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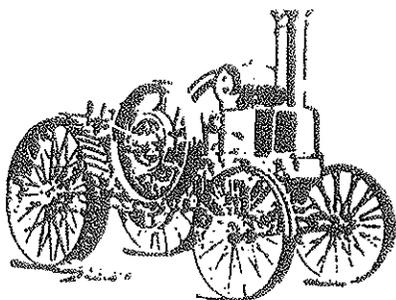
Phone: 452-7688  
Date: December 20, 2012  
To: Parks & Community Services Board  
From: AnnaMarie Solomonson, Community Services Supervisor  
Subject: Kelsey Creek Farm Hay Wagon Request

NW Vintage Tractor Club member Bill Rahr attended the Parks & Community Services Board meeting on June 12 and requested the purchase of an additional hay wagon for use by the NW Vintage Tractor Club during the Kelsey Creek Farm Sheep Shearing and Farm Fair special events. Mr. Rahr subsequently attended the November 2012 meeting to report on the success of the Kelsey Creek Farm Fair that was held on October 13. Park Board members asked for an update regarding Mr. Rahr's original request.

The NW Tractor Club utilizes two hay wagons to provide tractor pulled wagon rides for Farm Fair and Sheep Shearing participants. Mr. Rahr's concerns were the long lines and wait times that participants experienced. Currently two wagons are used for this popular activity.

Staff spoke with both Mr. Rahr and with Vaughan Parker, Club President of NW Vintage Tractors to better understand Mr. Rahr's concerns and discuss a variety of options. As an additional hay wagon would receive minimal use at the farm other than the two special events, and covered storage for an additional wagon is not available at the site, the option of renting a wagon was explored as well as the cost of purchasing one.

The NW Vintage Tractor Club and staff created a shorter tractor route for the events this year which reduced the waiting line for participants. Participants are welcome to access the wagon rides multiple times during the event. Mr. Parker and staff concluded that two wagons are adequate for the wagon rides at the Sheep Shearing and Farm Fair special events at this time. Staff will continue to work with the NW Vintage Tractor Club to monitor the situation and brainstorm further ways to reduce participant wait times.



## NORTHWEST VINTAGE IRON CLUB

*Early Day Gas Engine & Tractor Association. Branch 36*

Dear Heidi Cox and Kelsey Creek employees,

On behalf of the NWVI club we would like to thank you for the very kind card and years of appreciation. We are so very pleased to be involved with all of your COB events. Our vintage iron club thrives because of the events we participate in and we truly enjoy providing entertainment for others.

We would just like to confirm our involvement in the upcoming events at Kelsey Creek, for years to come. I know committing to many years of involvement is futuristic planning but without your festivities, our club would be struggling to find other local events to participate in. You have allowed us to reach out to so many people, to share our passion of history, old iron and tractors. Continuing our involvement with Kelsey Creek will allow our club to thrive as we do today. We hope our relationship stays strong and if you need anything our club will be ready and willing to help.

Sincerely,

NWVI Secretary

Ryan Lichttenegger