

**Minutes of Meeting**  
**North Idaho Fair Board Quarterly Update**  
**March 15, 2022**  
**3:00 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 were BOCC Communications Coordinator Jonathan Gillham and Deputy Clerk Tina Ginorio. Also present were North Idaho Fair General Manager Alexcia Jordan and Fair Board Chair Jerry Johnson.

- A. Call to Order:** Chairman Chris Fillios called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.
- B. Changes to the Agenda (Action):** There were no changes to the agenda.
- C. Business:**

**RV Park Update (Discussion)**

North Idaho Fair General Manager Alexcia Jordan reported that the Commissioners would be opening bids for the next phase of development next Tuesday. She said it would be for the third loop, which would include year-round sites.

**Irrigation Plan Update (Discussion)**

Ms. Jordan noted that this project would be mostly grant funded.

Fair Board Chair Jerry Johnson stated that the Aquifer Protection District had granted them about \$30,000 to drill a monitoring well. Due to the cost involved, he said the well would be drilled this year and the pump would be installed the next budget year. He explained that the drilling would cost about \$38,000 and the pump would cost around the same, so they wanted to spread out the expense.

Mr. Johnson said they planned to use the well for irrigation at the RV Park. He remarked that they had to use City water right now and were required to pay sewer fees based on the amount of water drawn, which was very expensive.

In response to a question from Commissioner Leslie Duncan, he said the City officials had changed their minds and would now allow them to put in an outflow device to measure the actual, billable sewer outflow, but they would have to pay another \$15,000 cap fee, so they decided against it.

**Fire Station Update (Discussion)**

Ms. Jordan said that they would break ground on the project in about 30 days.

Mr. Johnson predicted that it would take eight to twelve months to complete.

**Master Plan Progress Update (Discussion)**

Ms. Jordan said that there had been talk of relocating the Fairgrounds, so she had asked the Master Planners to provide some estimates of how much it would cost to relocate their 200 acre facility.

Chairman Fillios remarked that he had no plan to move the Fair at this time.

Mr. Johnson commented that the cost of a new facility would be “astronomical.”

**Fair Planning Update (Discussion)**

Ms. Jordan reminded those present that the theme of the Fair this year would be “Salute to a Century,” in celebration of their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. She said it would also be a 100 year anniversary for 4-H, so that would be blended in. She announced that they were working with the Museum of North Idaho to create a commemorative book. She added that the County Concert tickets would go on sale tomorrow morning to the fan clubs and then to the general public on Friday. She predicted that new announcements would be revealed about every two weeks, going forward.

Ms. Jordan stated that they were actively recruiting volunteers for various projects at the Fair. She indicated that FFA (Future Farmers of America) would be joining them this year, for the first time. She also said that, instead of the fireworks show, they were going to offer a drone light show, also for the first time.

**D. Public Comment:** 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 were no public comments.

**E. Adjournment (Action):** Chairman Fillios adjourned the meeting at 3:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

JIM BRANNON, CLERK

BOCC SIGNATURE

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tina Ginorio, Deputy Clerk