

FAIRGROUNDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

Friday March 30, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA

February 23, 2018 Meeting Minutes Approval

Meeting Agenda Approval

Old Business

New Business

Port Update

General Discussion

- Other/Roundtable

Action Items

- Any formal correspondence to Port Commissioners
- Others

FAIRGROUNDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 30, 2018, 3:00pm. @ Burrier Building, 819 Camano Ave, Langley, WA

Present	Organization
Gwendy Hastings	Member at Large
Dominque Emerson	City of Langley
Donna VanWetter	WWGA
Sharon Edwards	WWGA
Adam Fawcett	Tenant Representative Member
Gary Gabelein	South Whidbey Historical Society
Inge Morascini	Langley, Chamber of Commerce
Cathi Mann-Fisher	WSU Extension/Island County 4-H
Virginia Keck	Whidbey Island Fair Association
Angi Mozer	Port of South Whidbey
Sieb Jurriaans	Guest
Jane Amata	Guest

Meeting Called to Order 3:04

Minutes – Motion made to accept the minutes as written by Dominique Emerson, 2nd by Gwendy Hasting, motion passed

Agenda - accepted

New Member - Motion made to accept Donna VanWetter as the representative of WWGA as a member of the Fairgrounds Advisory Committee by Virginia Keck, 2nd by Cathi Mann-Fisher, motion passed.

Old Business – No old business.

New Business- –

Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus serotype 2 – Cathi - Information on this disease was provided and the possible problems that could impact the fairgrounds.

Port Report – Angi – The Port has been interviewing for the Fairgrounds Director position. There were about 8 qualified candidates, and as of this time she is interviewing the highly qualified candidates.

Story behind the pole is still being discovered. The Port discussed the plan with the Tulalip tribe on how to bring the pole down to protect from farther damage and work on it. The pole is held by a brace, as opposed to held in place by a concrete pour.

The Port hired an architect to design the new kitchen and the meeting rooms in the Coffman Building. Due to the high projected cost of expanding the Coffman Building (4-H) the plans are being re-evaluated. Exploring the possibility of creating a brewery and tasting room in part of or immediately adjacent to the Coffman Building. If the port moves forward with is idea for the Coffman Building, the 4-H part will be separate from the brewery and there will be separate entrances for both 4-H and the brewery. No access between the two areas.

Roundtable

Gary Gabelein - South Whidbey Historical Society - Raised the question of exactly what is the role of FAC and at what level of input do we have in these areas? FAC want to be involved before things are decided.

1. Hiring of Port employees, who work on the fairgrounds.
2. Remodeling structures on the fairgrounds, like the Coffman Building.
3. Should FAC be on the Port's agenda for their meetings?
4. Requesting copies of the reports going to the Port Commissioners.
5. Should FAC be producing our own reports to be sent to the Port Commissioners.
6. Should the FAC meeting be open to the public?

Concerns

1. The problems with waters damage to the Antique Barn and the needed repairs to maintain the barn.
2. The question of security of the barns and the property kept in the barns.
3. Who has keys to the barns and is it possible to change the locks?
4. Advertising the campgrounds. The fairground campgrounds are the only campgrounds on S. Whidbey.
5. The issue of parking trucks and trailers for the horses

Action: Dominique will summarize the suggestions/concerns for consideration at the next FAC meeting.

Dominique Emerson - City of Langley - The council pass the zoning criteria; the city will put these measures into place. The plan includes more walking and biking in the city center. Working on attaining grants to make the needed upgrades to 1st Street.

Held a 2nd public meeting was held on the issue of parking. Need better signage on parking.

Tourist committee will create criteria on applying for tourism funds. This committee will meet one or twice a year.

East Langley committee – storm development what can be done about storm water.

Tiny Houses- The council is working on zone changes

Art Council – Working on bring additional public art including performing arts to Langley.

Nichol brothers will put up a metal stands in the community w/ info on their boats. Maybe creating a similar stand with info about the fairgrounds.

Inge Morascini - Langley Chamber of Commerce – The Chamber is hosting on Saturday, March 31st, Bunny Day. This is a family friendly event. If you have children bring them down.

Whale watching is in full swing. The Welcome the Whale parade will be held on Saturday, April 14th.

An arrangement with Langley Magazine was made to include an entry card. The information provided by the cards will be put into a data base.

Mystery weekend went very well. The Chamber is looking for an October event to draw the same people who attended the Mystery weekend. Maybe a haunted Langley or a Monopoly weekend with different locations in Langley serving as the game board.

Microsoft contacted the Chamber about creating a luncheon in Langley for 100 of their employees. The Chamber is working on developing other corporate events in Langley like the Microsoft luncheon. Not only does the actual event bring people to Langley and Whidbey Island, but afterwards some of the individuals may come back to Langley for visits.

Cathi Mann-Fisher – WSU Extension/Island County 4-H – The event for 4-H is Spring Show on May 19th & 20th. The Beef/Dairy division will be showing on Saturday, May 19th and wanted to know three things.

1. If the water would be turned on at the Beef Barn.
2. If there can be help from the port on setting up the Livestock Arena for the Beef/Dairy show
3. If there is a location on the fair where they can park their trucks and trailers.

Virginia Keck – Whidbey Island Fair Association – Currently working on lease between the Association and the Port of South Whidbey.

Donna VanWetter – WWGA is willing to work on the arena, the work on Friday isn't enough to get the arena in showing condition. Brooms and other cleaning equipment are needed. There is a need for better signs for haul-in fees for riding at the arena. Becoming a problem with people not paying for using the arena.

A contract is needed for the use of the tractor between the Port and the WWGA. There is a need to have a maintenance person available on the weekend when there are shows and other activities going on. Who do you call when something is broken on the weekend. WWGA is starting their shows on the weekends. April 8th

Adam Fawcett -Tenants Rep – no report

Gwendy Hasting -Member at Large – Contacted the Monroe fair about signage for horses, how to prevent diseases and liability issues. Need verbiage

Meeting ended at 4:47

Minutes respectfully submitted to the FAC by Cathi Mann-Fisher, FAC Recording secretary.
Next meeting April 27, 2018, 3:00pm @ the Burier Building, Fairgrounds.

WHIDBEY WESTERN GAMES ASSOCIATION

Agenda - March 21, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Cliff Hagglund

ROLL CALL: Cliff Hagglund, Kristi Woodward, Sharon Edwards, Melanie Sceva, Ashleigh Casey

TREASURER'S REPORT: Balance - \$1,827.53 There are a couple of memberships to deposit.

Committees -

Royalty - Ashleigh

OLD BUSINESS:

Tax letter for sponsors?

Equipment update - Jodi & Vickie, Cliff & Nicholle

Donations - free entries? Give a certificate, like to Carry Huppach?

Price for donors signs?

Printing new shirts - Nicholle talked with Beth Ryder. She is excited to take on this project.

NEW BUSINESS:

April 8th Show: What do we need to be ready?

Sign up: Nicholle Wilson & Sharon Edwards

Head Judge:

Judges - Breann Edwards, Melanie Sceva,

Head timer:

Computer - "Mumbles" Jason Neil

Raffle or auction?



FYI - 2018 Show dates : April 8, May 5 & 6, June 2 & 3, July September 8 & 9.
O-MOK-SEE - August 11 & 12. (Time Only runs August 10)

Meeting adjourned:

Next Meeting: April 18, 2018