

**FAIRGROUNDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

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

Friday, March 29, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.

**AGENDA**

**Meeting Agenda Approval**

**February 22, 2019 Meeting Minutes Approval**

**Port Update**

- On-Call Engineer
- Coffman Kitchen
- Arena

**Fairgrounds Update**

**General Discussion**

- Other/Roundtable

**Old Business**

**New Business**

- Begin 2020 Budget discussions; list of recommended repairs/projects

**Action Items**

- Review current list of concerns/action items/top priorities to Commissioners
- Any formal correspondence to Port Commissioners
- Others

## Fairgrounds Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes 3-29-2019

**In Attendance:**

V. Keck	Island County Fair Association
Adam Fawcett	Tenants
Dominique Emerson	Langley City Council
Helen Price Johnson	Island County Commissioner
Gary Gabelein	South Whidbey Historical Society, Chair
Gwendy Hastings	At large
Larry Lehtonen	Port of South Whidbey
Stan Reeves	Port of South Whidbey
Sharon Edwards	WWGA
Christi Woodward	WWGA

Gary called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm.

Due to a lack of a quorum at the start of the meeting, the agenda and minutes of 2/22/19 were not approved. A secretary was not appointed until mid-meeting so these are sketchy minutes. – Regrets - Dominique

Helen Price Johnson was welcomed back as the Commissioner's representative and will serve as Vice Chair this year.

**Port Update:**

Black Box Theater exit project awaits a photo cell for light control at main entrance and some wage paperwork settlement. And location of the missing key.

Coffman Kitchen plans received and will be submitted to the city planning department for permitting.

**Fairgrounds Update:**

The port has purchased the groomer. Arena sand addition and grading should be done by 4/1.

New name for the Fairgrounds: Whidbey Island Fairground and Events Center (WIFAEC or WIFEC?)

The port has questions on the obligations of a State designation of Arts District.

Larry needs volunteers to help with a Dinner & Arts Show as a fund raiser.

WIFEC will host as a 2<sup>nd</sup> Stage for Django Fest

A Harvest Fest is being planned.

**General Roundtable:**

**Langley Council:** Passed an ordinance requiring all dogs to be on leash.

Discussion followed regarding signage on fairgrounds, Larry will think about it.

**WWGA** is concerned about the Spring Fair vs Public camping. Stan awaits Fair and WWGA date before he can resolve situation. Discussion of having prepaid sites. Larry points out that all camping sites would have to be numbered, which severely limits the flexibility of having large rigs with horses or just a small car – depending on the event or time of the year.

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

Dominique Emerson will serve as secretary.

Can we use some of the upstairs areas for storage?

Meeting adjourned at 3:50.

Respectfully,  
Dominique Emerson

Next meeting last Friday in April (April 26th)