

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL FAIR BOARD MEETING  
AUGUST 10, 1990**

**FAIR BOARD**

Lloyd Baron  
Jeanne Leeson  
Rocky Williams  
John Thomas  
John Meek

**STAFF**

Cal Wade  
Ron McAuley  
Sue Oxendine

**GUESTS**

Vern Shahan

The meeting was called to order at 12 Noon by Chairman Baron. The purposed of the meeting was to decide the options the fair board needs to face should the bond election pass or be defeated.

The board discussed the need to sell the bonds and use the money within a certain time frame if the bond measure passes. They prioritized the three main projects with the Livestock Pavilion and Grandstand to be completed first.

Concern was also raised regarding the upgrading of the 34th Street intersection with lights and the widening of 34th Street.

MOTION: MOVED BY JOHN MEEK, SECONDED BY JEANNE LEESON, TO AUTHORIZE WADE TO WORK WITH THE COUNTY FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT TO SELL THE BONDS AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. MOTION PASSED.

A motion was made by Leeson and seconded by Meek, and later rescinded to authorize Wade to work with the City to get the needed permits to begin construction. The motion was rescinded after a discussion regarding the pros and cons of hiring a Project Manager.

Meek expressed a concern that Wade's PR image would be damaged should he have to start pressuring and haggling the City for permits, etc.

Thomas suggested looking at other counties and fairs who have completed major building programs.

The Boosters should head up the committee to design the restaurant underneath the proposed new grandstand.

Board members discussed the possible need to hire additional staff should the bond pass. Maintenance and office staff will be needed.

MOTION: MOVED BY JOHN MEEK, SECONDED BY ROCKY WILLIAMS, TO DIRECT WADE TO BRING BACK TO THE BOARD AUGUST 22, AT 4:30 PM PRELIMINARY FINDINGS ON PROS AND CONS OF A PROJECT MANAGER VS. AN ARCHITECT. WADE IS ALSO DIRECTED TO WORK UP A PRELIMINARY BUILDING SCHEDULE AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING STAFFING FOR THE PROJECT AND FAIRGROUNDS IF THE BOND PASSES. MOTION PASSED.

Should the bond measure fail the board was united in its commit-

ment to the Master Plan. Board members differed in their views as to what course of action to take if the bond fails. Williams suggested direct solicitation of the business community. Leeson would like to go for another election try.

The fair board will draft a statement for the press stating their reaffirmation and desire to complete the Master Plan.

A thank you party for all those who have helped with the campaign will be held Tuesday, August 14 at 7:30 p.m. in Friendship Square.

**FAIR BOARD WORKSHOP**

A work session is scheduled for Friday, September 21 beginning at 8 AM at the Hallmark Inn.