

Columbia County Fair Board Meeting
Monday October 13, 2025
6:30 p.m. Warren Grange Building

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The Columbia County Fair Board met in a regularly scheduled session with Peggy Howell, Henry Heimuller, Ryan Hausner, Jennifer Plahn, Mary Ann Guess, Butch Guess and Branden Staehely

CALL TO ORDER

Peggy called meeting to order at 6:32 pm

APPROVE AGENDA 69

Henry moved to approved agenda as stated, Branden 2nd motion passed

VISITOR COMMENTS – 5 MINUTE LIMIT

Eva gave an update on the museum floor project. She hopes to have a letter to the Fair Board to give to Commissioners by the end of this week. She has received positive feedback from contractors. Electrical and gas lines were identified, and they go around the museum.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Ratify the invoices for September 2025 – Ryan motion to approve the invoices, Henry 2nd – motion passed
- B. Approve Board minutes for September 8, 2025. Work session mins for August 27, and September 24, 2025. Jennifer moved to approve minutes as stated, Butch 2nd, motion passed.

Rodeo Court Committee – Queen Sidney went to the NPRA finals, Princesses Avery and Annika mentioned they helped with the Warren Grange breakfast last weekend and they are all splitting their time attending the various events.

Kailey introduced herself as the 2026 Queen.

Auction Committee – Amanda Hoyt introduced herself is the new treasurer.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 4-H – Woody Davis said 4-H is alive and well. They are doing online enrollment which is new this year. seems to be more hand holding which was expected. People seem to be liking it Emily Schmidlin-Jensen who passed recently was very active in 4-H , dairy women and volunteered. it was asked for any donations be given to 4-H or payable to the Columbia County fair.
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- Kimberly Snook with the St. Helens High School Equestrian team would like to take pictures October 19th by the horse barns with their horses from 9am – 2pm, Henry asked if Kevin would be here. Henry moved to allow access for them to take their pictures with no fees but have insurance and clean up. Jennifer 2nd, motion passed. -
- The new Fair office hours are 9am – 2:30pm Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri, closed Wed. When it gets closer to fair it will be open all week. It was suggested to post office hours on the fence. It could be laminated.

Maintenance Report we had a couple of water leaks and power outage. Henry was at the races when it happened He was glad Branden helped with PUD. Butch said PUD cut the lock to get to the power shed. Will buy new lock and have keys made. –Branden said this is the third time in 5 years we have had this happen to the old lines that are buried without conduit. Branden is working on gathering quotes for different areas from transmitter to Pavilion, race track, to restrooms to ball field–restrooms.-Henry mentioned Kevin did a great job with the people renting the Pavilion. They were without power for about 2 hours. The emergency lights did not come on. We have purchased new lights and are being installed.

- Treasurer Report -current balance is \$33,753.45 without last years balance.
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BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:–

Someone from the audience mentioned last meeting they were waiting for someone to let them in to the meeting online.

ADJOURN

With nothing further to come before the board, the meeting adjourned at 7pm