MORROW COUNTY FAIR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, May 13, 2026, 6:30pm
Don Adams Conference Room – Irrigon Annex, 205 NE Main St., Irrigon, OR 97844

In Attendance:

Chair: Shelby Schoenfelder
Board Members: Keira Klein, Brittany Szasz, Jaylene Papineau
Fair Manager: Tylynn Cimmiyotti
Assistant County Administrator: Vince Guerrero
Others present: Makenzi Evans, Raymi Cain

CALL TO ORDER: by Shelby Schoenfelder at 6:32pm

Reports:

- 4H Report –
  - Additional panels and a new ring are expected to arrive in the last week of June.
  - Exhibitor packets are being prepared; and will be sent around July 15.
  - Livestock fitting may occur outside this year due to the number of animals.
  - 4-H is working on securing a generator.
- Maintenance Report
  - Discussion about the old red tractor. There are issues with the old red tractor. The fair board was being asked what they would like to do with the old red tractor. The county wants to get rid of the tractor. Should we keep it or sell it.
- Administrator Report
  - There were comments and concerns about information for this year's fair.
  - A question about the grants for the fair and when are we going to move forward with some of the projects was asked. There are multiple grans that we have for the fairgrounds. The larger grant we have there is a flood mitigation process we need to go through. This process should be happening next fiscal year.
  - Two Amazon grants have been submitted. No news on this yet.
- Queen Update:

    - No news on the queen
- Rodeo Report:
    - No news
- Additional Reports
    - Donita Council talked about youth dance lessons at the fairgrounds. They are asking for rental discount in order to host the program. This would be a 5 to 6 week program.
    - There are a bunch of guys from the Elks who want to put together an adult softball league and use the football field. There are no fees set for use of the football field.

Fair Updates:

- Revised By Laws sent to the BOC for approval at the last BOC meeting. There was approval to extend the board to 6 auxiliary members. 4 Adults and 2 students
    - We will need to advertise for the positions in the newspaper and the county website. Advertise during the fair.
- Ribbon Order is complete. We can ask about expedited shipping.
- 4h Judges contracts were discussed
- Entertainment contracts were mentioned
- Vendor contracts and camper contracts should go out starting next week.
    - Camping preregistration
- Premium Book – Open Class animal changes Peewee showmanship.
- Tylynn mentioned she had a meeting with serval of the superintendents.
- Print outs of some pages of the premium book were handed out
- A discussion about the number of premium books to order was had
- Discussion regarding the number of premium books to print and how long it will take them to print the book
- Catering services discussion – price point was mentioned
- Wranglers use and discussion to place – maybe they can help setup at the fair
- Tillamook Grilled Cheese Truck will be at the fair
- We have a caricature artist a the fair Thursday and Friday

- Teen Dance Saturday
- Volunteers from Umatilla Electric and Amazon – volunteers helped at the tractor pull – Ag Olympics was also mentioned – maybe help setup for the sponsor dinner
- Volunteer Coordinator was discussed – we are committing to having volunteers and so we need to have a plan in place where we can put people – do we need runners? -
- Floriculture gal will not make this year's fair – she is till able to help on Monday but not for Tuesday
- Job Descriptions were asked for regarding the positions and areas where we still need volunteers – creative kids needs volunteers
- Silver Creek Construction project was mentioned – what projects are being planned? – Locates have been done.
- Parking discussion. Parking was a huge issue last year. – Tony suggested giving out parking passes – If you do not have a pass you cannot park in the fairgrounds area. – Maybe have the Couth County Seniors help us out with shuttling and parking. – Use the donated gold carts to shuttle people back and forth – it's going to be different because we don't have the rodeo – maybe park at the school – No trailers parking in the lower lot – Will campers be staying on the football field for 2 weeks, no – A discussion about Rodeo using the football field. – Tony mentioned that he and Braxton could maybe take on the shuttling and parking – Tony can reach out to a neighbor down the road about parking – Senior parking was mentioned – vendors had a hard time unloading because of the traffic – Designate a spot for vendors to unload – Parking passes was mentioned again -
- Vendor discussion – Food vendors – who's coming – Burger truck – funnel cakes – there have been issues with the Snack Shack hood –

Meeting Adjourned 8:09 pm