

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

MONDAY	10:00 AM	April 24, 2023
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Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright, Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith,
Commissioner Laura Osiadacz

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

1. Call to Order: 10:01am

2. Citizen Comments (1 min. time limit): None

3. General Event and Rental Updates: KVEC just completed Elementary Ag Education Day. During the 2-day event, all 3rd grade classes in the county came out to learn about agriculture. It's an event KVEC really enjoys hosting each year and is put on by the Kittitas County Conservation District. There was lots of great media coverage of the day.

Staff is hard underway on getting the grandstands cleaned and ready for the big 5-Header Roping the first weekend in May along with Bares and Broncs later in the month. There will be a large quilt show this weekend in the Expo Halls too and it's nice to have them back after the pandemic shutdown.

4. Self-Promoted Events Business

* **Fair Board Updates:** Friends of the Fair would like to purchase stall mats for the draft and light horse barns. They would like to see if there is a cost-share that the county would like to participate in. After discussion, the BOCC would not support providing additional funding toward the project and would like future project requests to be discussed during the budget period. Kady stated that KVEC will provide the labor at no charge to at least do the installation if Friends of the Fair completes the purchase of all materials and equipment.

The Chamber of Commerce and Ellensburg Rodeo will be renting tour buses for \$10,500 per bus to shuttle from the hotels to the grounds. Fair also has an opportunity to rent a bus, it is not budgeted for. Kady is proposing to the Fair Board to look at finding sponsor money to help support this special effort.

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*** Patriot Nights Under the Lights Updates:** There is a lot of excitement on social media for the concert. The marketing has been outsourced this year and they have been doing a great job of getting information out. Kady is working out the final details for the contract for the fireworks show. Kady requested permission from the BOCC to put a Patriot Night banner on the courthouse lawn. Request was approved.

5. Review Proposed Fair Board Bylaws Changes: Proposed changes were reviewed by the BOCC. Commissioner revisions were made in the following areas:

- Article III
- Article V
 - Section 2
 - Section 3
- Article VII
 - Section 1
 - Section 3
 - Section 6
 - Section 7
- Article VIII
 - Section 3
- Article IX
- Article X
- Article XI
 - Section I
 - Section III


Kady will make a clean version of the bylaws with updates/corrections and send them to the BOCC as well as the Fair Board President for approval at the May Fair Board Meeting.


6. Special Projects: Rock picking is happening in the Rodeo Arena and Bloom. Kady plans to use some of the budget saved from the Alder St paving project to replace the rodeo arena log entry on the 7th Ave side (they are leaning badly and need to come down).

7. Approve PSA with Central Paving: Discussion: bid came in at \$54,197.83 (including sales tax), which is under budget. Commissioners expressed that they were happy to hear the

job came in under budget. Vice-Chair Wachsmith made a motion to approve the PSA with Central Paving. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

Meeting concluded at 10:43am.


Kady Porterfield

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Cory Wright, Chairman