

MINUTES

Washington County Fair Board

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Washington County Fair Board held Wednesday, February 2, 1983, in the Fairgrounds Office beginning at 4:35 p.m.

ATTENDANCE	<u>Fair Board</u> Charles Colegrove Jeanne Leeson John Love Homer Speer Margaret Sprecher	<u>Staff</u> Adeline Hesse Valerie Bentley	<u>Guests</u> Paul Hering Jaycees Tim Kriek, Jaycees Jim Sanfilippo, Jaycees Roger VanDyke, Pres., Terra Trackers Karen Sims, Sec., Terra Trackers & several club members Tom Feeney, N.W. Truck Pulling Assoc. Ralph Tramp, N.W. Truck Pulling Assoc.
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M.E. ROOF County Counsel received notice that Mr. Duyck has paid his \$375 and has fixed the Main Exhibit Building roof, which completes his obligations. Hesse reported there is still a leak in the roof; however, the Board agreed not to pursue the matter further.

MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY JEANNE LEESON TO INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO ACCEPT AS ADEQUATE DUYCK'S CASH PAYMENT AND MAIN EXHIBIT BUILDING ROOF REPAIR AND DROP FURTHER LITIGATION. MOTION CARRIED.

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A A MOTION: MOVED BY JOHN LOVE, SECONDED BY HOMER SPEER TO APPROVE THE BILLS AS SUBMITTED, THE DECEMBER 1982 FINANCIAL RECAP, AND THE JANUARY 5, 1983, BOARD MINUTES. MOTION CARRIED. (Bills listed on page 2.)

RODEO The Board reviewed the December 13, 1982, Rodeo Board minutes. John Love will be attending the Rodeo Board meetings. Rodeo Court Chaperone Judy Brooks is not getting as much help from the Court this year. They have the opportunity to have Tommy Overstreet play for their dance, but they cannot find a facility large enough.

JAYCEES Paul Hering, past Happy Days Chairman, attended the meeting for present Chairman Don Stewart, Jr. The Jaycees will be using Funtastic Traveling Show for the first time in 1983. Happy Days will open at noon on Saturday, June 25, and close Monday night, July 4. Hesse suggested a rental fee of \$5,800 plus a fee for water use. The fairgrounds is now being billed for water.

In the past the carnival has arrived several days before the Jaycees contract date. Realistically the Jaycees will occupy the fairgrounds from June 23 to July 6.

Hering pointed out that with the bad weather last year, the Jaycees are hurting financially and were hoping the rental fee would be reduced for 1983. The Fair Board understands financial difficulty.

MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY JOHN LOVE TO CHARGE THE JAYCEES \$5,600 (INCLUDING WATER) PLUS \$40 PER KEG FOR BEER SERVED DURING THE DESTRUCTION DERBY, FOR THE HILLSBORO HAPPY DAYS JUNE 23 TO JULY 6, 1983. MOTION CARRIED.

## Bills for Approval

4205	Permapost Products	11.25	Replace damaged post
4206	Russell Dyche	10.00	Mileage
4207	Postmaster	60.00	Postage
4208	Hillsboro Fire Dept.	4.00	Cornell Rd. fire report
4209	Christy's	14.70	Fair Board meeting
4210	Albertsons	16.71	Fair Board meeting
4211	Homer Speer	60.00	Convention mileage
4212	Margaret Sprecher	60.00	Convention mileage
4213	Mike Swan	60.00	Convention mileage
4214	Portland Comm. College	20.00	First Aid class registration
4215	Commercial Locksmith	85.81	Cloverleaf Community Building
4216	Rose City Sound	12.00	Tapes of convention
4217	Pool-Gardner Lumber	170.88	Material for ticket booths
4218	Finance & Administration	19.00	Office expense
4219	I.B.M.	208.00	Typewriter maintenance contracts
4220	Hillsboro Auto Parts	15.55	Water truck repairs
4221	Hillsboro Office Supply	32.07	Office supplies
4222	J. Thayer Co.	16.73	Office supplies
4223	T-Bird Home Center	6.79	Drill bits
4224	Portland Electric & Plumbing	158.81	Milking parlor & swine barn
4225	Addy Hesse	50.00	Car allowance
4226	Valerie Bentley	25.00	Car allowance
4227	Christy's Deli	8.40	Dept. head meeting
4228	Albertsons	4.98	OFA Board meeting
4229	Check 'n Balance	37.50	Bookkeeping
4230	Christy's Deli	12.60	Dept. head meeting
4231	Sundance Trading Co.	50.00	Deposit P.A. equipment
4232	American Dairy Goat Assoc.	22.50	Show approval
4233	Christy's Deli	13.80	Dept. head meeting
4234	Christy's Deli	8.40	Dept. head meeting
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4236	Sundance Trading Co.	200.00	P.A. equipment

The destruction derby will run July 3, and the Fair Board may want to use the grandstand for another event. Hesse will communicate dates to the Jaycees.

Jaycees are considering a teen dance and may want to rent the Cloverleaf Community Building rather than the armory. Hering indicated the Jaycees would be willing to help with beer concession during the fair.

**LONG-RANGE PLAN** The Board reviewed a memo from Lyle Stewart, AIA, AICP, concerning cost of a long-range plan update for the fairgrounds. Hesse used Stewart's estimate in the 1983-84 budget request.

**POLICY** Leeson edited the Fair Board's policy statement on selection of Fair Board members. Since the Board of County Commissioners are currently overhauling their policies, the Fair Board will present their suggestions at the Tuesday, February 8, meeting with the Commissioners.

**WENATCHEE YOUTH CIRCUS** The manager of the Wenatchee Youth Circus has agreed to perform opening day of fair for \$2,500 and will be forwarding correspondence to confirm.

**GREEN THUMB** A Green Thumb area coordinator has requested the Fair Board join the Oregon-Washington Farmers Union. Because of the union's lobbying in Washington D.C., the Green Thumb program was not cut. Currently the fairgrounds has two Green Thumb employees. Although Colegrove opposed joining the union, the Board felt it to be a good cause.

MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY MARGARET SPRECHER TO APPROVE JOINING THE OREGON-WASHINGTON FARMERS UNION. MOTION CARRIED.

**POULTRY DEPT.** Open Class Poultry Superintendent Paul Clark resigned January 13. Hesse has been trying to find a replacement for Clark. If a replacement cannot be found, the Board should consider dropping the Open Class Poultry Show. In 1982 there were 40 poultry exhibitors and 140 exhibits.

The superintendents are the Fair Board's liaison to the public. Poultry Superintendent must be knowledgeable in the care of poultry and responsible for keeping records. Leeson wrote a news article telling about the fair's need for a new Poultry Superintendent. Hesse received no response.

MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY JOHN LOVE TO DROP THE OPEN CLASS POULTRY DEPARTMENT IF A SUPERINTENDENT CANNOT BE LOCATED BY MID-FEBRUARY. MOTION CARRIED.

**TERRA TRACKERS** Terra Trackers President and Secretary, Roger VanDyke and Karen Sims, respectively, attended the Fair Board meeting, along with several other club members. The Terra Trackers would like to rent the east portion of the fairgrounds during Memorial weekend for a 4-wheel drive playday. They have not had a playday for the last two years, but now feel they have the support of local businesses and other club members.

The Club requested use of the area east of the grandstand from Cornell Road to the fairgrounds south boundary and the Main Exhibit Building for a dance.

The area requested by the Terra Trackers is the area that provides hay for the rodeo stock. The Fair Board suggested the Terra Trackers use a two or three

acre area, but the Club felt they could not put on a successful event without all the property requested. The hay is not cut until June and the playday would be end of May. The Rodeo Board does need the hay for stock.

Past rental fees: 1978, \$600; 1979, \$600; 1980, \$650. The Club needs to begin preparing the courses and crowd barriers one month before the event. In the past the admission has met expenses. The Club does not have the funds to replace the hay taken off the fairgrounds. The field does need to be cut close to the 4th of July to eliminate fire hazard for the fireworks.

Love, a Rodeo Board member, and a Terra Tracker will meet to step off the area needed for the event and to discuss concerns. The Club must print tickets by mid-February, so they will step off the area soon.

The Board agreed they wanted to inspect the area after the event to make sure it's in good condition.

MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY MARGARET SPRECHER TO AUTHORIZE HESSE AND LOVE TO NEGOTIATE RENTAL TERMS FOR THE TERRA TRACKERS PLAYDAY MAY 27-29, 1983. MOTION CARRIED.

If the Terra Trackers have to mow the field, they expect not to pay the full rental fee. The Fair Board needs to consider loss of hay and the labor cost to mow the field. Love and Hesse will make a decision.

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Tom Feeney and Ralph Tramp of the Northwest Truck Pulling Association attended the meeting to introduce the Association to the Fair Board. Truck pulling offers local 4-wheel drive owners a chance to participate in a pulling contest. Feeney has been associated with a national truck pulling association for seven years and has started the northwest association a year ago. Feeney is working to put on a show during the Terra Trackers playday. The Board agreed to offer Feeney a reduced rental fee for the grandstand during the Terra Trackers playday for a pulling contest.

The Hillsboro Chamber of Commerce may be interested in a pulling contest as a fund raiser. A pulling contest runs two to three hours. The Board thanked Feeney and Tramp for attending the meeting.

BUDGET  
Speer and Hesse presented the Fair Board's 1983-84 budget request to the Acting County Administrator and Finance and Administration Department head, and they understood the request. Money is extremely tight for the County.

ZONE  
CHANGE  
The Fairgrounds zone change application was on the Board of County Commissioners February 1 agenda as a consent item. Hesse attended the meeting; the zone change application was taken off the consent agenda for discussion because it had not been updated. The Commissioners agreed they needed to meet with the Fair Board to discuss the zone application and future development of the fairgrounds. The Commissioners and Fair Board will meet February 8 at 4:30 p.m. at the Courthouse. County Counsel will have a memo ready explaining legal aspects of commercial development of the fairgrounds.

BOUNDARY  
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Tom Spear, Right-of-Way Coordinator for the County, met with Hesse and Colegrove to discuss the east boundary easement and public vs. private access. Spear will issue a memo explaining the easement and advantages and disadvantages of public and private access.

ADMISSION MOTION: MOVED BY HOMER SPEER, SECONDED BY JEANNE LEESON TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING GATE ADMISSION FOR THE 1983 FAIR. MOTION CARRIED.

Single daily admission

Adult \$3.50  
Youth (6-17) \$1.50  
Under 6 Free

Season

Adult \$10.00  
Youth (6-17) \$ 5.00

4-H/FFA Season Pass

Youth Member \$1.00  
Participating Leader \$2.00  
Parent \$5.00

Tuesday, August 9: Family Day \$6  
Midway ride wristband \$6

Wednesday, August 10: Senior Citizen Day  
Free admission for seniors until 5 p.m.

Thursday, August 11: Western Hat Day  
\$1 off regular adult admission

Hesse will be working on one or two promotion packages in the next few months. The only change in 1983 gate admission is to reduce Family Day and midway ride wristbands by \$1 to \$6 each.

4-H Hesse spoke at the 4-H program night January 24, 7:30 p.m. at Portland Community College. Sprecher also attended the meeting.

FIRST AID Hesse and Dyche attended a first aid class at Portland Community College on January 22. Both passed the written exam and were certified.

MEETING Next regular Fair Board meeting will be held Wednesday, March 2, 1983, at 4:30 p.m. in the Fairgrounds Office.

Meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Valerie Bentley

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Washington County Fair Board  
Regular Meeting  
4:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 2, 1983

1. Call to Order.
2. Public Welcome. This time is provided for members of the audience to comment on any item(s) on the agenda prior to the Board's discussion and decision. It is respectfully requested that those addressing the Board state their name for the record.  
  
Guests: 4:45 Don Stewart, Hillsboro Jaycees. Historical information enclosed.  
5:30 Karen Sims, Terra Trackers 4-Wheel Club. Re: Use of fairgrounds.  
6:00 Tom Feeny, sponsor National 4-Wheel Drive Pulling Contests.
- \*3. Bills for approval (enclosed).
- \*4. Financial recap for December 1982 for approval (enclosed).
- \*5. Board minutes from January 5, 1983, for approval (enclosed).  
  
\* Consent Agenda: Any item may be removed for separate consideration upon request by any Board member or anyone from the audience.
6. Correspondence:
  - A. December 13, 1982, Rodeo Board minutes (enclosed).
  - B. Memo from Lyle Stewart on costs of professional services for fairgrounds planning and development programs (enclosed).
7. Statement on selection of Fair Board members as revised by Jeanne Leeson (enclosed).
8. Paul Pugh will be forwarding correspondence to confirm a Wenatchee Youth Circus opening day performance for \$2,500.
9. Request from Green Thumb to join their parent organization--Farmers Union. Annual membership fee \$20. Director recommends approval as we have two Green Thumb laborers due to the Farmers Union effective lobbying in Washington D.C.
10. Effective January 13, 1983, resignation from Open Class Poultry Superintendent -- need a replacement or need to consider dropping the department for 1983 fair.
11. Update on County budget process by Homer Speer.
12. Fairgrounds zone application will be on the Board of County Commissioners' February 1 agenda as a consent item.

13. Update on eastern boundary easement.
14. Recommendation for 1983 County Fair gate admission:

<u>Single daily admission</u>	
Adult	\$3.50
Youth (6-17)	\$1.50
Under 6	Free

<u>Season Pass</u>	
Adult	\$10.00
Youth (6-17)	\$ 5.00

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<u>4-H/FFA Season Pass</u>	
Youth Member	\$1.00
Participating Leader	\$2.00
Parent	\$5.00

I will be bringing one or two other promotion ideas (packages) to the Board in the next few months. The only change I would recommend in gate admission for 1983 is to reduce Family Day and midway ride wristbands to \$6.

15. Jan Weber, Management Consultant, and I shared program responsibilities for a 4-H program night January 24, 7:30 p.m. at PCC. Vice Chairman Maggie Sprecher represented the Fair Board.
16. Addy Hesse and Russ Dyche attended a first aid class at PCC on January 22.
17. Next regular Fair Board meeting will be Wednesday, March 2, 1983, at 4:30 p.m. in the fairgrounds office.

\*\* If you will be late or are unable to attend, please call 648-1416.