



Minutes of Regular Meeting Lea County Fair and Rodeo Board

Monday, August 10, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

Fair Board Meeting Room – 101 S. Commercial Street, Lovington, New Mexico

Notice of this Meeting has been given to the Public in Compliance with Section 10-15-4 NMSA 1978

Chairman, Larry Wheeler, called the meeting to order at 6:03 P.M. at the Lea County Fair Board Meeting Room.

Members Present to Wit: Trey Kerby, Larry Wheeler, Kris Allen, Vivian Flemens, Brian Pointer, Tyson Pierce, Pat Sims, and Marcy Butts.

Also Present: Clyde Wilhoit, GM Jim Kemp, AC Brandy Campbell

ITEM 01: FAIR AND RODEO BOARD

- Consideration of Approval of the July 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes

No discussion.

Kris Allen made motion to approve minutes from the July 13, 2020 special meeting. Brian Pointer seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

- Public Comments

No comments.

- Fair & Rodeo Board Member Comments

Kris Allen commented how amazing the Livestock Show turned out. Larry Wheeler also gave a special Thank you to Clyde Wilhoit for all of his hard work and to the office staff who went above & beyond. Trey Kerby also thanked the office staff for going above & beyond to prepare the show in 3 days. He also included a thank you to Larry and Sadie Wheeler for their organization and commitment as parents to have a show. Pat Sims gave thanks to Clyde Wilhoit, the Fairgrounds office staff & Lea County Manager, Mike Gallagher for all of the hard work.

ITEM 02: ACTION ITEMS

- Consideration of Approval to renew the 2020 Rodeo Contracts for the 2021 LCFR:
 - ✓ Pete Carr as 2021 PRCA Stock Contractor
 - ✓ Women's Breakaway with \$3,000 added money
 - ✓ Ryan Killingsworth as 2021 Rodeo Sound & Production
 - ✓ Cody Sosebee as 2021 Barrel Man & Special Rodeo Act
 - ✓ Peggy Gander as 2021 Rode Photographer
 - ✓ Ted Harbin as 2021 Media Specialist
 - ✓ Reita Creek as 2021 Rodeo Video Scoreboard provider
 - ✓ Wally Roberts as 2021 Rode VIP Caterer, est. 175 meals per day
 - ✓ Andy Stewart as 2021 Rodeo Announcer

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✓ Bullfighters

- Clay Heger
- Jake King

Rodeo Chairman Trey Kerby mentioned to the Fair Board that there are not any new vendors for the 2021 LCFR. Pat Sims asked if the budget had been cut & GM Kemp said the Fair & Rodeo budget did not get cut.

Kris Allen made motion to approve moving all 2020 Rodeo Contracts to 2021 Lea County Fair & Rodeo. Brian Pointer seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

- Consideration of to use 2020 In Memory & Dedication Honorees for 2021 LCFR

Chairman Wheeler discussed adding Danny Watson from Tatum to the In Memory Of night as he was always a big part of the Fair, served as Dairy Superintendent & yearly supported the kids. Trey Kerby mentioned he would like to keep honorees down to 4 or 5 as he feels it becomes rushed and the ceremony loses the meaning when it becomes rushed. He did not see a problem adding Mr. Watson. Pat Sims asked if it could be reevaluated later, at the beginning of 2021. Chairman Wheeler mentioned there just wouldn't be room to add anymore.

Trey Kerby made motion to approve moving 2020 In Memory & Dedication Honorees to 2021 LCFR & include Danny Watson in 2021 In Memory Honorees. Marcy Butts seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

- Consideration of Approval to renew 2020 Stilt Circus contract for the 2021 LCFR

Chairman Wheeler expressed he would like to renew their contract. He asked GM Kemp if he had been in contact with them. GM Kemp said that he has spoken with them and they are certainly willing to come to the 2021 LCFR.

Pat Sims made motion to renew the 2020 Stilt Circus contract for the 2021 Lea County Fair & Rodeo. Trey Kerby seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 03: DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Discussion of additional small stage acts for the 2021 LCFR

Chairman Wheeler mentioned that he previously spoke with GM Kemp & Pat Sims regarding the Entertainment Budget and it being under budget. He mentioned that he would like to add an additional Small Stage Act in hopes of 2021 being a "bigger and better" show since the cancellation of 2020 LCFR. Kris Allen agreed to proceed with another act. Pat Sims expressed looking into the monkey races or a magician. GM Kemp offered ideas like the street magician, robots, farmer (who was booked for 2020, but might be available for 2021). GM Kemp notified the Fair Board that he would have information for them regarding available small stage acts at the September meeting.

- Discussion of 2021 Lea County Fair & Rodeo Theme

Chairman Wheeler mentioned that he has heard from several about wanting to keep the theme the same; that being "Traditions We Treasure". Trey Kerby liked the idea of naming it "COVID comeback". GM Kemp confirmed that the Commission cancelled the 2020 LCFR, not the 85th so the 2021 LCFR will be the "85th". Pat Sims, Kris Allen, Vivian Flemens and Brian Pointer all liked the idea of keeping the theme as "Traditions We Treasure."

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ITEM 04: OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was discussed.

ADJOURN

Pat Sims made a motion at 6:28 P.M. to adjourn this meeting. Brian Pointer seconded the motion; motion carried unanimously.

Next Scheduled Meeting: September 14, 2020 at 6pm

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