

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 February 17, 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 January 20, 2020 meeting minutes. *Action Item*
- **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.
- **2021 Fair Celebration Monthly Planning update:** *For Information/ Possible Action*
Discussion and planning on, a centennial book and all events for the 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 Report:** *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.
- **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: March 10 2020 The Exhibit Hall, Elko County Fairgrounds @ 5:30 pm

Meeting Adjourns

AGENDA PUBLICLY POSTED AT: Elko County Managers Office, Elko Post Office, Elko County Fairgrounds main office board
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**ELKO COUNTY FAIR BOARD
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday January 20, 2021

5:30 pm

Exhibit Building, Elko County Fairgrounds

ELKO, NEVADA



BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tony Buzzetti Goivanni Puccinelli Amelia Wakley
Dawn Leyva John Henry Roderick

BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF NOT PRESENT:

Jay Dalton Katie Upshaw Justin McDermott

STAFF PRESENT:

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

GUESTS:

Aron Means- V-L Rodeo Laurel Wachtel Rich Leyva
Ben McKnight-Elko Co 4-H

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Elko County Fair Board Chairman Tony Buzzetti called the regular monthly meeting to order at 5:37 p.m.

Minutes:

Action Item

Meeting Minutes from the Regular monthly meeting October 21, 2020. Giovanni Puccinelli moved to approve, and John Henry Roderick seconded. All approved. No one abstained.

Board, Staff & Committee Appointments:

Action Item

Giovanni Puccinelli made the motion to nominate Tony Buzzetti as Chairman and Amelia Wakley Seconded all approved. John Henry Roderick made the motion to nominate Giovanni Puccinelli as Vice Chairman Amelia Wakley Seconded all approved. John Henry Roderick moved to leave the executive board as is and all the committee chairs stay the same. Amelia Wakley seconded all approved. Tony Buzzetti listed all the committees. All approved.

Public Comment:

Information Item

None

County Tax Increment:

For Information/Possible Action

The board discussed the possible increase in the tax increments and would support any action to get more funds. The board to get more details and look into what we need to do on increasing those funds.

Elko County Livestock Show and Sale:

For Information/Possible Action

Chairman Tony Buzzetti reported they met in November to go through and finalize the rules to get them out to the club leaders and 4-H. He had not really had any response at that time from UNR and he had heard talk that 4-H is going to do their own thing. He has since talked to the folks at UNR and they have since retracted. We are going to keep the livestock committee with the same people Jay Dalton and Tony Buzzetti. We are also starting other committees within the Livestock Committee. Motion made by Amelia Wakley to approve the board members to the show & sale and committee. Giovanni Puccinelli seconded the motion all approved.

Barn Sound System:

For Possible Action

Ben McKnight got another quote from Chip today \$13,000-\$15,000. The Fairboard had previously donated \$7500.00 and they have the rest from donations. Will wait till spring to begin any work.

2021 Fair Celebration Monthly Planning Updates:

For Information / Possible Action Item

Chairman Tony Buzzetti had talked to Katie Upshaw and she was asking about Home Art and when she should start back up on that. Dawn Leyva stated we probably do not have anything that needs to be done right now and maybe like March / April we will have more idea on what is going on. The concert is still set up and nothing has changed.

2021 Fair Celebration Monthly Planning Updates: (continued)

On the centennial book, Dawn Leyva had a meeting with Jan Peterson, it is 20-30 hours per week working on it for a year to get it going and printed. It was about \$5,500.00 just getting information and book printed. Discussion on the Silver State Stampedes books and what is inside it. It is a lot of time to put in and if we cannot afford to do it.

Tony Buzzetti asked about the dinosaur suits for the dinosaur race. Dawn Leyva stated that Ely does the businesses, and they donate for each dinosaur runner. Discussion on how to run our race and how to do it. Secretary JJ Roemmich to order the suits and buy around 10-16. Dawn Leyva made the motion to buy 16 dinosaur suits adult size. Giovanni Puccinelli seconded. All approved. They are also going to do a livestock parade of the champions during the horse races on the second Saturday.

Racing-Stakes Races:

For Possible Action

Secretary JJ Roemmich discussed the stakes race mailing and asked for approval. Justin McDermott asked us to run the first weekend on Friday / Saturday only running 1-6 races and start at 3pm on Friday instead of 1pm. Run all the trials on Saturday and run regular races on Friday. JJ will submit for all three days with gaming and get with Brian McIntosh on this. Giovanni Puccinelli made a motion to approve the form and ask for the extra date on the first weekend. Decision to wait till February on decisions.

Grounds Rental Rates, Contracts, Arena Signs and Banners:

Action Item

Dawn Leyva suggested to add the setup fee for the Exhibit building at \$200.00 on the day before. John Henry Roderick made the motion to keep the rates the same as last year and add the \$200.00 set up fee for the exhibit building on the day before the event. Giovanni Puccinelli seconded all approved.

Grounds Report/Fairgrounds Improvements budget requests for 2020:

Action Item

Grounds Manager JT Taravella reported on the grounds when we were closing up shop after the last events the water truck had some problems. The clutch was out, they have it in the shop. The disk is used every event the front section will need to be replaced. Boss tanks reported to repair the disks at about \$1,200.00. Hes wanting to hold off having the guys coming back till around the first of June. Announcers Stand he had B3 Glass to order the windows and the ticket booth and Dawn & Rich Leyva are donating the windows and it will be around \$1,500.00 to take those out, cut bigger holes and put the new windows in. Dawn Leyva asked to get the windows maybe done different and get a different quote on that. Giovanni Puccinelli made the motion to repair the disk they use for most of the events at \$1,000.00 Dawn Leyva seconded all approved. Nothing else to report.

Treasurers Report:

Action Item

JJ Roemmich presented the report from Oct 21, 2020 to Jan 19, 2021. Explaining all the paid bills and unpaid bills and the no fair expenses. Dawn Leyva made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report as reported with paid bills. Amelia Wakley seconded all approved. Giovanni abstained.

Committee Report:

For Possible Action Item

- **Office-** JJ Roemmich reported she wants to order a sticker to put on the tickets so we can reuse the ones we already paid for from last year. Nothing else to report.
- **Marketing & Promotions-** Daryl Santos reported he will start sending letters and get with businesses for sponsorship. He will revisit the Indian Relay races for the first weekend. He will also talk to the college about the memory book. Nothing else to report.
- **Racing-** Giovanni reported he is planning on going to Evanston, Wyoming to their race meet to meet people and see what they have racing this coming year. Nothing else to report.
- **Admission/Vendors/Concessions:** Dawn reported, if they decide to do the book, have hats and visors and bandana's for sale she thought we could get the band kids to do our own little booth, so people see them. Also have the 100-year put on the hats.
- **Home Arts-** Angela reported the software is coming up for renewal and it will need to be paid.

Public Comment:

No Public Comment.

Next Regular Meeting Date: February 17, 2020 Exhibit Building, Elko County Fairgrounds 5:30 pm

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

JJ Roemmich

Jennifer JJ Roemmich Elko County Fairboard Secretary