

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING**

THURSDAY

1:30 P.M.

OCTOBER 11, 2012

Board members present: Chairman Alan Crankovich, Vice-Chairman Obie O'Brien and Commissioner Paul Jewell.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Matt Anderson, Facilities Maintenance Director; Bob Kelley, Ellensburg Rodeo Hall of Fame; Fair Board Members: Roylene Crawford, Jessie Blackwood, Becky McDowell, Heather Harrell, Bob Martin, Bill Boyum, Wilma Pratt, Bill Allison, Brian Lenz, Jerry Jarnagin and Kelly Schademan, Ellensburg Rodeo Board Member.

SPECIAL MEETING NEW RODEO TICKET OFFICE/HALL OF FAME COMMISSIONERS

At 1:30 p.m. Chairman Crankovich opened a Special Meeting to discuss the concept of building a new Rodeo ticket office/Hall of Fame building at the Fairgrounds.

Bob Kelley, representing the Ellensburg Rodeo Hall of Fame, explained how they had been working closely with the Rodeo Board in the past and hoped to continue to have a collaborative effort between the two of them with such a project. He explained how the artifacts they have collected over the years have been stored at the Central Washington Archives building and they would like to explore the idea of having a facility built for them along with a Rodeo ticket office. There were suggestions and comments on possible locations to locate a building. Mr. Kelley said the building would need to be climate controlled with an area to work on putting things together and of course a place to display items. He was thinking they would need a building approximately 6,000-8,000 square feet plus parking.

Kelly Schademan, Ellensburg Rodeo Board Member said while they do have other things they need to put money towards as well, they feel the proposal from the Hall of Fame would benefit a lot of people. The Ellensburg Rodeo ticket office has been running out of space in their current location with the Chamber of Commerce. Becky McDowell, Fair Board Member reminded everyone that the Fair will need to use property in the area to help alleviate the overcrowding issues they currently have.

Mr. Kelley said as long as the property could be obtained, they would look for funding a building with grants and capital contributions from both the Hall of Fame and Rodeo Board.

The Board felt it was important for every stake holder to be involved in future planning where they can all discuss their needs. Meetings will begin some point after January 2013.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:55 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD



Julie Kjorsvik

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Alan Crankovich, Chairman