

FAIRGROUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held at Burrier Building, Fairgrounds, 819 Camano Ave, Langley WA

Friday June 2, 2017 at 2:30 p.m.

AGENDA

May 5, 2017 Meeting Minutes Approval

Meeting Agenda Approval

Meeting Date/Time

Adopt Charter and By-Laws

Port Update

General Discussion

- Each Committee member should take a couple of minutes to provide updates, concerns, and/or goals for the Fairgrounds. Round Robin format?

Action Items

- Any formal correspondence to Port Commissioners
- Others

Old Business

- Horse/Trailer parking for horse shows

New Business

FARGROUNDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

June 2, 2017, 2:30pm @ Burrier Building, 819 Camano Ave, Langley, WA

Present:

Virginia Keck – Whidbey Island Fair

Gwendy Hastings – Member at Large

Gary Gabelein – South Whidbey Historical

Jon Beck – Member at Large

Dominique Emerson – City of Langley

Ed Halloran, Commissioner for the Port of South Whidbey

Cathi Mann-Fisher, 4-H Program Coordinator, WSU Extension/Island County 4-H

Meeting Called to Order by Gary Gabelein

Minutes – Read and approved with a correction.

Approval of the Meeting Agenda, motion made by Dominique Emerson, 2nd by Virginia Keck, motion passed.

Setting the schedule of meetings: The motion, the FAC meetings will be held on the last Friday of the month at 3:00pm and changeable depending on Holidays. Motion made by Virginia Keck, 2nd by Dominique Emerson, motion passed

Charter and Bylaws: After a discussion of the Charter and Bylaws, there were some unanswered questions, a motion was made to table the Charter and Bylaws discussion until Angie Mozer could attend the to advise the committee on the Charter and Bylaws.

Ed Halloran, Commissioner for the Port of South Whidbey– Port update

Horse trailer parking – The decision was made to table the discussion and a sub-committee will be formed to address the issue of horse trailer parking.

Cathi Mann-Fisher, 4-H Coordinator, the 4-H community is working towards going to the Whidbey Island Fair, July 20th to 23rd.

Virginia Keck – Island County Fair Association – Discussed the possibility of using pod for storage and suggestion was building a storage unit. Check into the cost of storage renting or buying a storage container.

Jon Beck, Member at Large – Mr. Beck has a long background with fairs and wanting to see the Whidbey Island Fair be a success and to do a better job. To make sure that information gets out to the people, as an example, what is included in the \$2.00 haul-in fees. To make the fair more consumer friendly. The Antique farm equipment needs to be shown in a more public venue. There is a disconnect between the Port people and the public.

Express some concerns about the upkeep on some of the equipment at the fairgrounds. Mr. Beck made the offer to train the staff on how to winterize the Tender. Tender should show that it belongs to the port.

Dominique Emerson, City of Langley - Concern about zoning and filing the proper permits.

Ed Halloran, Commissioner for the Port of South Whidbey– Mr. Halloran is working on a plan for additional public transportation. Exploring the idea of hiring charter companies to bring people to the fair from both across the sound and from other island communities. There is no parking on the other side of the water for more than 4 hours. The goal is to try to get more people at the fair.

Roxy Taylor, Port property managers – Please email her any questions comments, or concerns about the property.

Gary Gabelein, South Whidbey Historical Society – Raised the possibility of use the area above the horse barn for storage.

New business

Dominique Emerson, City of Langley – We need to get the word out about the FAC and its meeting. This committee work needs to be seen by the public.

Roxy Taylor, Port property managers - The port has hired a new website designer to create a new website. Updates will be easier and get more information out to the public.

Meeting adjourned 4:07pm

Respectfully submitted by Cathi Mann-Fisher Leaders' Fairgrounds Advisory Committee Recording Secretary.

Next meeting will be held on Friday, June 30, 2017, Burrier Building. 819 Camano Ave, Langley, WA.