

# Crook County Fair Board Minutes Fair Board Meeting 5:30 pm- February 22, 2021 1280 S. Main St., Prineville, OR 97754 Telephone 541-447-6575

The regular meeting of the Crook County Fair Board was called to order on February 22, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman, Gail Merritt.

#### **MEMBERS ATTENDING**

- Gail Merritt, Chair
- Linda Smith
- Mike McCabe
- Mike Kasberger
- Dale Cummins
- James Savage
- Stanley Flynn

#### STAFF ATTENDING

- Casey Daly, Manager
- Micaela Halvorson, Office Assistant

### **GUESTS**

- Jason Snider, Crooked River Roundup
- Steve Holliday, Crooked River Roundup

#### **MINUTES**

Dale C. motioned to approve the minutes from January 25, 2021, Linda S. seconded the motion. Motion passed, minutes approved.

## PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Crooked River Roundup-Jason and Steve presented their plans to maintain social distancing and gathering restrictions for rodeo. A map was presented to the fair board with different areas. The Roundup would like to request a meeting with the fairgrounds and the health department to ensure the plan in place is acceptable. Casey will set it up soon to make sure there is enough time to make any adjustments that might be necessary.
- 2021 Fair Report/Entertainment-Casey wanted to update the fair board on where we are at. We were able to hold off on entertainment from last year as long as we committed to having it this year. The judge and commissioners agreed to those conditions. No matter what happens, we are going to have Shenandoah, The Diamonds, Countryfied, and a few others here. We have reserved the parks again this year because we don't know what things are going to look like. We have had a couple of conversations with 4-H and FFA about possible options. We are going to have a fair, just not sure what it is going to look like!

- 2021 Fair Theme-Dale C. motioned to make the 2021 fair theme "Fun For All, Big and Small", Stanley seconded. Motion passes.
- Electric Tractor Update-Eric Blaine is still working on the contract.

## **BOARD REPORTS**

- Gail Merritt: Nothing to report.
- Dale Cummins: Nothing to report.
- Linda Smith: As soon as the restaurants open back up, she is going to go to Ron's Comfort Food and try to figure out a plan to put the Vet's breakfast on this year.
- Mike McCabe: Nothing to report.
- James Savage: Inquired about the naming rights with Pape'. The contract has been signed and we have received the money. We have started working on a couple of projects including the lighting above the grandstands and the actual grandstands seating. Our volunteers are sanding and grinding the edges off the boards or replacing the boards if needed.
- Stanley Flynn: Nothing to report.
- Mike Kasberger: Nothing to report.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

Financial reports were presented to the board.

#### **STAFF REPORT**

Micaela-Nothing to report. Nice getting some revenue in!

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

We have started with our budgeting process again. Our second maintenance person is still included in the budget. When we do resume events, we can hire another employee. We have the same budget as last year so that is good. Casey made a mid-year presentation regarding our current financial situation. The fair board was presented with HB3173. This bill will take the cap off of the lottery dollars that is currently existing. Currently, there is a cap on it of \$1.53 million. The other component of this bill is asking for general fund dollars to do an inventory assessment for capital improvements on all of the state's fair grounds. We are looking for co-sponsors for this bill. We have sent out requests to Vikki Breese-Iverson and Dennis Linthicum. We are asking the fair board to reach out to them as well. Casey attended county court and Duane Garner was also in attendance. He gave an update on the Master Plan project that the Parks and Rec has been working on. Unfortunately, Casey was under the impression that the fairgrounds Master Plan was part of it. Casey contacted MIG. They have not been able to answer why this happened. Both plans were supposed to be presented to the city and county simultaneously. Mike K. explained that there are several steps in the process after talking with Casey Kaiser.

## **ACTION ITEM**

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:32 p.m. Next Regular Meeting Date: March 15, 2021 @ 5:30 p.r	n.
Respectfully Submitted,	
Micaela Halvorson, Office Assistant	Gail Merritt, Chairman