

**FAIRGROUNDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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

Friday December 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

**AGENDA**

**December 1, 2017 Meeting Minutes Approval**

**Meeting Agenda Approval**

**Port Update**

**General Discussion**

- Tenant Representative and At Large term position end date
- Permanent Committee Member terms
- Other/Roundtable

**Action Items**

- Any formal correspondence to Port Commissioners
- Others

**Old Business**

**New Business**

**FARGROUNDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**  
December 29, 2017, 10:00am @ Burrier Building, 819 Camano Ave, Langley, WA

**Present:**

Gary Gabelein – SW Historical Society  
Gwendy Hastings – Member at Large  
Virginia Keck – Whidbey Island Fair  
Adam Fawcett – Fairground Tenants Representative  
Inge Morascini – Langley Chamber of Commerce  
Dominique Emerson – City of Langley  
Helen Price-Johnson – Island County Commissioner  
Jon Beck – Member at Large  
Angi Mozer – Port Executive Director  
Cathi Mann-Fisher – 4-H Program Coordinator, WSU Extension/Island County 4-H

**Meeting Called to Order @ 10:05am**

**Minutes – Approved**

**Agenda -Approved**

Discussion of re-arranging the Agenda to put Old Business and New Business after Agenda Approval and before Port Update.

**Old Business:**

Angi is working with Pat and Curt to ensure that the story pole is safely taken down. It will be stored on the fairgrounds during the renovations. The removal of the poles will be videotaped by the Tulalip Tribes. There is a possibility of having a local news outlet do a story on the story pole and its renovations.

**New Business:**

Port Update- FAC information will be posted on the Port of South Whidbey website. A new selection with the FAC news will be placed between the Events and Event & Business on the Port Fairgrounds page with a link to the agenda and minutes.

Terms for council positions – Tenant Representative and Members at Large positions would end by September 2018. The permanent members terms will start on January 1<sup>st</sup>. Motion made by Helen Johnson-Price, 2<sup>nd</sup> Gwendy Hasting. Motion passed.

At the next meeting an amendment to the by-laws will be made to reflect the vote.

Individuals interested in the position of Members at Large must apply to the Committee for consideration for the positions.

**Members Round Robin Reports**

**Adam Fawcett – Fairground Tenant Representative** – Has been reaching out to the other tenants to make them aware of the FAC.

**Gwendy Hastings – Member at Large** – Stated that she would like to see more signs warning about the possibility of communicable diseases due to the outbreak of Equine Herpesvirus Type 1

**Virginia Keck** – Discussion of predator perches in an attempt to control the rabbit population.

**Jon Beck- Member at Large** - Would like to see the barns be fitted with sprinkler system and be remodeled to be multifunctional and easy to disinfect. He would also like to see the campground updated and the installation of utilities along the perimeter of the grassy area near the goat barn (Carnival area).

**Helen Price-Johnson – Island County Commissioner** - The county is working on long range planning. Searching for grants for historical properties. Lodge Committee award the Island County Fair Association \$25,000 for promotion.

**Dominique Emerson – City of Langley** – City of Langley is working on overlays for the fairgrounds. Considering bringing small breweries onto the fairgrounds. The fairgrounds are located in the Langley City limits.

**Inge Morascini – Langley Chamber of Commerce** – Working on developing workshops to be given on the fairgrounds. These workshops will be on a smaller scale and feature local small businesses. Building a template on how to create a workshop. An advantage to having workshops on the fairgrounds is people are looking for experiences. Polar Bear Dive on Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> of January. The C of C is working on the Mystery weekend, February 24 – 25, 2018 and it is promising to be a good one.

**Cathi Mann-Fisher – WSU Extension/Island County 4-H** - The Polar Bear Dive is organized by the 4-H Teen Leadership Club and the proceeds are going to support 4-H Leadership projects in the county. 4-H will be holding their 4-H Rally on Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at the Christian Academy on Maxwellton Road. This will be the first year that Island County will be participating in the Northwest District Speakeasy. The Speakeasy is a training for youth members to learn how to do Public Presentations. This is the first year that the training will be delivered by a zoom meeting, zoom meeting in an interactive meeting online. Super Saturday is scheduled for February 24, 2018 and Spring Show, May 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>.

**Gary Gabelein – South Whidbey Historical Society** – Discussed of the possibility of having the Story Pole renovation in the Antique Barn. There is concern about the antique equipment stored in the cabin, the equipment is owned by the SWHS. Possible bus service during fair on Sunday, July 22, 2018

Meeting adjourned 11:25am

Respectfully submitted by Cathi Mann-Fisher Leaders' Fairgrounds Advisory Committee Recording Secretary.  
Next meeting will be held on Friday, January 26, 2018 @ 3:00pm @ the Burrier Building. 819 Camano Ave, Langley, WA.