

Crook County Fair Board Minutes
Fair Board Meeting 5:30 pm- September 14, 2017
1280 S. Main St., Prineville, OR 97754
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- 1) Call to Order- 5:30 p.m.
 - a) Roll Call Board Members (Quorum)- Gail Merritt, Tim Ray, Stanley Flynn, Dale Cummins, Casey Daly (Fairgrounds Manager), Micaela Halvorson (Office Assistant)
 - b) Guests: None
 - c) Approve July 13, 2017 minutes- Dale C. motioned to approve, Stanley F. seconded. Minutes approved.

PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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- a) **Crooked River Roundup Update** Jason shared some preliminary alcohol sale reports from rodeo and races. Whiskey was at \$46,841 and beer was \$55,379.
- b) **Fair/Concert Finances** The concert finances were provided to the fair board. In order to cover the \$30,000 deficit, we did end the year with over \$45,000 that was carried over so there is revenue to offset the concert.
- c) **OID Water Rights- Update** Russ Rhoden was going to drop by the paperwork but he had not shown up by the time of the meeting. The fee is \$650 to move the water rights from under the barns to across the street. Russ does have people that would be willing to buy the rights if we are interested in selling them.
- d) **PARC -Stan Foster- Rescheduled for October Fair Board Meeting**

ACTION ITEMS:

REPORTS:

Tim Ray: We received a letter from Andy Schutz concerning his displeasure in getting 2nd place when he was the only one to enter his honey in the category. Tim has talked to a lot of other bee keepers in the area including a couple that have gone through the same Master Honeybee Keeper program that Naomi Price has gone through. In talking with some of the beekeepers, Tim was able to find out that several of them are not entering items in the fair because of the judge. There are some differences of opinion on beekeeping practices and that is the main issue. Tim's recommendation would be to try a different judge next year. At OFA, one of the round table discussions is finding judges so Micaela will ask the question at that time to try and locate a different judge.

Stanley Flynn: Nothing to report.

Dale Cummins: Nothing to report.

Micaela Halvorson:

Manager Report (Casey Daly): There are no financial reports at this time. Not sure why it is taking so long to receive the reports. The 966 died out back. We have acquired a loader from the state surplus for \$20,000. It is coming out of the reserve fund; it is not coming out of our budget. Commissioner Brummer helped us get that sorted out. We will either sell or scrap the old one. Not sure what the value

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of it is either way. Our Kubota lawn mower is also dead. The recommendation from Midstate Power was to not fix it, it is not worth it. Casey sent out a synopsis of the summer OFA meeting. The overhead water project has turned into a lot more work. We had to hire someone to come out and just scrape the dirt away so we could find the existing pipe. We had to buy a new vault. Jerry, Pat Goehring and Eric Klann with the city came out. They tapped off their 12" line that runs through here that is for the housing development that is behind us and they let us take off a 6" line to the vault. In the midst of all of this, when we shut off the water the backflow device in the vault failed. One night at almost 5 o'clock, Casey received a call about water shooting straight out of the manhole. To even look at the piece that failed, we had to cut the top of the vault off. A concrete cutter came out to cut the top off. FirePro is out fixing it right now, but we need a top to put back on it. Casey had Joe Floyd give him a price for a new top, and the cost was more than a new vault. Casey talked with Jerry about possibly putting the asphalt project on hold to get this issue resolved with those funds. We had the fair debriefing meeting earlier this week and one of the things that was brought up was to move land products into Carey Foster Hall. The Floral building is left unattended at times and there was some mischief this year. It also does not get the same traffic as Carey Foster Hall. They would like to see parking a little different next year. The suggestion was to use the college parking lot for some of the handicap parking and then leave Carey Foster Hall open for other things. They liked the way that vendor parking worked; they would like to move it down a little so that the small animal barn can still park nearby. The other suggestion was that next year's Veteran's Breakfast would be more of a first responder's breakfast instead of just vets. Dale would rather see the first responders serving the vets. Maybe we could ask the first responders to come and serve and then stay for breakfast.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:26 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting Dates: October 12, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m.