

WHITE PINE COUNTY  
NEVADA AGRICULTURAL DISTRICT 13  
MINUTES OF JUNE 9, 2021

**Members Present**  
Kathryn Brunson (Chairman)  
Bill Panagopoulos (Co.  
Chairman)  
Pete Mangum  
Tabatha Hamilton  
Martin Troutt  
Travis Godon

**Members  
Absent**  
Danielle Foley  
Karen Wines  
Jimmy Jordan

**Guests Present**  
Kayla Couch (Secretary)  
Shane Parman

**A. Call to order** - Called to order at 6:02 pm by Chairman Kathryn Brunson.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance** - 6:02 pm

**C. Public Comment Period** – Tabatha Hamilton informed the Board that June 10<sup>th</sup> is the last day to submit purchase orders.

**D. Approval of Agenda/Flexible Agenda** (for possible action) - A motion was made by Martin Troutt to approve the agenda/flexible agenda, Bill Panagopoulos seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

**E. Review and Approve Minutes** (for possible action) - A motion was made by Pete Mangum to approve the minutes for the May 5, 2021 meeting. Travis Godon seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

## **F. Reports -**

**a. Financial Statements** – Financial Statements from Tabatha Hamilton and Courtney Thornal via email.

**b. Budget** – Bill Panagopoulos asked if he received the final word on the budget. Tabatha Hamilton said she could ask Elizabeth Francis for a copy and send it to the Board. Travis Godon replied that nothing more was requested of the Board. Kathy Brunson announced that she had misunderstood how the Horse Race Committee's funding was set up in the budget. She had thought that the \$30,000 and the additional \$25,000 was placed into one account. It was explained to her that the \$30,000 was set up in the account currently but the additional funding would come from what was left over from budget line item. She explained that Elizabeth would augment it after the first of July. Martin Troutt recalled total funding being \$50,000 and not \$55,000. Kathy said she was certain that it was \$55,000.

**c. Updates from Tour and Rec.** – Kathy Brunson spoke with Kyle Horvath and he requested that the Board send in the information for fair weekend and that he would take care of the advertisement.

**d. Updates from Commission Liaison** – No new reports.

**e. Updates from White Pine Horse Races** – Kathy Brunson reported that they just had a meeting and there was confusion on the freezer. Marietta recalled that freezer belonging to the Ag. Board. Kathy said that the Ag. Board would be purchasing new freezers that would come out of the \$55,000 allotted to the Horse Race Committee. She also informed the Board that they would be responsible for any maintenance and repairs for the new freezers as they will belong to their committee. Bill Panagopoulos agreed. Marietta also asked what the funding could be used for. Tabatha Hamilton responded that it could be used for whatever desired except for prize money.

**f. Beta Sigma Phi**- No new reports.

**g. Updates from White Pine Ranch Rodeo** – No new reports. Change line item to White Pine Productions.

**h. Fireman's Dinner**- No new reports.

**i. Updates for 4H** - No new reports.

**j. Updates for Jr. Livestock-** Pete Mangum reported that everything is on track.

**G. Garden State Fireworks entertainment for Fair and Horse Race Weekend** (for possible action) – Kathy Brunson brought to the Board's attention, that the Board never officially voted on pursuing the firework display (per Bill Calderwood). Kayla Couch explained that she had gone through the previous meeting minutes and confirmed that it was not voted on. The Board however did vote to budget in \$12,000.00 for the funding of the display. Martin Troutt also reviewed the past meeting minutes and did not see that the fireworks as a motioned event. Martin asked if the Ag. Board was solely paying for the event. Tabatha Hamilton responded saying that Michael Couch offered to collect partial funding for the firework display, but the Board had requested that he didn't due to the overwhelming collection of donations from the community to put on the Fair weekend. Bill Panagopoulos confirmed that the Board did in fact turn down Michael's offer and that the \$12,000 the Board agreed on came from Michael's proposal packages he provided to the Ag. Board. Kathy Brunson announced the two permitted locations for the firework show. The first option being the city landfill and the second being the JCR Development property. Bill asked if JCR did approve the location. Kathy replied "yes", and that Michael had sent her an itemized break down of the event and costs. Kayla Couch said she would have that submitted to Elizabeth Francis. Bill Panagopoulos wanted to get clarification on required break down information for contracts vs. sponsors. Bill Panagopoulos moved to approve the spending of the \$12,000 on a firework display at the end of the Fair weekend. Travis Godon seconded the motion, Tabatha Hamilton abstained, and the motion passed.

**H. SNPLMA** (for possible action) – Tabatha Hamilton reported that on the meeting of May 12<sup>th</sup>, all three projects submitted to SNPLMA were recommended for funding. She announced that there was a 99% chance that the project will be funded and a 1% chance the Secretary of Interior could refuse to sign off on the project. Tabatha said that the official decision will be announced in September 2021. Bill Panagopoulos and Kathy Brunson shared their excitement on the news with the Board. Shane Parman asked where the event center would be constructed. Bill explained that the event center would be erected in the current parking area near the butler building.

**I. Correspondents** (for possible action) – Financial statements from the county.

**J. Payment of Bills** (for possible action) - \$300.00 for secretary services for the months of May and June. Travis Godon made a motion to approve the bills, Bill Panagopoulos seconded the motion and the motion was carried.

**K. Capital Improvements** (for possible action) – Tabatha Hamilton announced that there are two grants that the Ag. Board would qualify for. The first one being Outdoor Recreation Facilities for a total pot of \$45,000 and the second being Capital Improvements for a total of \$55,000. The Board suggested the Barn. Tabatha recommended that Board choose a project outside of what has been budgeted. Kathy Brunson said the Horse Race Committee asked about expanding the corner of the racetrack. Martin Troutt mentioned holding off on the track with the possible SNPLMA funding. Pete Mangum suggested that a cover over the show arena would be a good project even if it was a retractable design. The Board agreed the 4H area could use the upgrade.

**a. South arena improvements-** No new reports.

**b. Highway signage** – No new reports.

**c. Multi-use livestock barn** - Bill Panagopoulos said he requested another quote but has not heard back yet.

**d. Type 2 material for south arena and parking area** – Martin Troutt reported that the improvement will start after July 1<sup>st</sup> with consideration of his schedule unless the project was contracted out.

**e. Upgrades to the concession stand** – Tabatha Hamilton asked about the cleaning of the fans. Shane Parman reported that they were super dirty and would do what he could to clean them up before the fair.

**f. Discussion on upgrades to the upper corrals and continuous fencing around the area.-** Bill Panagopoulos suggested tabling the item until the Board hears back from SNPLMA.

**L. Future Agenda Items (for possible action)** – Change Ranch Rodeo item to White Pine Productions.

**M. Next meeting date** (for Possible Action) – Anticipating the next meeting to be

scheduled on the date of July 7, 2021.

**R. Public Comment Period** - None

**S. Adjournment** (for possible Action) - Kathryn Brunson adjourned the meeting at 6:36PM.

WHITE PINE COUNTY  
FAIR AND RODEO GROUNDS ADVISORY BOARD  
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**A. Call to order** - Called to order at 6:36pm by Chairman Kathryn Brunson.

**B. Public Comment Period** - None.

**C. Approval of Agenda/Flexible Agenda** (for possible action) - A motion was made by Bill Panagopoulos to approve the agenda/flexible agenda, Martin Troutt seconded, and the motion was carried.

**D. Review and Approve Minutes** (for Possible Action) - A motion was made to approve the minutes for the May 5, 2021 meeting by Martin Troutt, seconded by Bill Panagopoulos and the motion was carried.

**E. Reports** (for possible action) -

- a. Update on High / Jr. High School Rodeo-** Bill Panagopoulos asked if the rodeo team was on track for the event in September. Pete Mangum reported that the livestock barns still have not been cleaned out. Pete said he has reached out to Kent a couple of times regarding the cleaning. Shane Parman mentioned that all the rentals have been cleaned but was unsure about the 4H area. Shane mentioned that the

rodeo team allowed contestants to Board horses in the show arena causing minor damage to the grass. The Ag. Board was disappointed that the show arena was used for boarding. Kathy suggested locking the arena for future events. Kathy feels the subject should be addressed along with the cleaning of the areas used. Bill Panagopoulos said the High School Rodeo inquired about putting up portable panels in the sage area or near the trailers. Bill's thoughts were - no to the portables. Kathy said they need to bring those items to the board. Tabatha Hamilton suggested using the grants for portable panels. The other members felt the 4H area was higher priority. Pete Mangum said that he would lock the arena in the future to prevent unauthorized use. Kathy said she would address these concerns along with the cleaning of stalls for travelers when the rodeo returns in for the September event. Shane said he would like to lock the monthly stall as travelers are not using the designated stall in their agreements. Bill also wanted to add a deadline to stall cleaning when the High School Rodeo approaches them again.

- b. Update from the Maintenance Department** – Shane Parman reported that he has been keeping everything updated. Martin Troutt updated the Board on equipment. He said the large water truck is in for repairs for leaks and that the road department had used the small water truck. Martin said the hours used on the water truck by the road department will go toward equipment trade. Shane asked if anything needs to be addressed by the Board. Martin mentioned the upcoming motorcycle rodeo and the cleaning of the concession and bar area. Pete Mangum voiced thoughts on possible debris from the event left in the arena. Bill Panagopoulos encouraged the Board to look over the contract for events to caution potential damage. Travis Godon recommended that non equine events go through the Board for

approval. Kathy suggested the item be on the next agenda for discussion.

**c. Safety Issues-** No new reports.

**d. Special Events** – Motorcycle rodeo, roping and barrel races. The ICS program and White Pine Gymkhana were both cancelled.

**F. Future Agenda Items** – Discussion on non-livestock/equine event approval. Volunteer hours in lieu of discounted rates on stall rentals.

**G. Public Comment Period** – Tabatha Hamilton asked if she could exchange volunteer hours at the fairgrounds in trade for a discounted rate on her monthly stall. Bill suggested adding this as an item on the next agenda.

**H. Next Meeting Date** (for possible action) - Anticipating the next meeting to be scheduled on the date of July 7, 2021.

**I. Adjournment** (for possible Action) - Kathryn Brunson adjourned the meeting at 6:58pm.