

SAN JUAN COUNTY FAIR BOARD

Meeting Minutes
September 9th, 2022

Opening:

The regular meeting of the San Juan County Fair Board was called to order at 9:00am on Sept. 9th, in person, by Barbara Bevens.

Present:

Barbara Bevens, Jennifer Rigg

Staff: Carlene Balcomb-Bartok, Brandon Cadwell, Angelica Hadeen

Community Members: Christine Minney, Maddie Ovenell, Bruce Rebhan, Kevin Roth, Christy Desermeaux

Approval of Agenda - Approved

Approval of the July 15th, 2022 - Minutes-Approved

Open Forum: Discussion on how many courts Island Rec. could put down this year for Pickleball as it conflicts with the Tennis group that also rents the main building. Board voted to have 4 courts put in with a reevaluation at Dec. 31st.

Directors Message: Christine Minney, Last week Prue Alley was re-opened, Housing Advisory Board increased the Emergency Housing fund from \$6,000 to \$44,000, REET2 funds will be spent on the Lopez skate park and designing of the storm water plan for the Fairgrounds that will include the paving plan, and the Levy Lift (Road Levy) on the November ballot was shared. They are still working on the Aleutian Isle recovery on the Westside and have the 1st of 4 straps on. They should be finishing up next week.

New Business:

FAIR:

Fair Recap: Open to the floor for Discussion on what went well and what could we do better next year. Bruce said he is willing to help fix up some of the older tents and clean up around the back shop. There was discussion on how much of the Fairgrounds was going to get paved. Jennifer asked for a map.

Carlene gave a recap on total numbers of vendors and income. There were 16 total food/drink/parking vendors this year vs. 25 in 2019, but we were only down \$500. Ticket: credit card sales went well, need to push the pre-sales more next year.

Fair Board Members: At this time we are down to 3 Board members, we can have up to 9. This is a volunteer position.

2023 Fair Theme: Discussion on next years theme, there was a list and it was voted down to the top 3. Board will vote again at the next meeting.

Neighbor meeting: Discussion on having a neighbor meeting to get input on having Island Rec. put in a permanent Pickleball court. Island Rec. can move forward with plans until this meeting happens. Maddie said Island Rec.'s Board is still in the discussion stage on whether the Fairgrounds is the best place for the courts. The Fairgrounds is a natural location for parking & restrooms, but the Board has not discussed the plans for a while. Everything is on hold until the Neighbor meeting. That meeting would have to be hosted by the Parks & Fair with Island Rec. there.

Security Check-in: Discussion on security/person to close out an event. Discussion on what to do to make the neighbors happy. Policy changes to have music off by 10pm. Add notice "off at 10pm or they lose their cleaning deposit".

Fee Schedule: Discussion on fees for this coming year. Jenifer asked about what happened with Eagle Cove and Island Rec. this past summer. There was a discussion on how that unfolded with Island Rec. only giving the Parks staff 2 days' notice of using the Park. How things could have been handled better and misunderstandings of how things were handled in the past.

Jenn thanks you: Discussion on what to do for her. Board gave her swag for LOEA during the Fair. A plaque will be purchased for her.

Sponsors thank you: Cards are being printed and Brandon will fill them out. Barbra said she could help.

Old Business:

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 11:25am.

Next meeting will be November 2nd, 2022, at 9am

Minutes submitted by: Carlene Balcomb-Bartok