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H) PARKS & RECREATION – No report.

I) PERSONNEL – No report.

J) PUBLICITY
Yard signs ordered. Thumbcoast same price as 2025.

K) SPONSORS
Sold the first digital banner. Going to look at renting a TV instead of purchasing one. Banner cost is $150, runs for 10 seconds on a roll.

L) STILL EXHIBITS – No report.

9) OLD BUSINESS – None.

A) T-SHIRTS

If there is anyone that wants to order anything that's not on the online system, let M. Klemmer know to avoid shipping.

10) NEW BUSINESS

A) PASSES

T. Warchuck would like to see the fair offer free weekly admission passes to families where kids show livestock. A motion was made to give each family who has a child exhibiting livestock a free weekly admission pass by T. Warchuck. No support. Motion died for lack of support.

T. Warchuck does not know how much this would cost the fair, or how many free passes this would actually be. This data can be obtained, but a concern of how to implement this and potential abuse have not been considered.

11) ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by R. Ruemenapp, supported by L. Pennazoli to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried.

Chris Ruemenapp, Secretary