October 17, 2023

Meeting Time: 12:00 p.m.

Meeting Place: Rossville Town Park Pavilion

Lunch Provided By: Kristen Landgrebe/Ben Rodkey/Redline Equipment

Members Present: 15 members present

1. Rod Miller called the meeting to order. Kristen Landgrebe, Ben Rodkey, and Redline Equipment were thanked for providing the meal.

2. Treasurer's Report:

Checking Acct: \$17,704.12 Savings Acct: \$13,695.81

CD: \$10,405.40

An updated summary of expenses and income from the Summer's End Festival was presented for review. It is believed all expenses have been paid at this time.

3. There were no new updates presented from the group for the Summer's End Festival.

New Business:

- 1. A donation request was presented to the group from RCSD for the upcoming Academic Banquet. After discussion, Freddie Rodkey made a motion to donate \$300.00, seconded by Ben Rodkey, and motion carried.
- 2. There was discussion of the future of the Rossville Business Association and the Summer's End Festival. Rod Miller, Freddie Rodkey, Rita Betts, and Pat McIlrath will be stepping down from the executive committee. The question was presented to the group-"Do we move forward?" Discussion was opened to floor for anyone to comment. Freddie Rodkey gave a brief description of how the group began and how it has progressed forward into being just a committee for the Summer's End Festival. It was mentioned that we have always been the 4th weekend of August with newer events scheduled that same weekend has caused the decline of the festival. Most small carnival operators have gone out of business since Covid. This has attributed to not being able to schedule a carnival. Cathy Michael stated that none of the other festivals in Clinton County have festival rides. It was discussed moving to another weekend; however, the start of school and the start of harvest would affect participation. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided to move forward with continuing the RBA and the Summer's End Festival and make some changes. It was also suggested moving the meetings to the evening.
- 3. A nomination committee was formed. Rod Miller, Freddie Rodkey, and Rita Betts will seek individuals to fill the executive committee vacancies.
- 4. Jessica Heater suggested getting the Summer's End Festival more exposure is to participate in Facebook Marketing and contacting Main Street in Frankfort.

There being no further business to come before the group, the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, November 21, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. at the Rossville Town Park Pavilion. Rod Miller has volunteered to provide the meal.

Respectfully submitted, Rod Miller, Co-President Pat McIlrath, Secretary