

Elko County Agricultural Association, District #4

Aka Elko County Fair Board

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Fairboard Members

Chairman/Stockhorse/Livestock-Tony Buzzetti
Executive/Racing Committee- Justin McDermott
Executive/Stockhorse Chairman/Livestock - Jon Ross
Concessions/Vendors -Angela Taravella
Stockhorse Committee –Millie Wakley
Home Arts/Admissions Chairman- Cori Rainwater
Livestock/Stockhorse Committee- Jay Dalton
Parimutuel/Racing-



PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

Exhibit Building Elko County Fairgrounds 1090 13TH St, Elko, Nevada

All Public is welcome. Members of the public who are disabled and require special accommodations or assistance at the meeting are requested to notify the Elko County Fair Board by email: ecfbsecretary@gmail.com or by calling 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-** *Action Item*
the approval of the October 15, 2024, meeting minutes.
- **Public Comment:** *Information Item*
Pursuant to NRS 241 this time is devoted to comments by the 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.
- **Grounds Rental Rates, Contracts, Arena signs and Banners:** *Action Item*
Discussion and consideration of any changes to the contracts or ground rental rates including an added fee on concessions and liquor sales, arena signs and banners for 2025.
- **Racing-Parimutuel 2025:** *For Possible Action*
Discussion and consideration of the 2025 contract with a new parimutuel-racing vendor/contract.
- **Grounds Report:** *For Possible Action*
Discussion and consideration of the projects that have been done, 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/Admissions: Cori Rainwater
 - Stockhorse: John Ross Tony Buzzetti, Millie Wakley, Jay Dalton
 - Marketing-Promotions: Daryl Santos
 - Racing-Pari-mutuel: Goivanni Puccinelli, Justin McDermott, Yolanda Duran
 - Vendors/Concessions: Angela Taravella
 - Livestock Show & Sale: Jay Dalton, Tony Buzzetti, Giovanni Puccinelli
 - Other Committees reporting
- **Board Member Terms:** *Information Item*
Discussion on board members terms that expire at the end of 2024 and advertising board member vacancies.
- **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.

Next Meeting dates: TBD @ 5:30 pm

JANUARY 8, 2025

STOCKHORSE COMMITTEE MEETING November 12, 24 @ Elko Co Fair Office 5:30pm

ADJOURNMENT

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**ELKO COUNTY FAIR BOARD
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY OCTOBER 15, 2024
5:30 pm
Elko Co Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall
1094 13th Street
ELKO, NEVADA**



BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tony Buzzetti Justin McDermott Jay Dalton
Amelia Wakley John Ross

BOARD MEMBERS & STAFF NOT PRESENT:

Angela Taravella Cori Rainwater

STAFF PRESENT

J.J. Roemmich, Secretary/Treasurer Daryl Santos Yolanda Duran-Parimutuel
Justin Reeves, Grounds Manager

GUESTS:

Cam Clifford Rich & Dawn Leyva Ben McKnight-Livestock Chip Stone
John Wright Mrs Sharp-Wrestling Loudan Sharp-Wrestling Derril Fry Wrestling
Rod Bryson ECHS

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Elko County Fair Board Chairman Tony Buzzetti called the regular monthly meeting to order at 5:42 p.m.

Minutes: *Action Item*

Meeting Minutes from the Regular monthly meeting August 14, 2024. Amelia Wakley moved to approve the meeting minutes as presented, Jay Dalton seconded the motion, all board approved.

Public Comment: *Information Item*

None

CARNIVAL: *Action Item*

Tabled till further information can be collected.

Silver State Trade show: *Action Item*

Dawn Leyva is here to request using the Exhibit Hall and wants the fairboard to co-sponsor with her. She sets up Sat Jan 25th till Feb 1st She gives us all the revenue from vendor booths. She had 12 vendor booths last year but is getting more vendors interested. John Ross moved to let the Silver State Trade Show use the building and cosponsor the event. Amelia Wakley seconded the motion all approved.

High School Wrestling: *Action Item*

The High School Wrestling dept are here to request the exhibit hall for practice again this year. The season won't open until Nov 16 and would like to set up Nov 15th and pay for heating and incurred costs same as last year. Practice on Monday through Thursday. Would like to have a sign up date on Nov 12th. Jay Dalton moved to approve the high school wrestling using the exhibit hall for practices and same deal as last year on covering the expenses at \$30.00 per day. John Ross Seconded. All approved.

Grounds Rental Rates, Contracts, Arena Signs & Banners: *Action Item*

Discussion on current rental rates. JJ discussed the Twin Falls County Fairgrounds rates, Washington County Legacy Park rates, 3C Arena in Fallon and Spring Creek Association rates. Also, discussion on local halls rental rates on comparable places. We are not charging enough. Must charge a cleaning deposit up front and will give back when event is over. We also have events taken advantage of us on labor for events set up and during events. They need to be charged, or it needs to be reflected in the charge. Chip stone reported the Convention Center is a minimum of 12% across the board on events for liquor and ticket sales. So does the Golf Course if they do a catered event. Tony suggested we make a subcommittee to come up with some ideas and recommendations for the board to approve. Justin McDermott, we look at this some more maybe even have a special meeting to discuss this more. Use a minimum across the board percentage on everything possible. Justin & JJ will come up with recommendations on the rental rates to bring back to the next meeting.

2024 Elko County Fair Discussion:

Action Item

Secretary JJ Roemmich asked about tables and chairs in the clubhouse. We need new ones and charge per seat instead of per table. Need a couple more TV's for parimutuel and jocks room. I also need to look at a new parimutuel machines, tote board supplier. Need more kiosks instead of sellers. Pooch has a couple of names of people that do that. Need to get started now. Millie reported on the livestock and the choice of the slaughter facility. She called up there and it was over 2 weeks after fair and the animals had not been killed yet. Tony explained the situation with the facility and the USDA had shut them down due to a water break and they could not kill 6 steers till that water line was repaired. The USDA inspector was onsite and dealing with it all. Don Noorda praised the facility, and the meat scored great for the carcass contest. The meat is supposed to be here Oct 26th (tentative date). Need to also look at the market animal situation. The livestock committee will need to meet on this and make some decisions on this.

Grounds Reports and Improvements Update:

For Possible Action Item

Grounds Manager Justin Reeves reported the sound system is currently being installed in the livestock area. Still waiting on parts but will be done by Nov 11th at the latest. Ben asked about some speaker placements, and he will get with Justin. The restrooms are pretty much done and just need to get the slopes on the ada bathrooms done and doors need to be done.

Treasurers Report:

Action Item

JJ Roemmich presented the report from August 14, 2024, to October 15, 2024. Bills paid, bills still owed and any for claims to the funds. The total bills paid/unpaid were \$349,853.07 Justin McDermott moved to accept the report of the total bills paid were \$349,853.07. Jay Dalton seconded. All approved.

Committee Report:

For Possible Action Item

- **Office:** nothing to report.
- **Home Arts/Admissions:** nothing reported.
- **Stockhorse:** John Ross reported we will be having a stockhorse meeting at the fair office. Nothing else to report.
- **Racing/Pari-mutuel:** JJ reported we are having a big problem with the testing of the winners and it taking so long after the State Vet has gotten his report out. We will have to work on some changes for next year as this won't work. Nothing else to report.
- **Vendors/Concessions:** Nothing to report.
- **Marketing and Promotions:** nothing to report.
- **Livestock Show & Sale- Committee-** Will be having a meeting soon. Nothing new to report.
- **Other reporting items:** nothing to report.

Public Comment:

Information Item

None

Next Regular Meeting Date:

Tuesday November 13, 2024 @ 5:30 pm

Elko County Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall 1090 13th St Elko, NV 89801

Meeting Adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

JJ Roemmich

Jennifer JJ Roemmich

Elko County Fairboard Secretary