



LARIMER COUNTY
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
EXTENSION

Extension Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda

September 4, 2019
8am – 10am

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AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PUBLIC COMMENT:
3. INTRODUCTIONS: New Board member Richard Tingey, new 4-H Livestock Agent Brittani Kirkland
4. AGENDA REVIEW:
5. APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING MINUTES:
6. INFORMATION ITEMS: (10 minutes, highlights)
 - a) Upcoming Larimer Extension [classes and programs](#)
 - b) By laws have been submitted for adoption to the Board of County Commissioners for 9/3
 - c) Updated Advisory Committee List (in Google Drive)
 - d) Eagles hockey tickets and the Larimer County Suite at The Ranch
 - e) **4-H**: (Megan, Pam, Diane and Toby)
 - There were 3,827 4-H entries at the 2019 Fair. Overall, horse numbers were down because of the VS virus.
 - There were 2 protests at Fair in the Swine and Sheep departments
 - f) **Horticulture and Farmers' Market** (Alison & Emily):
 - Horticulture:
 - The hot weather has led to turf issues (mostly irrigation) and an increase in tomato problems.
 - Japanese beetle has been found in many parts of Fort Collins; not as much in Loveland. No detection (as of now) in Windsor.
 - Emerald ash borer has been confirmed in Broomfield; only adult insects were found, but not infested trees. This does not change our county protocols around this insect at this time.

- Many reports of chlorosis in trees (yellowing); likely due to overwatering or the very wet spring.
- The Master Gardener application for the 2020 training will be online! Larimer and Arapahoe counties will be piloting the online form. The application should be available by mid-September.
- The CSU Annual Trial Evaluation day was Tuesday, August 6. Over a dozen Master Gardeners provided evaluation feedback on hundreds of cultivars of plants and had to pick the “best of” from the garden.
- The Master Gardener Tomato Trial will be having a tasting on Friday, September 20. The purpose of the trial is to determine the best tomatoes, for both growing and eating, for home gardeners to grow in northern Colorado. Results will be available this fall.
- Larimer County Farmers’ Market
 - Overall, sales are up 12% from 2018.
 - Market Days! for Older Adults has been a success, with 93 participants to date, who have purchased \$1,145 in fruits and vegetables from market vendors. We have received funding from Aetna (\$1000) and AARP (\$4000)—vendors are reimbursed for Market Days vouchers with these funds. This program is targeted to low income older adults to increase fruit and vegetable intake and decrease social isolation by attending the market. Vouchers (worth \$20/each) are being distributed through an additional 10 partners.
 - Upcoming events include the Produce Drive (September 7), the Market’s Gone to the Dogs (September 21), Extension Health and Wellness (October 5), and the Harvest Festival (October 26).
 - As the Fort Collins population grows, we’re facing continuing parking and safety issues surrounding the market. We are working with Jay Callaghan, county safety manager, to create an emergency plan and increase safety measures.
- g) **Food & Nutrition** (Edie, Amanda)
 - Edie will be retiring at the end of the month! A small “until-we-meet-again” has been planned. We are currently working on combining and replacing the position.
- h) **Community Development** (Sue & Lisa):
 - The Senior Access Points team will be hosting the next Ambassador training on Sept. 17, 1:30 – 4:30 pm at the Fort Collins Senior Center. Ambassador volunteers help spread the word about aging-related resources. Please take a flyer, sign up to be an ambassador (contact Sue at sdschneider@larimer.org), and help spread the word. Check out LarimerSeniors.org!
 - We are getting ready to launch the next 6-week program for grandparents raising grandchildren. Powerful Tools for Caregivers – Grandfamilies and the GRANDcares Youth Club (for children ages 9-12) will kick off on Aug. 28th. The program will run on Wednesdays from 5:30 – 7:30 pm with dinner provided at 5pm at Mt. View Presbyterian Church in Loveland. Please take a flyer and help us get the word out.

7. STAFF PRESENTATION – Food Safety Works and Certified Food Protection Manager Program – Amanda Johnston, Extension Coordinator, Food Safety Education

8. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION:

- Community Assessment update and discussion – Alyssa from IRISS
- Extension booth at Fair – Kathy - what worked, what didn't
 - See the Fair Booth Notes document in the shared drive
- Showcase is coming- Kathy – what does it look like for 2019?

7. OTHER BUSINESS: Trends and issues you see in the community to share? Other items?

8. NEXT MEETING SCHEDULED: November 6, 8am – 10am