

FAIRGROUNDS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Held at Coffman Building, Fairgrounds, 819 Camano Ave, Langley WA
Friday, February 28, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA

Meeting Agenda Approval

January 31, 2020 Meeting Minutes Approval

Port Update

Fairgrounds Update

General Discussion

- Other/Roundtable

Old Business

- Dedication/plaques on buildings or facility

New Business

Action Items

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

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In Attendance

Gary Gabelein
Gwendy Hastings
Stan Reeves
Sharon Edwards
Adam Fawcett
Inge Morascini
Wayne Cesaro
Jackie Vannice

Organization

South Whidbey Historical Society, Chair
At Large
Port of South Whidbey – non voting
WWGA
Tenants
Langley Chamber of Commerce
At Large
4-H (interim)

Not Attending:

Virginia Keck Island County Fair Association
Helen Price Johnson Island County Commissioner – non voting
Dominique Emerson Langley City Council

Meeting called to order at 3:03 pm. by Gary Gabelein

Agenda Approved:

Moved by Adam Fawcett, second by Wayne Cesaro

Minutes Approved:

Minutes of January 31, 2020 moved by Inge Morascini, second by Gwendy Hastings

Port Update: See attached report with these additional notes:

Fairgrounds Update:

- Job opening for Fair Director closed on February 21.
- JA Brenner will be developing campground enhancement concepts
- The Creative District designation is expected at any time. The designation may come with a capital grant from the Washington State Legislature; this is being debated in budget talks in Olympia.

General Roundtable:

South Whidbey Historical Society, Chair: (GG) Doors on the Antique Barn need attention. The doors are not aligning properly in the channels.

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Island County: (HPJ) Not Present

4H: Jackie Vannice (interim) gave an introduction. Expects that her position will be filled on a permanent basis sometime in the next couple of months.

Fair Association: (VK) Not Present

Langley Chamber of Commerce: (IM) Mystery Weekend was a big success.

WWGA: (SE) WWGA contract is signed with the Port. Stan and Sharon need to discuss how fees are determined (i.e haul-in fees).

Tenants: (AF) No heat in Burrier bldg. Requests that in the interim the space be insulated. Also, wants to leave the rubber floor mats in place during the Fair; is willing to extend the mats to the walls in order to alleviate tripping concerns from the Fair Association.

At Large: (GH) Nothing to report

At Large: (WC) Supports Tenant request for insulation in the Burrier Building. Can it be done by Port staff with just cost for materials?

City of Langley: (DE) Not Present

Old Business: GH distributed examples of "plaque language". Asked that FAC members review/edit/bring suggestions to next meeting on proposed language.

New Business:

City of Langley representative will become a non-voting member. Bylaws must be changed. Both the City of Langley and Island County positions will be removed from the Vice-Chair rotation and will become ineligible to hold positions on the Executive Council of the FAC. A new Vice-Chair and Recording Secretary need to be appointed by the FAC at the next meeting. A suggestion was made to audio record the minutes and transcribe afterwards. WC volunteered to bring recording equipment to the next meeting and prepare the minutes.

Fairgrounds Maintenance Person: Several FAC members commented that Ben Wooldridge is doing an outstanding job conducting routine and emergency maintenance; requested that this be documented in the minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm

Next meeting Friday, 3 pm, March 28, 2020