

**Humboldt County Rodeo Board
Agricultural District #3 - Regular Meeting
May 11, 2016**

Board Members Present: Kent Maher, Dave Louk, Becky Hill, Fergus Laughridge, and Dale Owen

Board Members Absent: Chris Bengoa, Glynn Montero, and Tom Brown

Staff Present: Kim Petersen and Sheree Tibbals

Staff Absent: Darrel Field

Others Present: None

CALL TO ORDER

Kent Maher called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. in the West Hall of the Winnemucca Convention Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES –

Dale Owen moved to approve the minutes of March 9, 2016 with corrections. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF OUTSTANDING VOUCHERS

Dale Owen moved to approve the outstanding vouchers consisting of:

\$10,619.89 for Ag District #3 through April 13, 2016

\$11,685.42 for the Indoor Event Center through April 13, 2016

\$17,932.92 for Ag District #3 through May 11, 2016

\$2,602.41 for the Indoor Event Center through May 11, 2016

The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No public present at the meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

None at this time.

WINNEMUCCA EVENTS COMPLEX (WEC)

a. Covered Arena Structure Status

Kim reported that in April, Humboldt County's insurance company sent an engineer to survey the damage to the Covered Arena. At that time, he only inspected the first two trusses. The engineer returned this month to inspect all the trusses. He found cracks in every truss and that the original sagging truss was worse. The engineer also asked Michael Clay Construction for a price quote to shore up the original sagging trusses. A discussion followed on all the disadvantages of repairing the facility.

Kim said that he has been keeping the County Administrator advised of problems that have evolved due to the arena's closure. Because there is an event scheduled to use the covered arena the first week in June, we are currently in the process of retrofitting the second arena (behind main arena). The old panels have been removed and two light poles are being relocated. We are making it a full size arena to accommodate the events that were contracted to use the covered arena. Because of the loss of the structure,

Kim is planning to submit the expenses of retrofitting the arena to the insurance company.

Kim noted that it will cost approximately \$1.5 million to replace the covered arena. WCVA has committed up to \$800,000 and Ag. District has \$800,000.

Kim said that there are signs posted that the building is closed and structurally unsafe. Dale said he would notify SSIR contestants that the building is off-limits.

2015/2016 BUDGET REVIEW

Kim reported that the Commissioners are not going to reduce or take away .04 tax rate for the Winnemucca Events Complex. Kim distributed copies of current income and expenditure reports. At 91% of elapsed time, property tax is at 125%, Fairgrounds revenue is at 116% and Event Center is at 70% for a total of 112%. Fairgrounds expenses are at 74% and Event Center is at 18%. Kim noted that there is \$800,000 in the Event Center budget that was slated to build an addition, but that has been put on hold.

EVENTS UPDATES, REPORTS AND SCHEDULING

a. Ranch Hand Rodeo

Kim said that he would provide a complete financial report of the 2016 Ranch Hand Rodeo Weekend at the next board meeting.

b. Silver State International Rodeo

Dale said that the association had received the saddles and one horse trailer. He obtained his judges and most of his helpers. Dale said that the RV parking with the sewer hookups will be first come, first served, and that there will be an additional charge for this convenience. Kim said that the new shade cloth for 50 stalls around the fence should be done in a few weeks. There are only 75 stalls not covered at this time. Kim would like to paint the panels. It was suggested to get a price quote from a commercial painter.

c. Labor Day Events

Sheree reported that she has contacted Manuel Souza to produce a Bulls and Broncs show again this year. Kim said that Darrel is still having the truck pulls on Sunday. Darrel is working on getting a band for a "Street Dance" after the Rodeo.

FAIRGROUNDS REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE

Kim said that the base rock was delivered for the 4-H Barn. Eleven new trees were purchased for the RV park, and the crew is working on extending the water line to the trees. He said that the old trees have been trimmed and the crew is spraying for weeds.

Kim noted that the Nevada Division of Water Resources tagged all the wells at the Fairgrounds. Kim contacted them and has filed all the appropriate paper work. He also noted that he has filed all the paper work for NV Energy.

INFORMATION, PROPOSALS AND/OR REQUESTS BY BOARD MEMBERS OF STAFF FOR CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE MEETINGS

None at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

No public present at the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Dale moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:05 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheree Tibbals , Acting Secretary