

Minutes of Meeting
North Idaho Fair Board Quarterly Update
March 17, 2020
3:30 p.m.

The Kootenai County Board of Commissioners: Chairman Chris Fillios, Commissioner Leslie Duncan and Commissioner Bill Brooks met to discuss the following agenda items. Also present was Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present were North Idaho Fair General Manager Alexcia Jordan and Fair Board Chair Jerry Johnson. Commissioner Bill Brooks attended via teleconference.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business (Discussion Items):**

Fairgrounds Master Plan

North Idaho Fair General Manager Alexcia Jordan reported that she had discussed the Master Plan proposal with each of the Commissioners, as well as with Finance Director Dena Darrow. She said Ms. Darrow recommended that she include the Master Plan in her FY21 Budget request.

Ms. Jordan called the Commissioners' attention to the provided quote for the Master Plan, but noted that it did not include additional expenses for an economic impact study or for a market analysis. She stated that she felt those should be done as well, with an estimated total cost of about \$75,000. She added that the feasibility study would indicate events they could attract from other venues if they completed their proposed expansions.

FY21 Budget Request

Ms. Jordan noted that the budget request for FY21 was \$300,000. She remarked that the County's population continued to grow and that the needs of the Fair reflected that.

Upcoming Events

Ms. Jordan reported that scheduled events through the end of April 2020 had been cancelled. She added that about 75% of the cancelled events would be rescheduled. She indicated that they were going ahead as normal with plans for the Fair at this time.

Invite to Judge the Commissioners' Apple Pie Contest

Ms. Jordan said that the Commissioners would receive letters of invitation sometime in July to judge the Apple Pie Contest.

Potential Service Disruptions Due to COVID-19

Ms. Jordan stated that employees who were able to work from home were doing so.

Commissioner Leslie Duncan remarked that there was a possibility of financial relief from the federal government for businesses impacted by the pandemic and urged Ms. Jordan to investigate any that could apply to the Fair.

- D. Public Comment (Discussion):** This section is reserved for citizens wishing to address the Board regarding a County-related issue. Idaho Law prohibits Board action on items brought under this section except in an emergency circumstance. Comments related to future public hearings should be held for that public hearing. There was no public comment.

- E. Adjournment (Action):** Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 3:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

CHRIS FILLIOS, CHAIRMAN

BY: _____
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk
