

Oregon Country Fair Path Planning Committee April 19, 2020

Virtual/ZOOM Meeting held due to COVID -19 pandemic stay at home order.

Members in attendance: Dean, Colleen, Paxton, Otis, Kirk, Jon, Spirit, Sue, Sylvia, Dennis
Excused- David Tipton

Staff: Shane, Crystalyn

Guests: Ann, DJ, Krystal, Strommer and Renea from Water Crew

Scribe: Jennifer Gerrity

Minutes March 15, 2020 – **motion** made and seconded; minutes approved.
No public comments

Agenda has been voted on and approved.

Reports:

Staff – Shane has been working on a variety of issues. April 7th the commissioners meeting was held for Lane County on webcast. Land Use was directed to plan amendments to the code requiring NCU use and resulting loss. We don't have an ETA for their response.

Working with senators to amend NCU to not expire after a year to two years. Caretaker has been hired. Crystalyn is working on ways to be more virtual and stay connected. Site is closed.

BOD Liaisons - Paxton reports that all spending has ceased including capital projects, accrued expenses etc. Looking at revising the budget with much more limited income. No firm decision has been made about the Fair at this time. There are land use concerns in dealing with the non-conforming use permit and in maintaining this. No spending. All projects on hold waiting on lawyers and the County. An extension will be granted for this year for meeting NCU requirements. Path Planning should plan for a year of vacation from the site and how to adapt. Crystalyn secured approval for CARES fund.

Subcommittee Reports -Smoking – have not met--looking for clarity on the Sauna smoking area. (Per the March Minutes the area was NOT voted on to be removed and should be on the May agenda) Paxton will get together with the subcommittee group and form a motion.

Ann is concerned on what pressure closing Sauna smoking will put on Arch park smoking and to consider the impact on other areas. Kirk says there's a smoking area at Pike's Place that can handle overflow. Jon would like notification of the committee meetings.

Spirit requests attention be made to the main stage smoking area. **Motion** *Kirk moves to accept, Paxton seconds- voted to pass the report*

Cultural Resources- Jon let the group know that Terry took maps and files to copy and return to archive. This month work on increasing resources and then meet in May and work through the summer.

Colleen reminds the subcommittees to please meet and offer group reports.

Committee Liaisons:

LUMP- Dennis states the meeting was cancelled and with the budget freeze their efforts are on hold until fall on grey water study.

Mapping – Brent reports that Rosanna is making the GIS layer a clickable booth map, pending other stakeholders' input. Crystalyn would like Brent to connect with her after the meeting. Jon would like a cultural resources layer under mapping.

Peach Power Paxton states its on hold due to budget pause.

Safer Fair – Spirit reports the Spring meeting will include external security training with White Bird. Recording the training.

Committee Best Practices – Sue said the meetings are ongoing with a Board report in May.

Homework Reports (from March: each committee member review SUP and NCU):

Workplan Review: Covid impact on our meeting schedule was discussed and planning to continue with virtual meetings thought the summer and will confirm at each meeting for the next. Kirk would like to talk about a virtual Fair and Path Planning's role in that. Also concerned about booth upkeep.

Motion Sue moved "to continue to meet virtually through the summer until physical meetings can resume"- Sylvia seconded- vote passed the Motion.

Approve work plan for 2020-21 will occur in May

Shane said that crew leaders will be contacted for suggestions for work plans through the summer.

Old business:

Handwash station locations were discussed with Renea, Krystal and Stommer from water crew. The current hard lined stations included nine in the Figure Eight accessible to the public, and another seven in specific locations such as Childcare, Little Wing, water tower etc. Renea suggest additional stations be added at Pooh Corner, Graceland, Peace Parker, the Junction, Chase Gardens, Morning Wood, dining room in Xavanadu and Alice's off of the well . Adding 19 new stations would double what is in place. Increasing the public access units to 17. A variety of off grid handwashing stations are spread through the grounds. Adding 8-9 to South Woods and Miss Piggy's could be easy and effective.

Filtering rainwater would be a pipe dream down the road.

Sue requests to share preliminary report with Food Committee. Renea agrees to this.

Moving drinking fountain at the Junction should go on water crew's list per Paxton as it causes problems with the smoking area. The rentals are limiting and run out of supplies. Use of large tanks is possible in the future.

DJ- says digging is not possible at the Junction.

Kirk- suggests location at Elders and Zenn barn.

Jon – requests a formal map of these locations and believe the stations are key to holding Fair.

Working on research for a charcoal filter handwashing station design.

Shane- embraces the plan and working together.

Spirit-sanitizing is also a concern

Colleen – water buffalo to take up wastewater

Crystalyn – water trucked on site 420K gal - the volume is large

Paxton- Food booths in Xavanadu are using bladders for gray water. Would like to join Water Crew discussions.

Crystalyn- all food booths except for Café Mam are on grey water tanks or dry wells.

Shane- 124K gallons of grey water pumped, 17k gallons of human waste, 617k gallons trucked in 7 weeks 2019.

Sauna uses an additional 320K gal of water disposed in pits and off site.

Permits affecting Long Range Plan:

SUP (special use permit) has nothing to do with the main event, but covers the picnic, the cross-country race and everything else that gets held on site. It is restrictive.

NCU (non-conforming use permit) allows the event to be held – covers pre-fair and tear down. Restricted from expanding outside of the activity area displayed in the map.

Reverification of the NCU would be required to open up these zones and that is being avoided due to various issues. Expansion allowance is unlikely. Established on the 1980's and last reverified in the 1990's.

Temporary campground permits are gained in addition for Zenn Achers, Alice's, Marshal's Landing, Far Side, etc.

A scaled down version of the Fair is part of current planning to meet requirements.

Other times are also being discussed but very complicated and can't happen during fire season.

A discussion occurred on various Fair options.

Growth rate discussion pushed off until May.

Potential locations for growth- Kirk started the discussion with the recycling dock traffic as a consideration. Re-using Main Camp has been a mention for redevelopment. Security Peninsula as well. Path behind the Caravan stage can be extended and is available. Miss Piggy's is the big area- the parking area is in our activity zone.

Most agree that the primary opportunity is Miss Piggy's though this area is occupied by campers. The site expansion that has happened already has contributed to the dust problem.

What is worth of study right now? As other areas as stopgap that may not need a LRP .

- Miss Piggy's
- Bus turn around at Front of Fair

- Fire show area as an entertainment space
- Replacement of Upper River Loop is most pressing need – Xavanadu was the planned solution.

Homework Review

Smoking Subcommittee to recommend a motion for vote

Dean and Colleen to come up with work plan

Cultural resources to hold a meeting

SUP to send to the committee

Spirit video of training and communicate with Kirk on that

Meeting Evaluation

Dean- different format today with Zoom than Go-to. Seems better but some got booted off.

Paxton liked Zoom better.

Next meeting May 17, 2020, Noon-3:00 Via Zoom