

Colorado Independent CattleGrower's Association
Monthly Meeting
7:30 MST
April 20, 2015

1. **Call to order:** President Wil Bledsoe called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.
2. **Roll Call Directors& Guests:** Directors present were Mack Louden, Dr. John Maulsby, Curt Werner and Tom Robb. Officers present were President Wil Bledsoe, Secretary Cody Jolly, Treasurer Janell Reid and past presidents, Gerald Schreiber, Kimmi Lewis and John Reid. Directors and past presidents not present were Lorene Bonds, Jerry Koskie, Don Gittleson, and Paul Schmucker. Guests present Bill Bullard and Sarah Nuss.
3. **Minutes of previous meeting:** President Wil Bledsoe asked if anyone had any corrections to make to the February meeting minutes. Janell Reid had a correction under the roll call to remove the extra Totsy and to her name under new business. Janell Reid made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected. Mack Louden seconded. Motion Carried.
4. **Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Janell Reid reviewed the March treasurer's report. Dr. John Maulsby made a motion to accept the treasure's report. Tom Robb seconded. Motion Carried.
5. **R-CALF:** Bill Bullard with R-CALF discussed the Beef Checkoff working group Moratorium of Understanding (MOU), Country of Origin Labeling (COOL) March 25 meeting, R-CALF is having a call in day May 6, 2015 to encourage the White House to support COOL and sustainable beef.
6. **Lobbyist Report:** Tom Robb made a motion to oppose SB 212. Janell Reid seconded. Motion Carried.
7. **Membership Report:** Sarah Nuss CICA Media Coordinator has the spring newsletter ready to send out but was waiting for it to return from the printer. Sarah mentioned that

she would like our organization to find someone to take over the media coordinator position now that she has a full time job.

Old Business

- a) **Pinion Canyon/Southeast Colorado Private Property:** Kimmi Lewis helped the Southeast Colorado Private Property Rights group host two meetings in March to update people on Colorado Preservation INC trying to file with the national register historic places in Southeast Colorado.
- b) **Convention (July 17-18):** The raffle first place item will be a gun and second place will be a fire pit. Dr. Michael Kaufman and Jim Carlson were suggested as keynote speakers on private property rights. Janell Reid made a motion to get Dr. Michael Kaufman and Jim Carlson as keynote speakers. Mack Loudon seconded. Motion Carried. Janell Reid is going to reserve a block of rooms at the Holiday Inn located in La Junta with a room rate of \$83 she also is getting bids on lunch.
- c) **Sustainability Round Table:**
- d) **Intern:** Janel Reid has received one application so far.
- e) **Other:** Kimmi Lewis reported that Marty Canterbury talked to a lot of people at the Four States Ag Expo and thought it was positive for the organization.

8) New Business

- a. **Silent Auction Items:** President Wil Bledsoe wanted to remind everyone to get silent and live auction items. Wil also encouraged everyone to go get business sponsorships also.
- b. **Coalition for Safe and Affordable Food:** President Wil Bledsoe had been contacted by an individual from the group wanting our support. Janell Reid had spoken with an individual with the group and liked what they are trying to accomplish. Janell Reid made a motion to sign on

with the Coalition for Safe and Affordable Food. Cody Jolly seconded.

Motion Carried.

- c. **Grazing Rate Round Table:** The final report was going to be given at the April state land board meeting but was postponed till additional information is gathered.
 - d. **Other New Business:** None
 - e. **Officer and Director Reports:** The officers and directors reported on the weather and their operations.
- 9) **Adjourn:** Meeting Adjourned at 9:13 p.m. The next meeting will be May 18th.