

Lincoln County Fair Board

Thursday, July 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Lincoln County Courthouse
225 West Olive Street, Room 108
Newport, Oregon

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Acknowledging there was a quorum Commissioner Claire Hall present, Frank Geltner called the meeting of the Lincoln County Fair Board to order at 10:10 a.m. County Counsel, Wayne Belmont was present and Kristi Whitaker took minutes.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the June 14, 2018 meeting were reviewed by the board electronically; there being no corrections, *the minutes were approved as distributed.*

III. Commons Usage Requests

A. Mary Robeson, 4H Fair Camping

- Four 4H kids presented to the Board their interest to camp on the fairgrounds during the animal fair. Previously, camping done during the fair event has been at the county parking lot across the street from the fairgrounds.
- *Claire Hall moved to approve the request to allow camping on the fairgrounds over the coming weekend, Frank Geltner seconded; a vote was taken and passed unanimously.*

B. Leon Noble, Sea Scout Ship Rampart

- Leon Noble requested the use of the barn as a temporary location for the Sea Scout squad to work on boats that are currently stored at the Elks Lodge.
 - Project time frames are 2-3 day periods; fiberglass and wood are the primary used materials.
- Jack Whaley stated the projects would need to be presented on an individual basis for approval of materials and time frames.
- *Claire Hall moved to allow the Sea Scouts to work with fairgrounds staff for use of the property on an approved project by project basis, Frank Geltner seconded; a vote was taken and passed unanimously.*

IV. Master Gardener Demonstration Garden – Cathi Block

No one present

V. Other Business

A. OSU Extension/4H Update

- Though they do not have specific numbers yet, Todd Williver stated the fair was well attended.
- Returning vendors are up year to year.

- Todd Williver received several calls from Nyla Jebousek regarding the helicopter & one call from an individual at Otter Rock.
- Todd Williver stated FOLCAS and another person voiced concern about Newport Zoo and animals in captivity. Todd stated the Fair is operating within appropriate guidelines and he advised their concerns can be addressed with the Fair Board or other governing bodies.
- Open class exhibits were down but are expected to bounce back next year; this is due to the timing of change for the first year to an earlier date in July from the traditional August time frame.
- Food vendors were down but that had been anticipated.
- Senior BBQ was up about 25%.
- The monster truck event had roughly 950 spectators. This was organized by Newport Pawn and Precision Auto.
- New sponsor, Newport Toyota, sold 5 cars.
- Beverage sales were up and the Fair maintained a family friendly atmosphere.
- Additional temporary staffing added 100 additional hours.
- The 4H animal fair is this coming week.
- Frank Geltner stated he was contacted by Vicki Philips regarding the helicopter flying over big creek area.
 - o The helicopter provides 25% of their revenue to the Fair
- Conversation took place regarding the 2019 fair dates and whether to include the 4th of July.
- Conversation took place regarding feedback in the newspaper and potentially bringing a carnival back next year.

B. Master Plan-Refinement Update/Consultants

- Wayne Belmont provided an update for the Urban Renewal Agency on Monday the 16th; another public meeting to be held at the City Hall on July 30th.

C. County Staff Update

-Jack Whaley stated on Saturday night the sewer failed in the Exhibit Hall and they had broken a snake in the line; the system is down until it can be reattached. Restrooms are temporarily out of order.

- Port-a-Potties are on site until repairs are made.

- No update on the tractor purchase until the masterplan is complete and specific needs are laid out.

D. Public Comment

- Nyla Jebousek voiced a complaint over the helicopter flights heard from her residence in Big Creek.
 - o Todd Williver commented that the helicopter has to use the prevailing wind and does not have a specific flight path.
- Linda Neigebauer encouraged placing a park on the Commons property to include a playground to accommodate young children and family events. Linda offered the idea of using non-profits as food vendors and encouraged an increase presence of local artisans and Saturday Market participants.

- Claire Hall suggested playing off an old fashion 4th of July celebrating local history with history exhibits and costumes.

VI. Adjournment

The next meeting of the Lincoln County Fair Board will be Thursday, August 9, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in Room 108 of the Lincoln County Courthouse.

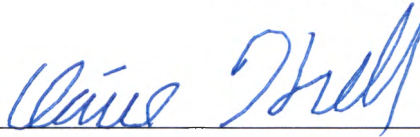
Meeting was adjourned at 11:22 p.m.

DATED this 9th day of August, 2018.

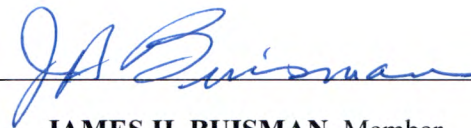
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