



GARFIELD COUNTY FAIR BOARD AGENDA SPECIAL MEETING

Garfield County Fairgrounds and Events

South Hall

1001 Railroad Ave

Rifle, CO

Tuesday, May 27, 2025

6:30 P.M.

Join Zoom:

Mission:

The purpose of the Fair Board is, in collaboration with Garfield County Administration, to ensure the successful promotion, production, and execution of the Fair each year.

The Fair Board shall ensure Fair programming is of high quality and that programming improves annually, as needed.

Fair programming:

- Shall embrace all ages, persons, cultures, and entities within Garfield County
- Shall foster a spirit of community values
- Shall promote the Western and agricultural heritage and history of Garfield County.

ROLL CALL - 6:30 P.M. Donna Marye, Leah Bergener, Kaitlyn Snyder, Oliviya Daugherty, Brackett Pollard, Levy Burris,

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS NOT ON THE AGENDA – 6:35 p.m.

Individuals may be limited to 5 minutes each.

REPORTS:

1. Beer Vendor for Fair -

- a. Levy discusses the history of the alcohol vendors throughout the years.
- b. Questions the Vendor have are answered.

Mike Whitt- What will happen to the previous vendor who pulled out?

Levy -Nothing, no penalty.

Katy Brady - Can we set up at the gate to check IDs?

Levy - We don't want the line to get backed up. We need a centralized location to check ID's.

John Hutchison- introduces Katie Brady to share what the Elks is all about.

Katie - We began in 1961, its a nationwide club investing in the community by helping local children, our vets and quality of life. We have over 200 members, faith based organization. We do events during the holidays and summer to help our community. We also offer scholarships and grants. What we make from this event will go back into the community.

John- We are here to help the community. We joined with Young Guns at Fair last year to help. Non- profits are here to make money, with that said, under the current contract we don't feel is fair to the non-profits. We need to pay the County \$11,000 to show up and work the Fair. We have to get a liquor license in by June 20th, we are all in a bind. Here is our proposal.

- We propose we pay 5% of the net sales instead of the \$6000 rental fee.
 - (We did \$16,000 of sales at Rifle Rendezvous, we made about \$14,000)
- 2500 VIP tickets, you pay us \$1.50 per ticket.

Katie Brady - What does Fair look like this year?

Levy - We decided to move the Fair back to August in regards to 4H having more time for their animals and growing vegetables to make a more traditional Fair. We did lose the carnival, but in doing so we are creating an entertaining midway. We do have events Tuesday to Saturday.

Levy- Will you provide drink tickets?

Katie- Yes

Alieen- Will it be all tickets, or only VIP tickets?

Levy- All tickets

Yvonne- We had a great flow at RR.

Aileen- We need an identifiable ticket for VIP.

Levy- You said \$1.50 per drink, is that for every type of drink?

Tracy- Yes, Highest price at RR was Truly's at \$1.54.

Leah- What will you be selling?

Aileen- Modelo, Coors, Coors Light, Truly, Twisted teas, Canned margaritas. 12oz.

Donna makes a motion to accept the Elks proposal of 5% net sales, and the 2500 VIP tickets will be paid by the Fair at \$1.50.

Leah seconds. Board approves.

2. Other Business -

Levy- A Sponsor said they didn't get their full benefits last year, Levy offered to give them 2 \$1500 sponsorship packets for the price of one?

Kaitlyn makes a motion to accept Williams Clear water request for 2 \$1500 sponsorships to offset the lack of benefits last year.

Leah seconds.

Board approves.

Leah- Tablecloths for VIP > Valley Cleaners will do in-kind for \$2500.

Oliviya makes a motion to accept Valley Cleaners for VIP table clothes for an in-kind

sponsorship of \$2500.
Kaitlyn seconds.
Board Approves.

BOARD COMMENTS: Levy- Wants everyone to make sure their voice is being heard.

ADJOURNMENT: 8:08pm

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