

Broadwater County Trust Board Meeting
7/11/23
11:30 AM in the Flynn Building

Board Members: Steve McCullough (Chair), Kim Kondelik (VC), Virgil Binkley, Doug Breker, Al Christophersen

Commissioners: Lindsey Richtmyer

Guest: Jason Noyes

Admin. Assistant: Aubra J. Lewis

Steve called the meeting to order at 11:35 AM.

Public Comment: Jason Noyes presented an update and review on the Fairgrounds project.

- Structure is up and they are finishing the dirt work
- 4-H has raised a little over \$60,000 toward the project/county \$100,000/Trust \$300,000
- Contract bid price was \$388,000
- Electrical has been a challenge
 - There is difficulty in finding a 400-amp service
 - Eventually there will be lights and electricity – Jason will continue to work on that. He has reached out to two electricians to give bids and Northwest Energy was contacted. Currently an extension cord will be used.
- The show ring has been purchased
- They are hoping to add a sound system
- If funds are raised above and beyond, Jason would like to give it back to the board
- An idea for a LWCF grant were given that requires a 50/50 match
 - It was mentioned that grant was used with the school and there was some difficulty
 - Other grants have been researched

Jason invited the Board to the Buyers dinner at the Fairground on August 5th. Dinner is at 3:00 and sale is at 4:00. There will be recognition of the people who helped with the Pavilion project

Commissioner Richtmyer update:

- Informed the board that it was decided that the picnic tables stay at the Silos.
- Non-voting members need to have a letter and be voted in by the board
 - One person is interested and will be contacted to see if there is still interest and put on the agenda as an action item for vote
- Discussion on picnic tables and docks
 - Docks will be for sale in the Fall – Commissioner Richtmyer will check
 - Has to do with funding – Rocky Mountain Docks are also interested
 - BOR update:
 - Citizen Action Group continues to communicate with BOR
 - BOR received money for the Silos
 - Will install several vault toilets
 - Creating a design team to review a Master Plan
 - Weed Board - Flea beetles were released for Leafy Spurge
 - Discussion on whether the county is working with the BOR

- Discussion on how the Trust Board can be included to help facilitate the holding of funds for the BOR projects while they do the projects

Minutes: The June 13th meeting minutes were presented. Lindsey Richtmyer made a correction to her name. Kim made a motion to approve the minutes with the correction. Virgil seconded this motion. No discussion. Motion passed with 3 votes in favor, 0 against and 0 abstained.

Claims: No claims at this time

Financial:

- Premier Trust Account amount - \$2,876,389.85
- County Cash Account amount - \$329,408.33

Withdrawal of Premier Trust Account: The Premier Trust Account is above the \$2,750,000 threshold, there was discussion on whether to withdraw funds from the Premier Trust Account to the county account. Due to the current market and its volatility, there was concern about leaving it in the Premier Account at this time. It was suggested to take out \$100,000.

- Virgil made a motion to move \$100,000 from First Premier Account to the Trust Board County Account. Doug seconded. No discussion. Motion carried unanimously.
- An official letter will be drafted, signed, and sent to the Commissioners.

Holloway Park: Discussion on sidewalk that the city denied.

Silos: Esther got the contract and is currently running everything. She has a one-year contract with an extension option. They are working on a long-term concession contract. Launch fees go to Esther. Final Kiosk payment will be the Spring of 2024.

Search and Rescue: Question about the BLM 10 acres for the Search and Rescue Building – did not happen.

- Clarification on BLM and lands and requests
 - Gun Range – request
 - County/fire board to make a request and map for use of acres that Ed Shindoll is working on
 - Request for an expand right of way on the Silos Road

Open House: No open house for the Fairgrounds will be done at this time.

Next meeting will be August 8th at 11:30 AM in the Flynn Building.

The Trust Board then travelled to the Fairgrounds with Jessica Erickson to get a tour of the new facilities.

Steve adjourned the meeting 12:30 PM.

Broadwater County Trust Board Voting Members: Steve McCullough, Kim Kondelik, Doug Breker, Al Christophersen, Virgil Binkley. Commissioner: Lindsey Richtmyer

Chair _____ Date _____

Administrative Assistant _____ Date _____