

# Elko County Agricultural Association, District #4 Aka Elko County Fair Board

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## Fairboard Members

Chairman-Tony Buzzetti  
Vice Chairman /Paramutuel- Goivanni Puccinelli  
Racing & Executive Committee-Justin McDermott  
Admissions/concessions/vendors-Dawn Leyva  
Stockhorse Committee- John Henry Roderick  
Stockhorse Committee -Millie Wakley  
Home Arts Chairman- Katie Upshaw  
Stockhorse Committee- Jay Dalton



## **PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**

The Elko County Fair Board will meet in a regular Monthly meeting on:

**Wednesday January 20, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.**

Exhibit Hall Elko County Fairgrounds, Elko, Nevada.

**DUE TO COVID -19 AND UPON DIRECTIVES FROM THE GOVERNOR, THE POSTING REGULATIONS HAVE TEMPORARILY CHANGED AND ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS IS LIMITED TO 35 PEOPLE. WE ENCOURAGE THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING BY SUBMITTING COMMENTS THROUGH EMAIL OR TEXT MESSAGE. BEFORE THE START OF THE MEETING YOU CAN EMAIL: ECFBSECRETARY@GMAIL.COM OR TEXT TO 775-397-2769. All comments will be put on the record. If you need special accommodations to receive a copy of the agenda or to comment, please contact Secretary JJ Roemmich at 775-397-2769**

The Chairman reserves the right to change the order of the agenda and if the agenda is not completed to recess the meeting and continue another specified date and time. The public can comment on any agenda item by being acknowledged by the chairperson while the fairboard considers that agenda item.

- **Call to order:** Chairman.
- **Prior Meeting Minutes-** the approval of the October 21, 2020 meeting minutes. *Action Item*
- **Board, Staff & Committee Appointments:** *Action Item*  
Appoint board members to the positions that resigned at the last monthly meeting and appoint staff/committee to various positions.
- **Public Comment:** *Information Item*  
This time is devoted to comments by the general public, if any, and discussion of those comments. No action may be taken upon a matter raised under this item on the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on a successive agenda and identified to be an action item.
- **County Tax Increment:** *For Information/ Possible Action*  
Discussion and consideration of raise in our current property tax abatement due to the pay as you go program being voted down. Current rate is .0035 in both the operating and capital funds.
- **Elko Co Fair Livestock Show and Sale:** *For Information/ Possible Action*  
Discussion of the 2021 Elko Co livestock show and sale.
- **Barn Sound System:** *For Information/ Possible Action*  
Discussion and consideration of replacing the sound system in the barn area.
- **2021 Fair Celebration Monthly Planning update:** *For Information/ Possible Action*  
Discussion and planning of the upcoming 100-year celebration.
- **Racing-stakes races:** *Action Item*  
Discussion and decision on the 2021 race dates, added money to advertise for the 2021 stakes races.
- **Grounds Rental Rates, Contracts, Arena signs and Banners:** *Action Item*  
Discussion and consideration of any changes to the contracts or grounds rental rates, arena signs and banners for 2021.
- **Grounds Report & Fairgrounds Improvements budget requests for 2021:** *For Possible Action*  
Discussion and consideration of the projects that have been done and going to be done with the improvement and upkeep of the Elko County Fairgrounds. Budget requests for improvements 2021.
- **Treasurers Report:** *Action Item.*  
Discussion and consideration of the monthly financial report, present bills needing to be paid/and bills already paid.
- **Committee Reports:** *For Possible Action*  
Discussion on reports from the: Office: JJ Roemmich  
Home Arts: Katie Upshaw, Angela Taravella  
Stockhorse: John Henry Roderick, Tony Buzzetti, Millie Wakley, Jay Dalton  
Marketing-Promotions: Daryl Santos  
Racing: Goivanni Puccinelli, Justin McDermott  
Vendors/Admissions/Concessions: Dawn Leyva  
Livestock Show & Sale: Jay Dalton, Tony Buzzetti  
Other Committees reporting
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**Next Meetings: February ?, 2020 TBD @ 5:30 pm**

## **Meeting Adjourns**

**AGENDA PUBLICLY POSTED AT:** Elko County Managers Office, City of Elko City Hall, Elko Post Office, Elko County Fairgrounds main office board [www.elkocountyfair.com](http://www.elkocountyfair.com) Email: [ecfbsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:ecfbsecretary@gmail.com)

**ELKO COUNTY FAIR BOARD  
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES  
Wednesday October 21, 2020 5:30 pm  
The Exhibit Hall, Elko Co Fairgrounds  
ELKO, NEVADA**



**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tony Buzzetti Justin McDermott Jay Dalton  
Goivanni Puccinelli Dawn Leyva John Henry Roderick

**BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF NOT PRESENT:**

Amelia Wakley Katie Upshaw

**STAFF PRESENT:**

J.J. Roemmich, Secretary/Treasurer Angela Taravella  
Jonathan Taravella, Grounds Manager Daryl Santos, Marketing  
Yolanda Duran

**GUESTS:**

Aron Means Ben & Kim McKnight Chip Stone Laurel Wachtel  
Randi & Taylor Preston Linda Bark

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Elko County Fair Board Chairman Tony Buzzetti called the regular monthly meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

**Minutes:** *Action Item*

Meeting Minutes from the Regular monthly meeting July 29, 2020 and Special Board Meeting August 5, 2020. Giovanni Puccinelli moved to approve the meeting minutes; John Henry Roderick seconded the motion to approve. All approved.

**Public Comment:** *Information Item*

Chip stone working with Kim McKnight on the barn and auction barn sound system. 18 speakers. One switch would work for everywhere, one would work for auction barn and other for grass area. cost just to order the gear around \$11,000.00 right now. Hes still negotiating the prices. He will draw everything out and similar speakers to what is in the stadium and weatherproof. Tony thanked him for all his support for the No Fair event and being our liaison.

**2021 Fair Celebration with kickoff concert UPDATE:** *For Information / Possible Action Item*

Parmalee kept the deposit for the same date, for the same price. We have signed a new contract. Sound and stage will work. Dawn reported on some bandanas with the 100<sup>th</sup> year fair embroidered on them for about \$6.00 each and sell them for \$10.00 or \$12.00. She felt it would be another good source for making money. The more you order the less the price. Dawn was going to go talk to the other t-shirt place in town for their cost. She asked about the little book 100-year anniversary book, she worked with Jan Petersen to start it. They sold them for \$35.00 each and ordered for a cost of \$5000.00. There are lots of pictures in the stampede book. The board stated to continue working on it and not order any just yet.

**Grounds Report:** *For Possible Action Item*

Grounds Manager JT Taravella reported the grounds, going to shut the water off on Friday. Tony requested to put our social media or on our webpage. The people just cannot be coming in during the events putting horses anywhere they want to. Also, people riding here when events are going on when they are not part of the event. Discussion on the windows in the announcers stand and getting a quote to be done during the winter. The workers are gone already, he will not hire anyone until July 1<sup>st</sup>. Tony stated wait to see how things go and see where we are at. Nothing else to report.

**Treasurers Report:** *Action Item*

JJ Roemmich presented the report from July 29, 2020 thru October 21, 2020, discussion on paid bills, unpaid bills and the no fair expenses. John Henry Roderick made the motion to pay any unpaid bills, accept the bills already paid. Justin McDermott seconded the motion, Giovanni Puccinelli abstained due to Western Nevada Supply all other board members approved.

**Committee Report:** *For Possible Action Item*

- **Stockhorse Committee-** John Henry Roderick reported they have already talked to Doug Groves and it will be the same plan next year.
- **Livestock committee -** Jay reported he heard nothing but praise. Everyone was happy and they loved the livestock auction outside. We had a meeting last Wednesday on the livestock stuff and they debriefed over everything. The Elko Co Fairboard the Livestock Committee will stay in charge of the livestock show and sale. We are going to have a sale show committee. It

went off great with no issues. Some learning curves and all the volunteers made it all happen. The Sale was one of the very best. Need to have more meetings that need to be ironed out. Jay reported they have received a letter from Mr. Lyles, and we will go over it during a livestock committee meeting.

- **Sponsorship/promotions**- Daryl reported he's going to start in Nov after Thanksgiving to get people back on board for this next year.
- Other- Discussion on the New Year's Eve event and whether or not they are going to do it. Also, discussion on Festival of Trees and Silver State Trade Show. New Year's Eve must be reserved tables. Pay in advance too. Social media advertise and get on the calendar of events for Everything Elko.

**Public Comment:**

Aron Means commented to Thank all the Board members and staff for doing the No Fair Event.

*Meeting Adjourned.*

**Respectfully Submitted,**

*JJ Roemmich*

**Jennifer JJ Roemmich** *Elko County Fairboard Secretary*