meeting Adjourned at 6:30 pm