

Special Fair Board Meeting

8/7/01

Attendees: Chuck Buchanan, Jerry Herbes, Richard L. Herbes, Debby Schoeningh, John Leonard, Marv Sumner, Fred Cockram, Nellie Forrester, Eloise Colton, Robert Borgen, Howard Britton, Rob Ellingson, Allen Hack

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM. Chuck moved, Nellie seconded, that we approve the minutes of the August 1 meeting. Passed unanimously.

Curt asked Fred to bring us up to date on the stuff he's working on for the upcoming City Planning Commission meeting. He had a rough draft of a site plan from the armory architect. He will be getting a better drawing from the architects before the next Planning meeting. There are some changes that need to be made to the rough draft such as where the fences need to go, and surfaces for some of the parking areas.

Jim van Duyn has decided to bow out of the planning for the fair grounds and will no longer be involved.

The Seniors will need to move the Bus Barn; if they decline to do so, we will move it and keep it.

The county will be responsible for moving the Beef Barn. Rob feels that it needs to be rebuilt as soon as it's taken down so that something doesn't happen to it while it's dismantled. We could put it back up without the siding if necessary.

Marv Sumner was here. Fred asked him for his views of the Elks' concerns regarding the fairgrounds plan. He felt that if the far board fence was removed it would help them. He was also concerned about where the Beef Barn will go because of the access that they need for rodeo stock and for extra seating for their events. Having the new building available for pens, etc., for the Elks' events would be beneficial. Gate positioning will have to be carefully considered.

Demolition of current buildings could start as soon as our conditional use permit is granted. Right now the lease agreement to the National Guard is on hold until the permit is granted.

Fred called for an executive session. All visitors were excused except the press.

Fred feels that we need to put together a job description for our fair manager. He feels that there are some concerns that need to be addressed to keep us above water budget wise.

We need an accounting of where the money was spent and where it came from during the fair.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM. The next meeting will be the regular September meeting at 7PM, Wednesday, September 5, 2001 at 7PM.

Submitted by



Chuck Buchanan, Secretary

Baker County Fair Board