

**Humboldt County Rodeo Board
Agricultural District #3 – Regular Meeting
March 9, 2016**

Board Members Present: Kent Maher, Dave Louk, Dale Owen, Tom Brown, Glynn Montero, Fergus Laughridge and Becky Hill

Board Members Absent: Chris Bengoa

Staff Present: Kim Petersen, Sheree Tibbals and Darrel Field

Others Present: None

CALL TO ORDER

Kent Maher called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. in the West Hall of the Winnemucca Convention Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

Dale moved to approve the minutes of February 3, 2016. The motion passed unanimously with Tom & Glynn abstaining since they were absent.

APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING VOUCHERS

Becky moved to approve the outstanding vouchers consisting of:

\$6,132.12 for Ag District #3 through March 9, 2016

\$11,522.50 for the Indoor Event Center through March 9, 2016

The motion passed unanimously with Kent abstaining on items from Communication Creations.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No public was present at this meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

WINNEMUCCA EVENTS COMPLEX (WEC)

Nothing at this time.

2015/2016 BUDGET REVIEW

At 75% of elapsed time property tax revenue is at 87%, Fairgrounds revenue is at 109% and Event Center revenue is at 46% for a total of 96%. Fairgrounds expenses are at 64% and Event Center expenses are at 57% for a total of 34%. Kim notes that Event Center Revenue is low due to the lost Wrestling Tournaments. The Ranch Hand Rodeo revenue should improve the revenue by the next meeting.

Fergus arrived at this time.

2016/2017 BUDGET APPROVAL

Kim presented the capital item requests for 2016 / 2017.

Kim is proposing requests for \$15,000 for Gates & Panels, \$10,000 for Safety Surveillance Equipment, \$20,000 for a new Pick-up for the Director, \$250,000 to make the Exhibit Hall Restrooms ADA compliant, \$175,000 for a 40' x 60' Shop / Storage Building and \$15,000 for a Utility Vehicle. We will present the budget to the Commissioners on March 28, 2016.

Glynn & Fergus suggested contacting the Reno Rodeo Office for better prices on Utility Vehicles. "Renner" typically sells the used UTV's at a discount after use at the Reno Rodeo in June.

EVENTS UPDATES, REPORTS AND SCHEDULING

a. Ranch Hand Rodeo

Kim reports that the event went well. We had a full Dog Trial event with more than 100 dogs, a higher average Horse Sale Event and about 250 Barrel Racers. All events seemed to run fairly well. We did have a couple of injuries during the Wild Horse Race but they seemed to be relatively minor.

Dave commented that the concessions were terrible with high food prices and very little value. Becky also agreed.

Kim agreed and notes that the Winnemucca Inn will not be doing the concessions next year. He is working with Brenda Wright who is planning to bid on next year's concessions.

Becky also reported a complaint that the Men's restroom was not very clean.

Kim thanked her and will consider adding an extra person to the cleaning crew next year.

Kim commented that the Barrel Racers seemed to make a positive impact on the vendors.

Kim thanked Kent for presenting the Ranch Hand of the Year award.

Dale noted that he had a problem parent of the High School Rodeo Club who made a fuss with several club members and volunteers on Sunday Morning`.

b. Labor Day Events

Kim is working with a Monster Truck vendor who may be able to replace our Truck Pulls for the 2016 Fair.

FAIRGROUNDS REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

Kim reports that the Shade Cloth Framework will be starting this week.

Kim notes that the Gate at the Shower entrance will need to be repaired.

Becky reports that there are struts broken on the covered arena tent.

Dave asked to have some road base delivered to the 4-H Barn. He anticipates 26 Market Steers for the 2016 Show and Sale this year.

INFORMATION, PROPOSALS AND/OR REQUESTS BY BOARD MEMBERS OF STAFF FOR CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

Kim notes that 2017 will be Winnemucca's 100th birthday and asks the board for ideas to market the event throughout the year.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No public was present at this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Dale moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrel Field, Secretary