

Minutes of the **LETHBRIDGE COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION** held on **January 16th, 2020** at 5:00pm with the following attendance:

PRESENT: Member, Chair	B. Jeannotte
Member	S Penich
Member	A Parker
Member	P Davis
Member	J Egger
Member	G Rhodenizer
Member	J James

OTHERS: City of Lethbridge	T Grindle
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ABSENT: Member	G Carscadden
Member	D McFalls
Member	D Knorr

1) Welcome – Call to Order

2) Acknowledgement Statement

3) Election of Officers: DULY elected and appointed as noted.

- **Election of Chairman – Bryan Jeannotte (by acclamation)**
- **Election of Vice Chairman – Scott Penich (by acclamation)**
- **Recognition of appointment of Executive Director – Travis Grindle (by City Manager)**

4) Approval of Minutes

J Egger/G Rhodenizer

THAT the minutes of December 18th, 2019 be approved.

----- **CARRIED**

5) Approval of Agenda

G Rhodenizer/P Davis

THAT the agenda be approved with additions of 17 a and b.

----- **CARRIED**

6) Approval of Line-Up for *Fight Night 12* (Jan. 25/20)

Review and discussion regarding proposed lineup card.

A Parker/P Davis

THAT the lineup card as presented with confirmation of medical requirements.

----- **CARRIED**

7) Approval of Officials Fees and Lineup

Scott provided a slate of officials and corresponding fees for *Fight Night 12*.

S Penich/A Parker

THAT the referee fees and travel expenses for David Braslow and Herb Dean be approved totalling no more than \$5000.

----- CARRIED

J James/P Davis

THAT the proposed roster of Officials and corresponding fees be approved for Fight Night 12.

----- CARRIED

8) Clinic Bare Knuckle Boxing Officials Clinic (D. Braslow)

Scheduled for Jan 25th at Nicholas Sheran Community Centre.

9) New Rules & Regulations Package Updates

ACTION: Website to be updated.

10. Stakeholders Survey

Over two dozen respondents. City to gather results and review.

11. Permit Fee Increase (Previously Tabled)

Further discussion from November, to await Stakeholder Engagement Survey completion – no further action

12. K-O Boxing Request

Correspondence received – no action required

13. Annual Report

Travis to seek clarification on timelines for submission. Bryan to begin work.

14. Canadian Wrestling's Elite Spring Tour (May 16/20)

For information.

15. Pure Power Wrestling Report (Dec. 28/19)

- as received

16. Upcoming Events

- a. Fight Night 12 – Enmax Center (Jan. 25/20)
- b. Pure Power Wrestling – German Canadian Club (Jan. 25/20)

17. Other Business

- a) Member photos
- b) RITC 63 – application received.

18. Date of Next Meeting – February 19th; City Hall, 5pm

19. Adjournment – 7:45pm

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	Member	A Parker
	Member	P Davis
	Member	J Egger
	Member	G Rhodenizer
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ABSENT:	Member	G Carscadden
	Member	D McFalls
	Member	D Knorr

1) Welcome – Call to Order; Acknowledgement Statement

2) Welcome Guest – R. Westerson (City Clerk’s Office) w regrets Ryan was unable to attend.

3) Approval of Agenda

J James/J Egger

THAT the agenda be approved.

----- **CARRIED**

4) Approval of Minutes

P Davis/G Rhodenizer

THAT the minutes of January 16th, 2020 be approved.

----- **CARRIED**

5) Boards, Commissions, Committees Report

BCC Day’ scheduled on April 27, 2020 at the Community Issues Committee (CIC) meeting. This meeting provides a mechanism for the BCCs to report to Council. Received as information.

6) *Fight Night 12* Report & Recommendations

Scott provided a summary of the event areas for event improvement including; timeline for submission of lineups, event radio communication, appointment of a head dressing room inspector, and importance for Commission members to review event processes prior to event.

7) *Rumble in the Cage 63* – Rules for Combative Sports

G Rhodenizer/J James

THAT the proposed rule set for Combat Jiu Jitsu be approved.

----- **CARRIED**

J Egger/J James

THAT the proposed rule set for Super Boxing be approved.

----- CARRIED

J James/A Parker

THAT the proposed rule set for Bareknuckle Boxing be approved.

----- DEFEATED

ACTION – S Penich to propose the bareknuckle boxing rule set previously approved by the Commission.

8) Bare Knuckle Boxing Rules/Event Stipulations

Commission to communicate the following stipulations/conditions for a RITC 63 bareknuckle boxing match to be included in the event, as derived from previous event stipulations;

- (1) 40+ year old combatants are permitted conditional to regular medical requirements for 'high risk' combatants.
- (2) Event must employ an experienced professional boxing referee.
- (3) (2) paramedics must be on site
- (4) All combatants subject to mandatory (12) day suspension
- (5) Combatants must have experienced a minimum of (3) professional boxing matches.
- (6) The event card must not contain more than (3) total bareknuckle matches.

9) Clinic Bare Knuckle Boxing Officials Clinic (D. Braslow)

Due to travel delays, D Braslow was unable to deliver the proposed clinic on bare knuckle boxing. The Commission is to explore other options for this training opportunity.

10) Review Commission Event Procedures; Confirmation of rules

1. No modifications to mouth guards permissible – to be checked at weigh-in.
2. No event volunteers in Cage unless absolutely necessary.
3. Review of equipment checklist and Commission supplies after each event.
4. Debrief to occur prior to event start at ringside to address issues.
5. Identified need for Chief Dressing Room Inspector position.
6. No cell phones by any persons in the corners.
7. Members reminded to not be photographer despite being asked.
8. Members reminded to review duty lists prior to event.

11) COMMAND Course Request (J. Koshman)

July 10-12 in Las Vegas

S Penich/A Parker

THAT the Commission reimburse Josh Koshman the cost of the registration for the COMMAND Course (\$1,703.63).

----- CARRIED

12) Pure Power Wrestling – 2020 Permit

Finalized permit granted; application and insurance received and approved

13) Waivers Re: Pro Wrestlers, Volunteers, Medical Personal

Waivers need to be collected annually; Travis to discuss and confirm with Legal

14) Stakeholders Survey Update – Survey has closed/Sport Council compiling results/ to be submitted to Recreation and Culture

15) Financial Statement – received as information

16) Upcoming Events

A. Alta High School Wrestling Tournament – LCI (Feb. 28-29/20)

B. Pure Power Wrestling – German Canadian Club (Feb. 29/20)

17) Other Business - None

18) Next Meeting – March 25th, 5pm City Hall

19) Adjournment - 805pm

Minutes of the **LETHBRIDGE COMBATIVE SPORTS COMMISSION** held on **October 6, 2020** at 6:00pm with the following attendance:

PRESENT:	Member, Chair	B Jeannotte
	Member	S Penich
	Member	R Heavyhead
	Member	P Davis
	Member	J Egger
	Member	D McFalls
	Member	J James
OTHERS:	City of Lethbridge	T Grindle
ABSENT:	Member	G Carscadden
	Member	G Rhodenizer
	Member	D Knorr
	Member	A Parker

1) Welcome – Call to Order; Acknowledgement Statement

2) Approval of Agenda

J James/D McFalls

THAT the agenda be approved.

----- **CARRIED**

3) Approval of Minutes

Minutes of February 19th, 2020 be approved at November meeting.

4) Relaunch of Combative Sports

- a. Meetings with Provincial Government – Bryan is participating in a Provincial working group, chaired by John Barbour of the Ministry of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women. The role of the working group is establish protocols and guidelines for the return to combative sport events.
- b. Development of a Process & Protocol – Commission members unanimously support a Provincial wide approach to return to play protocols.
- c. Role of the City – Travis stressed the role of the Commission to approve technical aspects of combative sport. The City supports the idea of provincial protocols.
- d. Bryan to draft a letter to update local stakeholders on the Provincial working group and ongoing conversations for a safe and efficient return to competition.

5) Promoters Requests for Events

- a) Inquiries from local promotions – inquiries received from Brad Wall and Tom Fiddler
- b) **In-House Tournaments – *Smokers***; ongoing issue, technically non event. Fighter safety remains largest concern.
- c) **Future Requests Under Pandemic Restrictions** – until such time as Provincial protocols are established and combative sports are approved under Stage 3, event permit applications are not accepted.

- 6) **Rumble in the Cage Inquiry & Response** (Special Session Mar 17/20) – Response letter forwarded.
- 7) **Future Attending Physicians – Commission looking to expand and confirm stable of available ringside physicians and medical advisors.**
- 8) **Commission Training Refresher Session – to be scheduled in late November or December**
- 9) **Commission Functions – Administrative – Update on correspondence provided by Chair.**
 - a. **Matrix/Chart Re: Duties & Responsibilities** (To City Clerk)
 - b. **Assessment & Evaluation of Members** (To City Clerk)
 - c. **Meeting with City Council – Community Issues Report** (Sept. 14/20)
- 10) **Reports**
 - a. **2019 Annual Report** (Submitted to City Clerk)
 - b. **Annual Report Summary** (Submitted to City Clerk)
 - c. **Pure Power Wrestling** (4 Reports: June, July, Aug, Sept)
 - d. **Presiding Skills Workshop Report** (July 29/20)
- 11) **Stakeholders Survey – Travis to provide Summary to Commission members**
- 12) **Financial**
 - a. **COMMAND Course Reimbursement** (J. Koshman) – Refund received
 - b. **Z Promotions Account update**
 - c. **Rumble in the Cage Refund**
S Penich/P Davis

THAT the Commission refund the permit fees of \$500 to Rumble in the Cage for postponed event for Fall 2019 and cancelled April 2020 event (due to COVID).

----- CARRIED
 - d. **Commission Financial Statement**
- 13) **Upcoming Events**
 - a. **Pure Power Wrestling – PPW Training Facility** (Oct. 24/20)
- 14) **Other Business - None**
- 15) **Next Meeting – TBD**
- 16) **Adjournment**