

**Baker County Fair Board
Minutes of May 7, 2008
Board Meeting**

Members Present: Chairman Ron Rowan, Vice Chair Dean Defrees, Mark Johnson, Ann Kniesel, Dan Morris, Rob Ellingson, Tony Britt

Members not present: none

Advisory Board Members Present: Donna Lowry

AB Members Not Present: Janice Cowan

Staff: Colleen Taylor

Others in Attendance: Carl Stiff, Fred Warner Jr, and Bill Taylor

Chair Ron Rowan called the meeting to order 7 PM.

Approval of Minutes: Corrections in spelling for Juan Young in the grants report. Phase II report should reflect Mark as reporting and medal changed to metal. Rob moved that minutes be approved after corrections, Ann seconded and motion approved by board.

Public Comment: Bill Taylor from the Haines Stampede proposed a trade of 22 arena lights and bulbs for chain link fencing stored in the Beef Barn. After discussion, Ann moved that we complete the trade, Dean seconded. Bill also reported that the Haines Stampede and OTEC would reset the gate entry to the arena on Saturday, May 10, at 8 AM.

Old Business:

OMD/General Caldwell: Fred Warner reported that he had met with General Caldwell, General Rees, Paul Evans (Governor's Office for the Military) and Ray Naff of Intergovernmental Relations to discuss the deed swap and inequities of the property values involved. Request presented that will be included in the package sent for budget approval would be a payment of \$475,000 to Baker County, with the deed to OMD motor pool. OMD would also be responsible for moving the compound, building a green space along Campbell Street, Demolish the current Extension Bldg, and pave the parking lot. The total dollar amount requested for budget approval is \$1.7 million. The Governor will be reviewing the budget from September till December and then the budge will presented to Legislature in January. If successful, funds would not be received by county until Spring of 2009.

Grants: Ann reported on the current grant applications. Collins been accepted and will be reviewed in June. The amount request is \$200,000. The USDA grant request of \$27,000 is ready to be submitted. The US Bank, Albertsons, and OTEC ones have been submitted, however, no word received as yet. Under Friends of the Fair, the Juan Young and Sunderland are still being worked on. The preapp for the UPRR has been submitted.

Phase II Funds Report: Colleen gave a report on the funds used thus far for Phase II. The Jeld-Wen funds have not been received to date. Event Center Equipment of this Phase has a remaining balance of \$456.50 for use on the Community Event Center Kitchen supplies. The

total of funds use on the construction project to date is \$356,830.69, leaving a remaining collected fund balance of \$25,055.80.

Phase II Update- Mark reported that permanent doors are in and should be installed the week of the 12th. Other project items will be put on hold until more funds are available.

Arena Improvements- Rob reported that the building permit has been secured and the cement has been poured for the Horse Stalls. The Leadership group will be constructing the shelters the weekends of the 10th and 17th.

Elkhorn Classic – Ron reported that the facilitator of the Classic would be Cassie Sullivan again. Funds are being raised and we will have \$2000 to add to the purse this year.

Show Barn Signage: Dean reported on the building of the signage for the Show Barn: The name of Cockram Arena will be in a word font of Impact and Randy Newman's class will be constructing it.

New Business:

Fair Preparation Update: Colleen reported on the Fair preparation to date. A schedule of events was shared with the board. Entertainment this year will be provided by Marty Davis, "Legends of the Pioneers", "Blue Mnt Old Time Fiddlers, and local talent scheduled by Marilyn's Music.

Budget Resolution Request – A request was submitted to the Commissioners to move \$15,000 from Personnel Services to Materials & Services. This request was to cover unexpected expenses incurred during the current budget year in the amount of \$14,320.84. The expenses are as follows:

Andi Sexton	\$ 7,500.00
Computer	2,533.93
Baker City Herald (bid process)	450.00
OFA Spring Conference	325.30
Baker Copy, Ship & Mail (Phase II)	795.31
Britt Sand & Gravel	2,065.09
DLJ Enterprises (Leo Adler)	430.00
Warranty maintenance Tractor	251.21
Total	\$14,320.84

Financial Documents: Financials reviewed and discussed. Dean requested that the column on the Rental Worksheet titled Amount Donated be changed to Amount Subsidized. Rob motioned to approve the April bills and deposits, Tony seconded.

Other: Next meeting to be June 4, 2008 at 7pm small meeting room of the Extension Bldg. The meeting was adjourned to Executive Session at 8:30 PM.

Respectively Submitted,

Colleen Taylor

Fairground Valuation.

Based on Hyde Valuation 5/31/07

County Values	2.12 ac.	675,000
Land under Show Barn	.77 ac.	<u>100,000</u>
Owed to County.		575,000

If we trade Deeds and B.C. receives
OMD motor pool property (.762)

	<u>\$ 100,000</u>
Net Pymt to B.C.	475,000

We are asking for
to finish project.
less B.C. Pymt.

To ~~the~~ OMD

	1,700,000
	<u>475,000</u>
\$	1,225,000

Need to move Compound

Build Park.

Demolish Green Bldg.

Pave parking lot.