

Lewis and Clark County Fairgrounds – Fair Board Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2020 – Upper Conference Room – 11:30 am
98 W. Custer Ave., Helena MT 59602

Attendees:

Board members: Phil Porrini, Mark Menke, Kelly Hanson, FayDee Hamilton, Allen Cormany, Greg Pace, Dirk Anderson, and Judy Rolfe.

Commissioner Andy Hunthausen.

Staff: Kevin Tenney, Logan Gustafson, Sandy McIntyre.

Phil Porrini called the meeting to order at 11:30 am.

Approval of Minutes:

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes. Greg Pace made the motion to approve the September minutes, seconded by Dirk Anderson. Motion passed.

Operations Report:

- Kevin Tenney reported on operations:
 - VIP Building-100% finished. Thanks to the Foundation for the \$2000 to finish it.
 - Maintenance has been winterizing and plowing. Also working to remove 7 trees that blew down recently.
 - Full-time Maintenance position was reopened and closes again Oct. 30. More applicants this time.
 - Equipment:
 - Rubber floor mats were ordered for Entry Hall. Purview will pay for them (\$3900).
 - Fairgrounds has purchased a disinfectant backpack sprayer (CARES funds).
 - Fairgrounds is looking at a new floor cleaner that would significantly cut down on labor, potentially paid for with CARES funds).
 - Looking at brush attachment for mower to remove snow for YMCA & Covid Testing. Potentially paid for with CARES funds.
 - Multi-purpose building is set up for riding and we are regularly booking riders.
 - No events are scheduled through the end of the year.
 - The Exhibit Hall will be used by YMCA for school/child care program through end of year.
 - The Entry Hall will be used by Pureview for drive-through Covid testing through the end of the year.
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Financial Report:

- Kevin Tenney reviewed current financials and expected income through end of the year.
 - Income through the end of December is projected at \$220,000. This includes rental fees for the Entry Hall (Covid testing), Exhibit Hall (YMCA), Disaster Services summer Entry Hall Covid overflow setup and tent ground rental since August 1.

Events Report:

- Kevin Tenney discussed events and rentals:
 - 2021 Last Chance Stampede & Fair concert is booked.
 - “Whose Live” is tentatively rescheduled for May 2021.
 - Paint the Town Pink (recurring) cancelled for winter 2021.
 - Will see what situation is in January with the Boat Show.

Other Items:

- Kevin reported that he had not heard back from Northwestern Energy.
- Phil opened the floor to discussion about canceling November meeting. It was decided to cancel November meeting. It was decided to wait and see if there is a need for December meeting, although the Board usually does not meet in December.
- Phil brought Cool Alley examples-one for the poster and one for the Stampede flyer. He suggested that we move ahead with printing posters early next year.

Adjournment:

Mark Menke motioned to adjourn the meeting. Greg Pace seconded. Motion passed and meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.