

**Humboldt County Rodeo Board
Agricultural District #3 – Regular Meeting
February 12, 2025**

Board Members Present in Person: Kent Maher, Dave Louk, Dale Owen and Fergus Laughridge.

Board Members Present via Teleconference or Videoconference: Tom Brown

Board Members Absent: Chris Bengoa, Becky Hill and Ginny Hawkins.

Staff Present in Person: Kim Petersen and Darrel Field

Staff Present via Teleconference or Videoconference: Charlene Fetterly

Others Present in Person: Don Kalkoske, Humboldt County Administrator

Others Present via Teleconference or Videoconference: None

CALL TO ORDER

Kent called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was presented at the meeting.

MINUTES CORRECTION - APPROVAL

Dale moved to approve the minutes of January 8, 2025 as submitted.

The motion passed unanimously.

WINNEMUCCA EVENTS COMPLEX (WEC)

- a. Determination that certain items are no longer required for public use and approval to dispose of surplus public property.

Kent clarified that this item is for the wheel lines owned by Ag District #3. At this time we are unable to use them since we have covered over most of the pasture land where they were previously used.

Kim reports that Agri-lines guessed the value at \$5000 to \$6000, noting that they are over 30 years old.

Fergus moved to determine that the wheel lines are no longer required for public use and to dispose of the surplus public property.

The motion passed unanimously.

- b. Jeremy Lutz of Nevada Department of Wildlife – Request to receive Ag District #3 property.

Dale moved to dispose of the aforementioned wheel lines by transferring them to Nevada Department of Wildlife, a State agency.

The motion passed unanimously.

EVENTS UPDATES, REPORTS AND SCHEDULING

- a. Labor Day Rodeo

Kim informed the board that it is time to make a decision on our stock contractor and rodeo format.

The board discussed producing a rough stock event with Bare Back and Saddle Bronc Riding as well as Bull Riding. Dave suggested running a long and short go for each event with the desired effect of keeping people in the stands until the end of the rodeo.

Fergus offered to contact the Reno Rodeo to see if there are any partner programs available for participation by our organization.

It is the consensus of the board members present to invite Broken Heart Rodeo Company to produce the event as described above.

No action was taken.

2023 - 2024 BUDGET REVIEW – MODIFICATION

Kim presented the budget report as of 2-10-25. At approximately 58% of elapsed time, Ag District #3 revenue is at 81.57%, wage and benefit expenses are at 65.97%, service and supply expenses are at 57.59% and capital outlay is at 29.63.%.

Event Center revenue is at 130.62%, wage and benefit expenses are at 65.97%, and services and supplies are at 35.14% and Capital Outlay is at 94.96%.

Kim notes that our Temporary Employees and Service and Supplies expenses are a bit high. But overall our budget is in good shape.

No action was taken.

VOUCHERS – EXPENDITURES APPROVAL

Dave moved to approve the outstanding vouchers consisting of the following: \$18,017.26 for Ag District #3 through January, 2025.

\$5,748.56 for the Event Center through January, 2025

The motion passed unanimously with Kent abstaining on items from Communication Creations since his wife operates the business.

INFORMATION, PROPOSALS AND OR REQUESTS BY BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF MEMBERS FOR CONSIDERATION AT FUTURE MEETINGS, INCLUDING COMMUNICATIONS AND DEALINGS WITH OTHER BOARDS AND DEPARTMENTS AND PLANNING AND SCHEDULING FUTURE EVENTS

Kim reports that next year's budget is due soon. Some of the items he is prioritizing follow here:

- \$20,000 to Refurbish the pens under the overhang behind the Event Center
- 10 construction boxes and cords to replace some existing equipment and to reach more places on the fairgrounds.
- Up to \$20,000 to create a Winnemucca Events Complex website.
- \$46,000 for an ABI Dragmasters goomer with water tank and laser level
- Replacement parts for our 40' x 60' tents which pieces of which were destroyed by a storm before the 2023 Tri-County Fair. This is to accommodate the upcoming dog trials in September. He notes that the rental fee being charged to the event should cover a good portion of the cost.
- \$7,000 to \$8,000 for Diesel powered light towers.
- The board advised the Director to purchase a new permanently placed loading chute for the Main Arena.
- Remodeling the Grand Stand Kitchen focusing on available power outlets.
- Remodeling and or replacing the exhibit hall doors.

Kent asked about gates and panels.

Kim replied that we currently have an acceptable inventory of gates and panels.

Dale suggested removing the second gate from the bucking chutes in the main arena.

Kim will examine it again and remove any secondary gate.

Kim invited the board and staff to attend a special proclamation for Ramon on Tuesday, February 18, 2025 at 8:30am.

Kim reports that our upcoming Ranch Hand Rodeo is well positioned to be a great event noting that we have 35 horses consigned to the Horse Sale, 115 Dogs in the Dog Trials as well as full rosters of Teams, Vendors and Barrel Racers.

No action was taken

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was presented at the end of the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Dale moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Darrel Field, Secretary