



Bonner County Fair Board

Special Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 24 , 2023
5:30 P.M.

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by Vice Chair Jody Russell at 5:33 PM
 - a. Attendance, Vice Chair - Jody Russell, Laya Bleckwenn, Gail Curless, Ben Wood, Tawnya Johnson, and Tim Mahan. Also were Scott Bauer, Alissa Clark, Chris Larson.
2. **Public Comment:**
 - a. Kristina Anderson brought up issues with the water from the Sheep barn to the petting zoo and this water continually being shut off. Also, why there was no pig scramble. She had other questions, but there are still several things that cannot be discussed in an open meeting.
3. **Action Item: Discussion/Decision Fair Update**
 - a. Positives to Celebrate:
 - i. Ben brought up that we had a good fair. Lots of support that was very positive despite heat, fires and negative with the issues at hand. Despite a little hiccup here or there, things went great.
 - ii. Jody commented that we were sold out in our Friday and Saturday events. Upbeat atmosphere at the fair and by those attending. Beer garden was a great success. Having three scales for the weigh-ins worked great. Received lots of thank yous for our dedication to the fair and things running the way they did.
 - iii. Gail commented on the great participation in the main exhibit building
 - iv. Tawnya was only there for a limited time, but the beer garden was a plus and seemed to be a great positive for the fair.
 - b. Improvements that we saw - We started a list, and this will be looked at during our September/October Workshop meeting. We need to look at

scooter rules and bicycle rules. Must look into the water issues at several buildings.

- c. Tim's Maintenance List will also be continued at the Workshop meeting.
4. **Executive Session:** Ben made a motion to move into executive session under Idaho Code 74-206-1-B Personnel. Gail seconded the motion. The motion passed. Roll call vote: Laya - Yes, Tim - Yes, Ben - Yes, Gail - Yes, Tawnya - Yes, Jody -Yes Fair Board may meet to discuss the following items under Idaho Code 74-206- 1-B Personnel
5. Action Item: Discussion/Decision regarding executive Session items - Ben made a motion to proceed as discussed in Executive. Gail seconded the motion. The motion Passed.
6. Action Item: Discussion/Decision Columbia Bank Signers - Tabled
7. Action Item: Discussion/Decision Mountain West Bank Signers - Tabled