

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-Kim Johnson
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 May 12, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

Exhibit Hall Elko County Fairgrounds, Elko, Nevada.

If you need special accommodations to receive a copy of the agenda or to comment, please contact Secretary JJ Roemmich at 775-397-2769 or elkocountyfair@hotmail.com

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 April 14, 2021 meeting minutes. *Action Item*
- **Board & Committee Appointment:** *Action Item*
Discuss the board members who applied for the position due to retiring/resigning board member and recommend them for Appointment to the Elko County Commissioners.
- **Public Comment:** *Information Item*
Pursuant to NRS 241 this time is devoted to comments by 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.
- **Water truck:** *For Possible Action*
Larry Ledinsky & Mike Christensen bringing discussion on a sale/use of the old water truck that is parked behind the arena.
- **Elko Lions Club:** *For Possible Action*
Discussion and consideration on the Elko Co Fair Parade Funding.
- **ATM Contract:** *For Possible Action*
Discussion on a contract to have ATM machines set up at the events at the fairgrounds.
- **2021 Fair Celebration Monthly update:** *For Information/ Possible Action*
Discussion and planning on all events for the 100-year celebration.
- **Grounds Report:** *For Possible Action*
Discussion and consideration of the projects that have been done and still in progress with the improvement and upkeep of the Elko County Fairgrounds.
- **Treasurers Report:** *Action Item.*
Discussion and consideration on the budget committee meeting, 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-Paramutuel: Goivanni Puccinelli, Justin McDermott, Yolanda Duran
Admissions/Concessions: Kim Johnson
Livestock Show & Sale: Jay Dalton, Tony Buzzetti
Other Committees reporting
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Next Meetings: June 9, 2021 The Exhibit Hall, Elko County Fairgrounds @ 5:30 pm

Meeting Adjourns

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**ELKO COUNTY FAIR BOARD
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday April 14, 2021

5:30 pm

Exhibit Building, Elko County Fairgrounds

ELKO, NEVADA



BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tony Buzzetti Justin McDermott Amelia Wakley
Dawn Leyva John Henry Roderick Jay Dalton Katie Upshaw

BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF NOT PRESENT:

Goivanni Puccinelli

STAFF PRESENT:

J.J. Roemmich, Secretary/Treasurer Daryl Santos, Marketing JT Taravella, Grounds Manager
Angela Taravella, Home Arts Assistant Yolanda Duran-Paramutuel

GUESTS:

Aron Means- V-L Rodeo Kim McKnight-Livestock & Concert Ben McKnight-Livestock Committee
Chip Stone-City of Elko Liaison Brian McIntosh-Nevada Gaming Control

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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 March 10, 2021. Dawn Leyva moved to approve the meeting minutes as written, and John Roderick seconded. Katie Upshaw abstained as she was not present. All others approved.

Public Comment:

Information Item

None

ATM Contract:

For Possible Action

Tony Buzzetti reported the Silver State Stampede asked about having ATMs at the event and we want some for the fair. Some questions from the Atm provider Stick with Us. Dawn answered some of the questions. The past people had 3 on premise, during the fair. They did not move them at night just covered them. At least \$20,000 per atm machine each day. We will talk to Stick with Us and get more answers.

2021 Fair Celebration Monthly Planning Updates:

For Information / Possible Action Item

Kim McKnight discussed the concert admissions charges. We had \$40.00 general admission and listed the others. The Boys N Girls Club has lowered their prices and she wondered if we wanted to lower ours to their prices. John Henry & Dawn suggested lowering to the same prices as Boys N Girls club. The pit is a different price and standing only. Tony stated compared to the concert during the mine expo, we have more events we want them to come back to. Have a presale ticket price and then at the gate more. The pit will leave at \$50.00. General admission presale \$35.00 at the gate \$40.00. Discussion on the process for the concert and stage placement. The mine expo is in the arena but ours will be up against the fence at the grandstands. Justin suggested lowering everything \$5. John Henry made the motion to sell tickets for the concert \$35.00 presale, \$40.00 at the gate general admission, \$45.00 presale for the pit and \$50.00 at the gate. The box seats and clubhouse will sell for pre-owners \$300.00 and \$400.00 for non-owners. Dawn seconded the motion all approved.

Vendors will be open and setup by Thursday morning. Chip Stone asked brought the bill for the stage need \$3,250.00 for the bill and there is another bill for Cort Carpenter that needs 50% down too. We have an opportunity to have them digital and they can advertise on the bottom for sponsors for the concert.

Grounds Report:

Action Item

JT Taravella reported John needs to come tell JT what he needs to do for the alley way. Discussion on the disk being broke and Boss Tanks will not return calls, or they will not repair it. Discussion on the situation on the people on Facebook stating someone is charging them to ride on the track or the arenas at \$10.00 each. JT needs to figure out who is doing this. Discussion on arenas being worked and people paying to have the arenas worked. Daryl stated that we need to have calendars available for people. Aron means stated that last year we are down here riding and he got into it with the race-horse guys on the use of the track. Somewhere somehow, they have an attitude and think people cannot use the track. He has gotten into it with them the last couple of years. Tony stated we need to put a schedule out and close things up when the events are going on. John made a motion to work the arenas once a week and only once a week starting May 1st. Set up a donation box outside to possibly working it more and signs on

each arena ride at your own risk and arena worked Monday morning. If there is an event in either arena the entire property is closed. Dawn seconded all approved. Daryl also stated the upper gate needs repaired so we can lock that gate, so overnights do not pull in up there.

Treasurers Report:

Action Item

JJ Roemmich presented the report from March 10, 2021 to April 14, 2021. Explaining all the paid bills and unpaid bills. Amelia Wakley made a motion to approve the Treasurers Report as reported with paid bills, claim to improvement fund and unpaid bills. Justin McDermott seconded. All approved.

Committee Report:

For Possible Action Item

- **Home Arts-** Katie and Angela will get together to train on the software. Nothing else to report.
- **Stockhorse Committee:** John Roderick reported we had a meeting last week we are getting everything figured out and will have another meeting for the fair book. Nothing else to report.
- **Marketing/Promotions:** Daryl Santos stated we have about \$11,000 in sponsorship. A lot of the people have agreed to the same as last year. He is trying to get grants for the fair for their 100-year anniversary. Nothing else to report.
- **Racing Committee:** Brian McIntosh talked about letters that were sent out to Ely and Elko from the Nevada Gaming Control Board on the race purse fund we get each month. They have ceased the race purse money since Jan 2021, the law stated that if we do not pay the taxes, we cannot get the distributions. Brian's solution was to pay back the taxes, but we could not pay anything because we did not have parimutuel handle in 2020. The last option going forward is the Gaming Control Board applied for cares money because all this is due to Covid cancelations. He came up with a 7-year average and that is what they are requesting.
- **Chairman-**Tony Buzzetti reported he and JJ had attended the Budget committee meeting asking for funding for a new arena tractor and increase our funds for operating and improvement.
- **Livestock Show & Sale-** they met about 3 weeks ago, JJ is getting the buckles also doing the judges for the beef, sheep and goats. They are getting a separate poultry judge. Everything moving along and they are meeting again in May. Karen stated this will be her last year clerking for the sale. Nothing else to report.
- **No other committees reporting.**

Public Comment:

No Public Comment.

Next Regular Meeting Date: May 12, 2021 Exhibit Building, Elko County Fairgrounds 5:30 pm

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

JJ Roemmich

Jennifer JJ Roemmich *Elko County Fairboard Secretary*