

Garfield County Fair Board Agenda and Meeting Minutes

Meeting location: Garfield County Administration Building, 108 8th Street, Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

Date and time: Tuesday, July 21, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

Remote attendance: Join by Zoom using Meeting ID 932 5887 1961 and Passcode 597130.

Zoom meeting address:

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Mission

The purpose of the Fair Board, in collaboration with Garfield County Administration, is to ensure the successful promotion, production, and execution of the Fair each year. The Fair Board shall ensure Fair programming is high quality and improves annually, as needed.

- 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

Time: 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Leah Bergener, Dean Perkins, Kaitlyn Snyder, Oliviya Daugherty, and Scott Schilts.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comments From Citizens Not on the Agenda

Time: 6:05 p.m. Individuals may be limited to five minutes each.

Approval of Minutes

Leah made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 7, 2026, regular meeting. Scott seconded the motion. The Board approved the minutes.

Reports

Fair Partners, Programs, and Committees

Royalty

- Four girls came to try out.
- Royalty will be crowned at the Family Rodeo.
- The new group of girls will begin in September.
- The girls asked about attending a Royalty horsemanship clinic.
- Royalty will attend the Farmers Market this week.
- The current Royalty reign ends August 31.
- For Fair events, Royalty will pack flags at the beginning, and patterns will be in the middle of the event.

4-H, FFA, and CSU Extension

- Two weeks of shooting sports were completed.
- The cake decorating contest is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on July 22.
- The horse show is scheduled for this weekend.
- The dog show is scheduled for next Wednesday.
- The Poultry Show is scheduled for August 3 at 8:00 a.m.
- The Department of Corrections will be on site Monday through Thursday to help with setup. No one under age 18 may put up banners until after 5:00 p.m.

Open Exhibits

- Entries are coming in this week.
- Volunteers are signing up.
- The Apple Pie Day exhibit will be in Open Class.

Livestock Marketing Committee

- The Livestock Marketing Committee held a superintendent meeting and completed the barn layout.
- A family meeting is scheduled for July 28 to prepare families for Fair.

Car Show

- Levy is good.
- Help is needed to set up canopies.
- Car show vendors include kettle corn and ice cream.

Colorado River Valley Chamber of Commerce Parade

Forty floats are registered.

City of Rifle

No update was recorded.

National Anthem Singers

All national anthem singers have been contacted and will receive general admission tickets for entry.

Subcommittee Updates

Kickoff Events

No update was recorded.

Midway

- The generator and telehandler will be delivered on July 31.
- A secondary water truck has been found.
- There are 13 food vendors.
- There are four merchants.

VIP

- Soda is needed.
- A pallet of water is needed.
- Tablecloths are clean and in the connex.
- The tent will go up Monday, August 3, with tables and chairs.
- Mountain Tree Farm is scheduled for Monday.
- Bison Bar trailers will be delivered Sunday.
- VIP tent decorating is scheduled for Monday night.
- Bar setup is needed.

Sponsorship

- Tickets and meal tickets are expected to arrive on July 23.
- Coins will be used as food vouchers.
- All Terrain will drop off side-by-sides on July 24.
- All banners are due by Friday.
- Banners will go up throughout the week.
- Royalty and 4-H kids may help after 5:00 p.m. on weekdays.
- Leah will begin hanging banners this weekend, and the Board will finish next week.

Family Rodeo, PRCA, and Demo Derby Events

- The Family Rodeo contract is still waiting to be signed.

- Tuesday: Dean will read the Hall of Fame script after introducing the County Commissioners. The Board is on track by 6:30 p.m.
- Tuesday also includes crowning the new Royalty.
- Wednesday is Tough Enough to Wear Pink night.
- Thursday is Veterans and In Memoriam night. The Board discussed whether there will be a riderless horse.

Safety, Security, and Risk Management

- Officers will be available.
- Last call for alcohol is 10:00 p.m. on Wednesday and 10:30 p.m. on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday.
- People panels will be available.
- A safety meeting is scheduled for Thursday morning after the morning meeting.
- Food tokens for security will be available. See Kelsy.
- Morning meetings for Board members are scheduled at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday.

Parade

- The Board will ride with Perry in his carriage.
- Swag, fairbooks, and tickets will be available.
- Columbine Ford will allow use of a truck for the weekend.
- Golf carts must be picked up from Columbine Ford. Two four-seat golf carts are needed.

Concert

- Two recreational vehicles are confirmed so far.
- Two additional recreational vehicles are needed.
- Perry and Leah have contacts.

Volunteers

Additional help is needed for setup and breakdown.

County Staff

County Administration

No update was recorded.

Fairgrounds and Events Administration

- Volunteers are especially needed for the general admission entrance.
- Only Board members are allowed to drive side-by-sides and golf carts.
- The Board should consider a plan to add one more entry point for concert night.

Board Comments

- **Oliviya:** Please wear pink on Tough Enough to Wear Pink night.
- **Dean:** Thank you to everyone for everything you are doing. This is going to be a good fair.
- **Scott:** Appreciate all the work everyone is doing during the final two weeks.
- **Leah:** Excited for this year. Leah will be gone next Tuesday through Friday and will be working during Fair week, but will be there by 4:30 p.m. Kelly and Sadie will be available to help.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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