# KITTITAS COUNTY EC STUDY SESSION MINUTES BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 108 - ELLENSBURG Regular Meeting

WEDNESDAY 10:00 AM March 10, 2021

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith (via Webex), Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz (via Webex)

**Others:** Event Center Director Kady Porterfield (via Webex), Event Center Program Manager Lacie Dawson (via Webex)

1. Call to Order: Chairman Wachsmith called the meeting to order at 10:00am

# 2. General Event and Rental Updates

With the Ag exemption surround COVID-19 event restrictions, we are able to host a dog show in April/May. They are a long-time client and have booked with us through 2027, so we really want to be able to host them. Kady is working with Darren to move the COVID clinic for 2 days to allow for the show. We are also going to be hosting a small wedding per the current guidelines.

### 3. Self-Promoted Events Business

The Fair Board is currently working through the restructure of the livestock sale committee and the planning has been going very well. Kady is coordinating with the Fair Board to work on plans and modifications for the 2021 Kittitas County Fair.

Kady is also working with our event promoter agent to see what our options are for the Patriot Night concert. If phase 3 happens, the concert may be able to take place. Kady is still working on the food and alcohol sales portion to be sure it is financially feasible to have the concert. The fees for LCB are being waived by the state this year, so that is helpful.

# 4. Special Projects

The tent bids will be reviewed next week. The cheapest bid met the specs, the more expensive ones did not.

Kady is working with Dan Morgan on the Rodeo Board's punch list. New logs for the Western Village gates have been located. KVEC will supply the labor to install them, the Rodeo Board will cover the supplies. The buckaroo stands repairs are to begin Monday.

Chairman Wachsmith asked when Colockum is to be demolished. Per Kady it is scheduled for early April but is waiting for confirmation from Patti.

## 5. Other business

Kady was selected to be an International Association of Fairs and Expositions (IAFE) Ambassador. The term is for two years and the IAFE will help to fund the travel expenses, if any, for Kady to visit other fairs and events to help promote our industry while learning from other organizations. This will also help promote the Kittitas County Fair as she will represent us in her work as an Ambassador.

Meeting adjourned at 10:11am.

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman